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Town of Miami renews Emergency Air Medical Membership Agreement with PHI Cares

- Initiative implemented by the Miami Town Council and Town Manager, Alexis Rivera to cover vital air medical transport for Town of Miami residents
- Medically Necessary air transports of PHI Cares members results in no out-of-pocket expenses for in-county or adjacent county pick-ups when flown by PHI Air Medical
- <u>Click here</u> for images of the PHI Air Medical helicopters protecting the Town of Miami

Town of Miami, AZ, November, 2024 – The Miami Town Council and Town Manager, Alexis Rivera, have approved the air medical agreement with <u>PHI Cares</u>, a division of <u>PHI Air Medical</u>, a leading U.S. helicopter-based medical transport provider. Local residents requiring authorized emergency air medical transport from Town of Miami or its adjacent county, Gila County, will benefit from no out-of-pocket expenses when utilizing PHI Air Medical thanks to the agreement. The municipal agreement is effective from November 1st, 2024 – October 31st, 2025.

Importantly, the agreement includes residents not on Medicaid who aren't covered by existing medical insurance or have no third party responsible for their medical transport. In all other cases, PHI Air Medical works with the resident's insurance provider to resolve claims for medically necessary transports to ensure members face no out-of-pocket expenses, so they can focus on what matters most, their recovery.

As an additional benefit of this agreement, residents qualify for Coast-to-Coast coverage at a subsidized \$30/year per household. This optional expanded plan provides coverage for residents to be flown by PHI Air Medical when they travel out of county, giving them peace of mind whenever and wherever they travel. Household coverage also extends to resident's household dependents – the entire household remains covered, even when picked up outside the coverage area. To enroll in Coast-to-Coast coverage for the Town of Miami contact Carrie Brookshire, PHI Senior Membership Sales Manager at 855-521-9527 or visit https://phicares.com/miami-az/.

In emergencies, residents should contact 911. Following a flight, the resident flown or representative on their behalf should notify PHI Cares at 1.888.I.Fly.PHI (1.888.435.9744) and supply the County membership number #061011 and any transport details available.

The local agreement was spearheaded by **Carrie Brookshire, who said**: "*The people of the Town of Miami are a main priority, and the agreement between the Town of Miami and PHI Cares protects residents by offering vital, life-saving services in times of emergency. By renewing this agreement, the residents of the Town of Miami and their household have peace of mind that they are protected in a serious emergency. We urge all residents to pick up their membership cards and seriously think about protecting the rest of their household and themselves when travelling out of county.*"

For more information, visit <u>https://phicares.com/miami-az/or https://www.phiairmedical.com/.</u> Inquiries can be directed to <u>membership@PHIAirMedical.com</u> or 855-521-9527, referencing the "Town of Miami" Membership program.

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About PHI Air Medical

PHI Air Medical is a leading air medical transport provider, operating over 80 air medical bases in the nation. These bases provide outreach education to local communities and healthcare systems across the nation. Safely transporting more than 22,000 patients each year, each PHI Air Medical base maintains a crew of highly trained pilots, flight nurses, and paramedics – prepared to respond to emergency medical transport requests.

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