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## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

### **REACH Air Medical Services to Place New Aircraft into Service in Montana**

**Bozeman, Montana (September 18, 2017)** — REACH Air Medical Services (REACH), will place a new type of helicopter in the region, an Airbus H125 helicopter.

The new model was purchased by REACH specifically for service in Montana because of its high-reliability rates, high-altitude performance capabilities, and safety features. The new aircraft is specially outfitted for use in the air medical environment and has the capacity to transport the patient, and a three-person flight team. REACH has also equipped the aircraft with night vision goggles, autopilot systems, advanced terrain awareness warning systems, and snow pads for improved winter landing ability.

“The Airbus H125 has found great success in the air medical industry because of its reliability and performance,” said Vicky Spediacci, Vice President of Aviation Operations for REACH. “It is truly a remarkable aircraft and we are confident that it will deliver safe and reliable service to the communities of Southern Montana.”

Sean Russell, President of REACH Air Medical Services, was pleased to share his comments on the addition of the new aircraft. “In this rural landscape, the new H125 will increase our ability to safely serve patients in their time of need. Going into winter, the ability of the snow pads and the lightweight of this aircraft allow for increased likelihood of reaching patients when others cannot. We look forward to continuing to provide high quality medical care to patients and hospitals in Southern Montana.

REACH operates two air medical bases in Montana, a helicopter base in Bozeman and a combined helicopter/airplane base in Helena. Each base is staffed 24/7 with a critical care transport team consisting of a Pilot, a Flight Nurse and a Flight Paramedic. The highly skilled clinicians provide an ICU level of care to patients throughout transport.

### **About REACH Air Medical Services**

REACH Air Medical Services, headquartered in Santa Rosa, CA, provides critical care air and ground transport service to communities throughout California, Oregon, Nevada, Montana, Texas, and Colorado. Since 1987, the company has safely transported more than 100,000 ill or injured patients to needed care. REACH employs hundreds of highly trained nurses, paramedics, pilots and aircraft maintenance technicians to provide service to patients using their fleet of medically equipped helicopters, airplanes, and ground ambulances. REACH is accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Services (CAMTS), which is the gold standard for patient care and safety for air medical transport services. For more information, visit [www.REACHair.com](http://www.REACHair.com).

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