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Date: November 3, 2017
TO: Mark Ostrand
FROM: Harry Kirlin
SUBJECT: Helicopter Operations

This memo covers helicopter operations at BUMC Tucson for the month of October. There were 84 medical flights during October, as compared to 98 in September and 115 a year ago.

There were three observed violations of the “no-fly zone” in October. Two of the three observed violations were due to wind conditions and an extremely critical patient. The third violation was during a departure and we were unable to contact the pilot. One of the three violations also resulted in a report from a neighbor.

There were three flights that resulted in neighbor reports. However, in all three of these incidents, we had no officer on the pad to observe the flights and so were unable to verify.

In addition to those mentioned above, there were five other reports from our neighbors. In those instances, the officer on the pad observed the flight involved to be within acceptable limits.

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.