RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC Publishes Medical Escort Pricing and 40-Question Guide to Commercial Airline Medical Transport

Veteran-owned San Antonio company discloses domestic, international, and airline stretcher costs, showing families can save 80–95% versus air ambulance

SAN ANTONIO, TX, UNITED STATES, September 10, 2026 / EINPresswire.com/ -- — RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC, a veteran-owned commercial airline medical escort company, today published a 40-question guide to medical escort services, airline stretcher transport, oxygen on commercial flights, and international medical repatriation, together with the company's transport pricing. The guide is available at https://www.rnmedflights.com/faq-rn-medflights.

Commercial airline medical escorts place a licensed registered nurse or critical care paramedic beside a medically stable patient on a scheduled airline flight, providing monitoring, medication management, oxygen coordination, and mobility assistance from bed to bed. The service is an alternative to a dedicated air ambulance jet for patients who need clinical supervision but not intensive care in flight. Every year, thousands of families face the same



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situation: a parent hospitalized far from home, a traveler injured abroad, or an elderly relative who can no longer fly alone to move closer to family. Most learn about air ambulances first and assume that is the only option.


Medical Escorts with Patient

Transparent pricing in an industry that rarely publishes it

Few medical transport providers publish their rates, and families are often quoted only after an emergency has begun. RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC's guide discloses typical costs so families, hospital case managers, and insurers can plan before they call:

Domestic commercial airline medical escort: $6,500 to $8,500
International commercial airline medical escort: $11,000 to $30,000
Business-class escort, USA/Canada to India: $17,000 to $23,000
Commercial airline stretcher service, major U.S. city to India: $28,000 to $35,000
Dedicated air ambulance jet, for comparison: commonly $150,000 or more

Three factors determine the final price of a transport: the patient's medical needs, including the level of care, oxygen, and whether a seat or stretcher is required; ground transportation at each end, whether ambulance, wheelchair van, or private car; and the airline ticket cost for the patient and escort. RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC quotes each transport individually and itemizes every component, and offers 0% financing on approved credit for families paying out of pocket.

"Families making a decision about a parent in a hospital two thousand miles away deserve to know what the options cost before they are in crisis," said Marc T. Brinsley, RN, BSN, MSN, chief executive officer and chief flight nurse of RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC. "A nurse or critical care paramedic on a commercial flight is the right choice for most stable patients, and it typically costs a fraction of an air ambulance. We published the numbers because the industry has kept them hidden for too long."

What the guide covers

The 40 questions are organized into six sections: medical escort services, the air ambulance alternative and cost savings, airline stretcher service, international medical transport, oxygen on

commercial flights, and the types of patients who qualify.

The medical escort section explains what an escort does during a flight, how the bed-to-bed process works from the first phone call to hand-off at the destination, how much notice is needed, and what documentation airlines require. The guide explains that most airlines require a Medical Information Form, or MEDIF, completed by the treating physician, and that RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC prepares and submits it to the airline's medical desk on the patient's behalf.

The stretcher section addresses one of the most common misunderstandings in medical transport: commercial airline stretcher service is available only on select international routes, because U.S. domestic carriers generally do not install stretchers. The guide describes which patients need a stretcher rather than a seat, how a stretcher patient is boarded before other passengers and cared for behind a privacy curtain, and what the service costs.

The oxygen section explains why compressed and liquid oxygen tanks are prohibited on commercial aircraft, how FAA-approved portable oxygen concentrators are used instead, how much oxygen a patient can receive in flight, why airlines require battery capacity for 150 percent of the flight time, and how CPAP and BiPAP users can travel.

The guide also states plainly which patients are not candidates for commercial transport, including those who are medically unstable, ventilator-dependent, require high-flow oxygen or continuous IV medications, or have an active contagious infection. In those cases, RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC recommends an air ambulance and can refer families to appropriate providers.

Clinical standards

Every RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC transport is staffed by a registered nurse or critical care paramedic licensed in the United States and in good standing, holding current ACLS and BLS certifications, with a minimum of five years of clinical experience. Service is bed to bed: pickup at the patient's home or hospital, ground transportation, airline logistics and medical clearance, in-flight care, and hand-off to the receiving facility or family.

The company serves all 50 U.S. states and international destinations, with dedicated non-emergency escort service between the USA/Canada and Australia, New Zealand, and India. Patients commonly transported include elderly and chronically ill travelers, post-stroke and cardiac patients, orthopedic patients recovering from hip fractures or joint replacement, patients with dementia or Alzheimer's disease, and behavioral health patients traveling to treatment or family, who are escorted discreetly and without restraints.

Who the guide is for

The guide was written for the people who most often arrange medical escort travel: adult

children relocating elderly parents, hospital discharge planners and case managers coordinating transfers, travel insurance and assistance companies handling repatriations, and families bringing a loved one home after a stroke, fracture, or cardiac event abroad. It is also intended to help physicians and nurses who are asked whether a patient can fly and what the safe alternatives to an air ambulance are.

The full guide is available at https://www.rnmedflights.com/faq-rn-medflights.

About RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC

RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC is a veteran-owned commercial airline medical escort company headquartered in San Antonio, Texas. The company provides registered nurse and critical care paramedic escorts for medically stable patients on scheduled commercial flights throughout the United States and internationally, including commercial airline stretcher service on select international routes. RN MEDFLIGHTS LLC offers a lower-cost alternative to air ambulance transport for elderly, chronically ill, post-surgical, post-stroke, dementia, and behavioral health patients, with door-to-door, bed-to-bed coordination. For more information, visit https://www.rnmedflights.com.

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