



## Sid Sidebottom MP ... for a fair go in Braddon

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### **Pilot to join up health networks**

Health in the North West will be the big winner from a pilot project to join up health networks in the region says the Federal Member for Braddon Sid Sidebottom.

Mr Sidebottom said he was very pleased to see Minister for Health Nicola Roxon allocate \$1.2 million in last week's Federal Budget to the project – a joint initiative of General Practice North West, the Cradle Coast Authority and UTAS Rural Clinical School.

“I congratulate the three groups on their efforts, and the benefits of the project have obviously been recognised by the Minister,” Mr Sidebottom said.

“When they first came to me with the concept I was very excited and could see the potential for the region immediately.

“It will play an important part in streamlining services for people who need treatment in our region, and maybe beyond.

“Most importantly health providers can spend more time dealing with the health of patients rather than worrying about paperwork.

“And better communications will mean better health outcomes.”

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