

**109-2-13. Standards for fixed-wing ambulance aircraft and equipment.** (a) Each operator shall ensure that each fixed-wing air ambulance is pressurized during patient transports according to the ambulance service's medical protocols and operational policies.

(b) The pilot or pilots shall be sufficiently isolated from the patient care area to minimize in-flight distractions and interference.

(c) Each fixed-wing air ambulance shall have a two-way, interoperable communications system that is readily accessible to both the attendants and the pilot and that meets the following requirements:

(1) Allows communications between the aircraft and a hospital; and

(2) allows an attendant to communicate at all times with medical control, exclusive of the air traffic control system.

(d) Fixed-wing ambulance aircraft shall have on board patient comfort equipment including the following:

(1) One urinal; and

(2) one bedpan.

~~(e)(1) Each operator of a type V ambulance service shall staff each type V air ambulance with a pilot and one of the following groups of individuals, who shall remain in the patient compartment during patient transport:~~

~~(A) At least two of the following: physician, physician assistant, advanced practice registered nurse, or professional nurse; or~~

~~(B) one of the individuals listed in paragraph (e)(1)(A) and one of the following:~~

~~(i) An MICT or paramedic; or~~

~~(ii) an optional staff member commensurate with the patient's care needs, as determined by the ambulance service's medical director or as described in the ambulance service's medical protocols, who shall be a health care provider as defined in K.A.R. 109-1-1 (cc). The medical personnel shall remain in the patient compartment during patient transport.~~

~~(2) Each of the individuals specified in paragraphs (e)(1)(A) and (B) shall meet the following requirements:~~

~~(A) Have current certification in advanced cardiac life support (ACLS), as adopted by reference in K.A.R. 109-2-7 (e), or in an equivalent area approved by the board; and~~

~~(B) have current certification in either pediatric advanced life support, as adopted by reference in K.A.R. 109-2-7 (f), or an equivalent area approved by the board and in one of the following:~~

~~(i) International trauma life support advanced (ITLS-A);~~

~~(ii) transport nurse advanced trauma course (TNATC);~~

~~(iii) trauma nurse core course (TNCC);~~

~~(iv) certified flight registered nurse (CFRN);~~

~~(v) certified transport registered nurse (CTRN);~~

~~(vi) pre-hospital trauma life support (PHTLS);~~

~~(vii) critical care emergency medical technician paramedic (CCEMTP); or~~

~~(viii) flight paramedic certification (FP-C).~~ (Authorized by and implementing K.S.A. 2013 Supp. 65-6110, ~~as amended by L. 2011, ch. 114, sec. 81~~; effective Jan. 31, 1997; amended Jan. 27, 2012; amended P-\_\_\_\_\_.)