

# News Release

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## **Aircare International Joins USAIG Performance Vector Safety Program**

**New York, NY, (Sept. 10, 2014)**...USAIG proudly welcomes Aircare International to its Performance Vector safety initiative. Performance Vector delivers valuable, forward-looking safety support for USAIG-insured operators of turbine aircraft. Eligible policyholders can choose annually from a range of safety enhancing programs and services delivered by the industry's leading providers. The addition of Aircare International broadens available options to include aircrew emergency procedures training and mission safety and tele-medical support services.

Aircare International's well-known Aircare FACTS Training curriculum prepares aircrews for dynamic emergencies such as cabin fires, medical contingencies, slow onset hypoxia, decompression, ground evacuation, wet ditching, underwater egress, and water survival. Performance Vector-eligible policyholders can now send pilots to Aircare's One-Day Pilot Emergency Procedures Course, which uses cabin egress and firefighting simulators and in-pool drills to cover elements that are especially vital for pilots who operate without cabin crew, and must therefore be ready to see themselves as well as passengers through all contingencies.

Another new alternative is Aircare Access Assistance. This service provides operating aircrews with worldwide, 24/7 access to tele-medical assistance by board-certified emergency physicians. Qualifying USAIG policyholders that subscribe to Aircare Access Assistance can send crewmembers to attend inflight emergency medical and automatic external defibrillator AHA certificate courses, have aircraft medical kits tracked for expiring items, request security and health briefings for unfamiliar destinations, and receive fit-for-duty and lost prescription consults.

"We are delighted to connect our policyholders with these world class programs. Aircare International delivers highly relevant training and services with the flexibility needed by today's aviation operators, making them a perfect addition to Performance Vector," said David McKay, USAIG President and CEO.

"Aircare's training and services save lives," said Martin Hamilton, VP Business Development for Aircare International. "By offering our programs to their policyholders, USAIG continues to demonstrate their

passion for safety and for helping flight departments become even better. We're proud to be associated with USAIG and their values.”

Performance Vector programs meet aviation regulatory requirements, accreditation protocols and industry standards such as FAA, IS-BAO, NBAA's Certified Aviation Manager program, and ICAO. Eligibility for additional Performance Vector services refreshes upon each policy renewal.

For additional information about the USAIG Performance Vector program, check the Safety tab at [usaig.com](http://usaig.com) or contact Paul S. Ratté, USAIG Director of Aviation Safety Programs at: [safety@usaig.com](mailto:safety@usaig.com).

### **Learn More at the NBAA Convention**

Visit USAIG at the NBAA convention in Orlando from October 21 through 23, booth #3331. Meet USAIG's team of aviation insurance and safety experts, and take part in discussions about Performance Vector and USAIG's other safety initiatives.

Aircare Representative at USAIG Booth

2:00 – 3:00 pm, Tuesday, October 21

USAIG Booth 3331

Orange County Convention Center

### **About USAIG**

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### **About Aircare International**

Aircare is business aviation's leader in emergency procedures training programs for pilots and cabin crew; worldwide tele-medical and mission safety support services; and high-quality crew staffing for temporary or permanent placement. For additional information about Aircare International, contact Martin Hamilton, VP Business Development at: [Martin.h@aircareintl.com](mailto:Martin.h@aircareintl.com), or visit the company's website at [aircareinternational.com](http://aircareinternational.com).