



KDHS chief executive Peter Abraham and GV Imaging CEO Stavros Dodos with the new CT Scan unit at Kyabram Hospital.

New CT scanner and lab opens in Kyabram

Kyabram residents now have access to state-of-the-art computer technology which produces a three-dimensional image of the internal structures of the human body.

The new Goulburn Valley Imaging Group CT unit, which began operating at Kyabram Hospital on Monday, is part of the hospital's new radiology lab facilities, which also opened on Monday, and offer a broad range of services including CT scans, Ultrasound, OPG, X-ray and after-hours X-ray.

Kyabram District Health Service executive officer Peter Abraham said the new CT imaging service would be a valuable addition to the diagnostic imaging services available to the community.

"The establishment of a CT service for Kyabram will provide added support and surety to the clinical decision making processes of our clinical team," he said.

"This will result in an ability to better manage their patients locally."

Up until now residents did not have fast access to a medical imaging service, with a needs analysis conducted by KDHS in 2012 indicating that local doctors sent an average of five referrals for the service per day which forced residents to travel to other regional centres.

CEO of GVIG Stavros Dodos said the new unit reflects GVIG's ongoing commitment to delivering modern medical facilities to local communities within the Goulburn Valley.

"These new facilities will ensure regional patients can have local access to a broad range of radiology services and have a service that will expand to meet future demands of a growing community," he said.