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GrandView Transplant Featured on Smithsonian Channel Docuseries “On The Fly: Adventures At Altitude”

“It’s About Time” episode to air on the Smithsonian Channel Sunday, November 19 at 9/8c

(MIDDLE RIVER, Md.) — GrandView Transplant, a leading provider of nationwide transplant transportation services, is proud to announce its upcoming feature on the new Smithsonian Channel docuseries "On the Fly: Adventures in Altitude." The episode, titled "It's About Time," will air on Sunday, November 19 at 9/8 p.m. CT, showcasing the remarkable work of GrandView Transplant in coordinating a lifesaving organ transplant flight.

The Smithsonian Channel's new eight-part docuseries aims to capture the high stakes, crazy spectacle, and heartfelt drama of various sectors within the aviation industry. In the exciting third episode, viewers will witness the time-sensitive logistics involved in a lifesaving transplant mission. The segment focuses on the collaboration between surgeons from the University of Maryland Medical Center and experts from GrandView Transplant and Infinite Legacy, an organ procurement organization (OPO).

“The dedicated teams at GrandView Transplant play a critical role in ensuring the success of lifesaving organ transplant missions,” said Randy Strozyk, senior vice president, executive operations for Global Medical Response. “We are proud to be able to give audiences the unique opportunity to watch the minute-by-minute coordination that goes into such complex medical and aviation operations.”

The collaboration between GrandView Transplant, the University of Maryland Medical Center and Infinite Legacy exemplifies the power of teamwork and expertise in organ procurement and transplant.

“Infinite Legacy saves and heals lives every day by facilitating organ and tissue donation in Maryland and the Metro D.C. area,” said Charlie Alexander, president and chief executive officer of Infinite Legacy. “We were proud to work with our friends at UMMC and GrandView Aviation to show the world the complexity involved and timeliness required to match a donor with a recipient and transplant team.”

Viewers will also witness the extraordinary behind-the-scenes efforts of University of Maryland Medical Center surgeons who not only help to transport donated organs, but then work diligently to perform the life-saving transplant surgeries.

"Organ transplantation represents a remarkable triumph of human compassion and medical science," said Daniel G. Maluf, MD, FAST, a transplant surgeon at the University of Maryland Medical Center and Professor of Surgery and Director of the Program in Transplantation at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. "It begins with an extraordinary act of generosity from donor families, who choose to give the gift of life during their most challenging moments. This process requires a highly coordinated effort from a diverse team: transplant coordinators, doctors, nurses, organ procurement organization staff, aircraft pilots and ground transport specialists, and hospital personnel. Each member of this team plays a crucial role in the complex logistics to ensure the successful transfer, transport, management, and transplantation of organs. The culmination of these efforts is a powerful testament to the best of humanity, a seamless collaboration to save lives."

Tune in to the Smithsonian Channel on Sunday, November 19 at 9/8 p.m. CT to witness the remarkable efforts of GrandView Transplant and its partners in the field of transplant transportation.

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About GrandView Transplant and GrandView Aviation

GrandView Aviation is one of the country's leading aviation charter providers serving private clients and medical transplant transport missions. The company offers medical transplant transportation with its GrandView Transplant service line through a fleet of Phenom 300 private charter jets that gives access to departure points across the United States. GrandView Aviation is an FAA Certified 135 Air Carrier and carries the elite Wyvern Wingman safety rating. GrandView Aviation is part of Global Medical Response. For more information about GrandView Transplant, please visit www.GrandviewTransplant.com. For more information about GrandView Aviation, visit www.FlyGV.com

About Infinite Legacy

Infinite Legacy is a nonprofit organ procurement organization (OPO) serving almost 10 million people in Maryland, Northern Virginia and Washington, DC. We facilitate organ, eye and tissue donation and educate people about the critical importance of registering to be a donor. Infinite Legacy works with 68 hospitals and eight transplant centers to decrease the number of people waiting for a lifesaving transplant. We are passionate about giving life and restoring hope while honoring the legacy and generosity of donors and providing care to their families. To register to be an organ, eye and tissue donor or learn more about donation, visit www.infinitelegacy.org

About the University of Maryland Medical Center, please visit <https://www.umms.org/ummc>