

News and Views

from Alliance Medical Transport

Air Care • Mobile Care



Welcome to the introductory issue of *News and Views*, a newsletter especially designed for you by Alliance Medical Transport Service (AMTS). AMTS is the umbrella organization that encompasses both air (Air Care) and ground (Mobile Care) medical transport services and serves the Greater Cincinnati area. This issue is your “sneak peak” of what will later become a full-size newsletter.

Our vision for *News and Views* is to provide an open channel of communication for health care professionals who handle the unique challenges of transferring patients – whether it’s from the scene of an accident or from one hospital to another. It’s another way we support the community with whom we partner. We want to make this publication informative and fun, so please send your comments and suggestions for future articles via e-mail to the *News and Views* editor, Matt Gunderman, R.N., E.M.T.-P., at gundermt@healthall.com.

For the most effective and timely delivery, our goal is to electronically distribute *News and Views*, when possible. If you would like us to email this newsletter to you, please send an e-mail request to Matt or call him at 513-584-0963, and hit option three.

About Alliance Medical Transport Service (AMTS)

AMTS has provided the Greater Cincinnati area with specialized medical transport services for patients in our community for nearly 25 years. Seven years ago, the Health Alliance combined the experience of Christ Mobile Care (formed in 1982 with the first ground mobile intensive care unit in the area) with University Mobile Care and University Air Care (formed in 1984 as the first air medical service in the tri-state). Together they became Alliance Medical Transport Service with a staff of 140 employees, 2 helicopters from Omni Flight, nine ambulances, and one state-of-the-art communication/dispatch center.

Our mission is to provide excellence by delivering multi-disciplined, safe, high-quality patient care through the continuum of inter-facility and scene medical transports. Our vision is to be the recognized leader in patient transport. We started on the road of accomplishing that vision when AMTS became only the second service in the nation to be certified by the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Services (CAMTS) in all four levels of medical transport: three levels of ground – basic life support, advanced life support and mobile intensive care– and one level of air transport via helicopter.

CAMTS is the highest standard by which medical transport services are measured and is similar to the Joint Commission oversight for hospitals. CAMTS has recognized our service for excellence in the areas of quality management and community service, to name a few. This continued recognition over the years by CAMTS and other similar agencies demonstrates our commitment to our patients, as well as our community.

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First Air Care & Mobile Care Photo/Video Contest

Alliance Medical Transport Service is excited to introduce its first annual photo contest. We're seeking dramatic pictures or video footage of Mobile Care, Air Care or your department in action.

Please send your images or videos to the *News and Views* editor, Matt Gunderman, R.N., E.M.T.-P. at gundermt@healthall.com. Contest ends Nov. 30. Winners will be featured in *News and Views*, and many of the photos will be placed on our Web sites www.AllianceMedicalTransport.org and www.TristateEMS.com.

Note: To adhere to medical privacy laws, written consent must be obtained for any photo or video containing identifiable images of patients. Please return completed attached consent form to Matt Gunderman via fax at 513-584-4539, or mail to him at Alliance Medical Transport, 3200 Burnet Avenue, Cincinnati, Ohio 45229. Images and video remain the property of the photographer.

By submitting images or video, you permit AMTS, University Hospital and the Health Alliance to utilize your images or photos for promotional and educational material without cost. Credit will be granted to the photographer.



Featured Articles

In our first full *News and Views* issue

- **Service Spotlight** - Independence Fire Department
We plan to highlight a different partner in each issue – from fire and EMS departments to cath labs, intensive care units and emergency departments.
- **Making a Difference**- Air Care helps save four lives with one flight
- **Happenings at University Hospital** - New referral center streamlines University Hospital transfers

Did You Know ...

- in 2005, Mobile Care drove 527,657 miles?
- Air Care used more than 70,000 gallons of fuel, with the helicopters consuming a gallon per minute?
- Air Care kept us flying with an average 25 years of pilot experience, 18 years of nursing experience and 3 years physician experience?
- Mobile Care keeps rolling with an average 17 years of EMT experience, 14 years of paramedic experience and 23 years of nursing experience?

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