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Date: February 2, 2017
TO: Steve Brigham
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SUBJECT: Helicopter Operations

This memo covers helicopter operations at BUMC Tucson for the month of January. There were 96 medical flights during January, up from 78 in December and 81 a year ago.

There were seven observed violations of the “no-fly zone” in December. Five of the violations were related to one service. While a couple of those were related to wind conditions, I contacted the flight manager of the service to ask that he remind his pilots of the appropriate flight paths. He assured me that he would follow up on the individual flights as well as remind all of his pilots. Of the remaining two observed violations, in one instance the pilot states that he violated due to high winds. In the other instance, the copter was departing, but we were not notified and had nobody on the pad to monitor the flight. We received a report from a neighbor that the departure was a violation. Of the seven observed violations, we received a total of five reports from our neighbors. All five agreed with our observations from the pad.

Please pass on to our neighbors that if they have questions or concerns about a specific helicopter flight, they should feel free to contact me through BUMC Security at 694-6533.