Did you know that AAMS has been serving the air medical and critical care transport community for more than 30 years?

Please read on for just some of the accomplishments that AAMS has achieved over 30 years of innovating, educating and advocating...

✓ AAMS has advocated for and represented its members and their interests. Examples include:
  ▪ From 1998 to 2004, AAMS worked with CMS (formally known as HCFA) during implementation of the Medicare Ambulance Fee Schedule to represent the interests of the air medical community;
  ▪ AAMS actively worked on issues affecting flight duty time and federal government restrictions on the use of public aircraft (1999);
  ▪ AAMS worked with the Department of Defense to identify AAMS’ members willing to provide EMS transport during time of military deployment (2000);
  ▪ AAMS was instrumental in getting legislation passed giving air ambulances the ability to apply for federal relief as a result of losses experienced from the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001;
  ▪ AAMS participated in the formation of the House Air Medical Caucus (2005); and the Association of Air Medical Services Political Action Committee (2005);
  ▪ AAMS participated in the FAA Weather Summit organized by the FAA and National Weather Service to study new advancements in weather reporting systems to aid in air medical safety (2006);
  ▪ AAMS assisted the GAO in a study about air medical transport safety (2006);
  ▪ Following hurricanes Katrina and Rita, AAMS successfully advocated for the creation of a National Disaster Response Contract for Ambulance Services, allowing for the inclusion of private ground ambulance and air medical services (both fixed wing and rotorcraft) into the national response plan (2007);
  ▪ AAMS Public Relations Task Force develop a public relations strategic plan for the emergency medical transport community (2007);
  ▪ AAMS worked with Customs and Border Patrol to remove a new requirement for patient passports on cross-border flights (2007);
  ▪ AAMS supported expansion of the Public Safety Officer Benefit program to include employees of public and private air medical services (2008).

✓ AAMS has continually worked with the GAO, FAA, NTSB and your Members of Congress on health care reform and the safety issues facing our industry.

✓ AAMS has kept members informed through the distribution of a variety of newsletters. Your employees are all eligible for receipt of these e-mailed newsletters.
  ▪ News & Views (since 1997)
  ▪ Capitol Watch (since 2002)
  ▪ On The Fly (since 2005)
AAMS has remained committed to SAFETY within our community, most recently:

- AAMS adopted CAMTS standards as the recommended standards for all medical transport programs (2005);
- AAMS continues as an active participant on the International Helicopter Safety Team (IHST) to reduce helicopter accidents by 80% within 10 years. (2005 – present)
- AAMS launches the re-invigoration of VISION ZERO, promoting education, awareness and personal vigilance. (2009)

AAMS has organized and executed a litany of community events, from the annual industry conference to timely events that specifically address the needs of our members. A few of these include:

- Air Medical Transport Conference (AMTC) – 29 years and going strong!
- AAMS Spring Conference – Advocacy and Leadership
- Medical Transport Leadership Institute – both Undergraduate and Graduate Programs!
- The ABC’s of NVG’s (2005)
- Critical Care Ground Conference (2002)
- Coming soon! 1st Annual Safety Management Training Academy (2010)

Did you know your employees and crew members are considered members of AAMS? Did you know your employees, as members of AAMS, receive significant discounts on event registration?

Upcoming events include:

**AAMS Spring Conference**
March 17th – 19th, 2010
Washington, DC

**Medical Transport Leadership Institute (MTLI)**
April 25th – 30th, 2010
Oglebay Resort, Wheeling, WV

**Safety Management Training Academy**
June 13th – 17th, 2010
Oglebay Resort, Wheeling, WV

**Air Medical Transport Conference**
October 11-13, 2010
Ft. Lauderdale, FL

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