



MEDIA ADVISORY

Invitation to View “Next Generation” Concept Ambulance AMR To Test One-of-a-Kind Vehicle in Arlington

WHAT: American Medical Response (AMR) is hosting an opportunity for local media to view the future of emergency medical transportation. The one-of-a-kind prototype, which was jointly developed by American Medical Response (AMR) and American Emergency Vehicles (AEV), utilizes the latest in patient care and safety. Following training of crew members, the Safety Concept Ambulance will be incorporated into the Arlington EMS service as part of a month-long national road test of the vehicle, equipment and safety features. AMR is the exclusive ambulance provider for the city of Arlington.

Paramedics, EMTs, and officials from AMR and AEV will be available for photos and interviews, along with representatives from Arlington Fire Department and local hospitals.

WHEN: Thursday, January 10, 2008
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

WHERE: Arlington Fire Department Training Center
5501 Ron McAndrew Drive
Arlington, 76013 ([Map](#))

DETAILS: This is the third Safety Concept Vehicle produced jointly by the two companies, which are designed to raise awareness of safety, to reduce the risks faced by ambulance crews and to provide the latest innovations in patient care. The new vehicle incorporates many elements that came directly from the input, suggestions and feedback of caregivers across the country.

Some of the 40+ distinct safety features built into the new concept ambulance include:

- Enhanced rear-seating harnesses and multiple internal components, such as lighting, suction and air controls, designed to reduce the amount of time medics have to leave their seated positions to render patient care. This is the first ambulance to be equipped with this next-generation technology intended to greatly increase medic safety inside the vehicle. The vehicle is also equipped to record when all the seat belts and harnesses are properly engaged.
- A four-camera video system that greatly improves driver vision to the sides and rear of the ambulance. The system, similar to those currently found on police vehicle, also records all ambulance movement.
- Redundant three battery system, with emergency start switch.
- High efficiency return air filtration, to remove bacteria and other airborne contaminants within the ambulance.

- Hidden compartment lock releases, making it extremely difficult for patients to exit the ambulance during transport.
- Rear sensors to enhance the safety of backing up.
- Hydraulic stretcher, to improve lifting capability and increase the safety of the crew and the patient.
- Unique exterior graphics that greatly enhance the vehicle's visibility to other motorists.

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