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## **Fountain County renews Emergency Air Medical Membership Agreement with PHI Cares**

- *Initiative implemented by Fountain County Commissioners to cover vital air medical transport for Fountain County 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 or StatFlight*

**Fountain County, IN, January, 2025** – The County Commissioners of Fountain County have approved their air medical agreement with PHI Cares, a division of PHI Air Medical, a leading U.S. helicopter-based medical transport provider and StatFlight (Ascension St Vincent, IN). Local residents requiring authorized emergency air medical transport from Fountain or its adjacent counties, Warren, Tippecanoe, Vermillion, Parke, and Montgomery (the Fountain County Service Area), will benefit from no out-of-pocket expenses when utilizing PHI Air Medical (also known as StatFlight), thanks to the agreement. The municipal agreement is effective from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 – December 31<sup>st</sup>, 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 Fountain County contact Daniel Griffin, PHI Membership Sales Manager at 855.827.7761 or visit <https://phicare.com/daniel-griffin/>.

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 #026720 and any transport details available.

The local agreement was spearheaded by **Daniel Griffin** who said: *"The people of Fountain are a main priority, and the agreement between Fountain County and PHI Cares protects residents by offering vital, life-saving services in times of emergency. By renewing this agreement, Fountain residents 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 traveling out of county."*

For more information, visit <https://phicare.com/daniel-griffin/> or <http://www.PHIAirMedical.com>.  
Inquiries can be directed to [dgriffin@PHIAirMedical.com](mailto:dgriffin@PHIAirMedical.com) or 855.827.7761, referencing the "Fountain County Resident" Membership program.

***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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