

Life Flight forms an alliance

Life Flight Network, which has an operational base at Astoria Regional Airport, announced Wednesday that it has formed an alliance with Life Link III of Bloomington, Minn., to collaborate on ways to improve both nonprofit air ambulance companies.

The alliance formalizes a longstanding collaborative relationship between the two similarly structured air medical consortiums, with each program utilizing similar on-board medical equipment and

operating many of the same aircraft models.

Together they have shared their resources and expertise over the years, drawing on the best of each organization's prowess. Executive leadership from both will meet routinely, establishing benchmarks and metrics that promote shared learning and raise the bar on industry standards.

"While both programs remain independent, our employees, patients, customers and the communities we serve

Police investigate Seaside school threat

An unknown person who set up – and then quickly deleted – an Instagram account sent messages to a Seaside High School student warning of a situation that could jeopardize students, police said.

"(We) determined this is not a credible, localized threat," the agency wrote in a media report.

A student contacted Seaside Police at 8:30 p.m. Monday to report they'd received Instagram messages from someone they didn't know. The messages were screenshots of a conversation that included a possible threat to the campus, according to police.

Investigators, working with the FBI, discovered the ac-

count had been created one hour prior to the messages being sent and the account was immediately deleted after the messages were sent. School Resource Officer Justin Gagnon determined the sender had no local connections.

High school administrators were informed as police investigated.

"We would like to thank the student who brought this to our immediate attention," police wrote, "and we continue to encourage others to speak up when they see something out of the ordinary or of immediate concern."

Police increased their presence around all Seaside school facilities as a precaution.

will benefit from the collective expertise and resources of our programs," Life Flight's interim chief executive Ben Clayton said.

Life Flight's headquarters are in Aurora. The company has 25 bases in Oregon, Idaho, Washington, and Montana. Life Link has 10 bases in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

One of Life Flight's Bell 407 air ambulance helicopters.



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