

# For patient transport excellence, trust CAMTS

When you use a CAMTS-accredited service, you can be confident patients and clients are receiving the very best medical transport patient care and safety in the industry. Each CAMTS-accredited service is voluntarily audited against a stringent, extensive set of quality and safety standards every three years to ensure substantial compliance. With CAMTS, you know patient care and safety come first.

## MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

CAMTS is a collection of 21 non-profit organizations dedicated to improving the quality and safety of medical transport services. Each member organization is represented on the CAMTS Board of Directors:

- Aerospace Medical Association (*AsMA*)
- Air Medical Operators Association (*AMOA*)
- Air Medical Physicians Association (*AMPA*)
- Air & Surface Transport Nurses Association (*ASTNA*)
- American Academy of Pediatrics (*AAP*)
- American Association of Critical Care Nurses (*AACN*)
- American Association of Respiratory Care (*AARC*)
- American College of Emergency Physicians (*ACEP*)
- American College of Surgeons (*ACS*)
- Association of Air Medical Services (*AAMS*)
- Association of Critical Care Transport (*ACCT*)
- Emergency Nurses Association (*ENA*)
- European HEMS and Air Ambulance Committee (*EHAC*)
- International Association of Flight and Critical Care Paramedics (*IAFCCP*)
- International Association of Air Medical Transport Communications Specialists (*IAMTCS*)
- National Air Transportation Association (*NATA*)
- National Association of EMS Physicians (*NAEMSP*)
- National Association of Neonatal Nurses (*NANN*)
- National Association of State EMS Officials (*NASEMSO*)
- National EMS Pilots Association (*NEMSPA*)
- United States Transportation Command (*USTRANSCOM*)

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Commission on Accreditation of Medical Transport Systems

We Set The Standard Worldwide

CAMTS Accreditation Standards serve as a marker of excellence for federal, state and local governmental agencies, as well as private agencies and the general public.

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## CAMTS HISTORY

Recognizing the need for standardized high-quality patient care and safety in medical transport, several professional medical and medical transportation organizations came together in 1990 to form CAMTS. Together they identified a stringent set of measurable standards that epitomize exemplary patient care and safety in the transport environment.

CAMTS published its first set of standards in 1991 and continually updates the standards to reflect the dynamic state of the medical transport profession. CAMTS itself is accredited as a Standards Setting Organization by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI).

## ACCREDITATION

Many government and healthcare agencies require accreditation in contractual relationships with medical transport services. CAMTS accredits a variety of medical transportation services: rotorwing (helicopter), fixed wing (airplane), ground (ambulance), surface (boat, ATV), medical escorts, medical retrieval, and citizen recovery. These services voluntarily request CAMTS accreditation, undergoing a rigorous audit process covering all aspects of CAMTS standards, confirmed by a site visit by CAMTS-experienced auditors who measure substantial compliance with the standards. The Board of Directors makes final accreditation actions and decisions after reviewing audit findings. Services must reapply every three years to maintain accreditation.

## ABOUT CAMTS

### Expectations of CAMTS-Accredited Operators

Honest Self-Assessment  
Ethical Business Practices  
Patient and Safety Focused  
Continuous Quality Improvement  
Transparency

### What CAMTS standards measure

Developed through best practices of professionals who provide medical transport every day, CAMTS accreditation standards measure a medical transport service's level of quality. To obtain accreditation, a service complies with specific CAMTS criteria in each of the following areas:

- Aircraft/surface configuration
- Communications
- Helipads
- Infection control
- Legal requirements and ethical practice
- Medical direction and medical protocols
- Mission statement and scope of care
- Qualified maintenance
- Qualified pilots and drivers
- Quality and utilization management
- Risk analysis
- Rotorwing, fixed wing, and ambulance operations
- Safety management systems
- Scheduling and fatigue management
- Training and education of medical and operations personnel

CAMTS-accredited services undergo an extensive audit against CAMTS Accreditation Standards every three years.

