



GRADY LAUNCHES EMERGENCY MEDICAL HELICOPTER IN PARTNERSHIP WITH AIR METHODS

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Grady Health System, home to Grady Memorial Hospital and one of the busiest trauma centers in the country, has taken a major step forward in emergency medical care with the launch of a new, state-of-the-art medical helicopter developed in partnership with Air Methods. Grady Air, one of the state's largest medical aircraft, can provide intensive care unit-level care to patients, allowing quicker access to life-saving trauma care throughout the Southeast.

This air ambulance will be staffed entirely by Grady medical personnel – highly trained nurses, paramedics, and critical care specialists – while experienced pilots from Air Methods will operate the aircraft. The partnership brings together top-tier medical care and aviation expertise to deliver life-saving interventions to patients faster than ever before.

Dr. Ryan Fransman, medical director of Grady Air at Grady Health System commented: "Time is of the essence when it comes to trauma care. Every minute we save in transporting a critically

injured patient to our trauma center increases their chance of survival. As Atlanta's only Level I trauma center, this new helicopter gives us the reach, speed, and medical capacity to make a real difference when every second counts."

Brandon Ryan, Vice President of Business Development at Air Methods stated: "As a company committed to delivering critical care when and where it's needed most, we're proud to partner with Grady on this vital initiative. This aircraft represents the future of air medical services in the region, combining unmatched clinical expertise with aviation excellence."

The helicopter is equipped with advanced life-support equipment and can accommodate multiple caregivers at once, allowing for the highest level of care during transport. It will serve metro Atlanta and beyond, ensuring quick access to Grady's nationally recognized trauma services.

Grady Air will provide emergency air medical services 24/7 and critical interfacility transports in metro Atlanta and the entire region to deliver life-saving care more quickly and efficiently. In addition to deploying its own aircraft, Grady Memorial Hospital will continue to receive medical aircraft from across the region, ensuring seamless coordination and rapid access to advanced trauma care for patients.



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