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IAFCCP LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES & POLICY POSITIONS

To advance the Flight and Critical Care Paramedic professions, and the Air Medical industry as a whole, the International Association of Flight and Critical Care Paramedics places priority on the following agenda:

- Support the passage of legislation to improve safety within the medical transport environment.
- Encourage legislators and state leaders to engage the medical transport community through the following venues:
 - Urge members of the U.S. House of Representatives to educate themselves on issues and legislative items affecting the Air Medical community by joining the Congressional Air Medical Caucus.
 - Engage with local state medical transport resources to identify how local resources meet the medical need of their constituents.
 - Employ IAFCCP State Delegates and State Chapters to coordinate efforts impacting medical transport.
- As a core function of our organization, IAFCCP supports efforts by industry associations that promote evidence-based research to enhance all safety aspects of medical transport.
 - As part of the IAFCCP Critical Care Position Statement published July 2009, we support the promotion of a critical care national standard, to include an emphasis on critical care paramedic education and certification.
 - The IAFCCP embraces collaboration with industry associations to establish training and professional standards for critical care transport.
- Support the principles of ensuring adherence to excellence in clinical standards, fiscally responsible business practices, and transparency in governmental processes that impact the patient transport community.
- Support evidenced-based practices that improve EMS effectiveness through enhanced oversight, administrative leadership, interagency operability, and scope of practice.
- Promote public trust and education through the use of evidence-based data or established best-practices that prevent unnecessary, costly, or burdensome regulation without clear benefit to patients transported.