



## Royal Flying Doctor Service

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### **Media Statement Company Directors reach for the sky at Flying Doctors**

Recent graduates of the Australian Institute of Company Directors course celebrated success and collected their awards at a networking event held at the Royal Flying Doctor Service facilities in Jandakot this week.

RFDS Executive General Manager Corporate Affairs Nick Harvey said it was great to host more than 60 graduates of the Company Director's course at the RFDS headquarters at Jandakot Airport and be able to share the recognition of this achievement," Mr Harvey said.

"Company Director Graduates enjoyed a personal tour of the organisation including the engineering workshops and hangars, patient treatment facility, and our 24-hour state wide coordination centre where our staff manage an average of more than 100 phone calls for medical assistance per day.

"Now in its 81<sup>st</sup> year, RFDS WA currently operates a fleet of 15 Pilatus PC-12 turboprop aircraft and the Rio Tinto *LifeFlight* Jet.

"With demand for aero medical retrieval services having grown considerably over the past 5 years, and constantly changing around our vast state, to meet future medical needs we expect that we will require a fleet of 20 aircraft by 2022 so that we can continue to deliver life saving care to those in need across Western Australia."

RFDS aircraft are specially outfitted with the latest in medical and aviation technology and are flying intensive care units, operated by highly qualified medical teams and pilots who provide life-saving outcomes for our patients.

Over the past 12 months, the RFDS has touched the lives of over 60,000 people across all areas of WA through aero medical retrievals, GP and dental clinics and telehealth services.

To donate to the RFDS, call 1800 669 569 or visit [www.flyingdoctor.org.au](http://www.flyingdoctor.org.au).

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