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SB Fire Protection District/SB Volunteer Fire Dept./SB Disaster Council

Re: Helicopter Air Ambulance Service - AirMedCare Network

Whenever a medical emergency in West Marin warrants it, air ambulance helicopters for medical transport might be used. The cost of one of these transports can be over \$30,000. The patient transported or their health insurer (if coverage for air ambulance transport is included in their policy) is responsible for the costs incurred. Not all policies include coverage for air ambulance transportation.

AirMedCare Network offers a membership program which could cover part or all of the transport costs. The Stinson Beach Fire Protection District and its affiliates are not associated with AirMedCare Network, and this report does not constitute an endorsement. We simply wish to raise awareness of the existence of its membership program, so residents can make informed decisions. If you currently carry health insurance, check with your provider to see if air ambulance transport is covered and what the limitations of your coverage are.

In the past, residents needed to become members of both CALSTAR and REACH to have the most complete air ambulance coverage. Late last year, the two companies merged their membership programs with AirMedCare Network allowing you to pay only one membership fee. For a membership fee of \$65.00 per year per household, you will receive the benefit of knowing you will have no out-of-pocket expenses related to an air ambulance flight.

For more info, call AirMedCare Network at 877-222-4703 or visit:

<http://www.airmedcarenetwork.com/membership/membership-faqs>