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### **Austin Health's Annual Report 2008-09 is now available**

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"During the financial year of 2008-09, Austin Health treated the largest number of patients in its 127-year history," said Dr Brendan Murphy, Chief Executive Officer.

"Our dedicated staff responded to increasing demands while ensuring patient care, service delivery, efficiency and quality remained priorities."

Our achievements during 2008-09 included:

- The performance of 21,000 surgical procedures, an 18 per cent increase over last year.
- Austin Hospital's Emergency Department treated 60,000 people, an eight per cent increase over last year and an increase of 47 per cent since 2005.
- We treated a record 89,668 in-patients and 155,538 out-patients.
- NH&MRC research grants exceeded \$7 million and helped to support research that rated on the world scale.
- We opened The Surgery Centre, a dedicated elective-only facility that enabled the reduction of our elective surgery waiting list by 22 per cent compared to the previous year.