

Friends of Tynan Surgery c/o Marie Barkey (Treasurer) Tynan Surgery 15 Dartan Ree Tynan Armagh BT60 4QT

27th September 2024

Dear Marie,

On behalf of Air Ambulance Northern Ireland, please accept our sincere thanks for your generous donation of £1,065 in support of Air Ambulance NI. This contribution will greatly assist those in need of pre-hospital emergency care. We would be delighted to organise a cheque presentation to formally recognise this wonderful donation. Please don't hesitate to contact Amy on 07718483325 if you would like to arrange this at a time that best suits you.

The charity offers advanced critical care across the region through the Helicopter Emergency Medical Service (HEMS) which is delivered via a unique third sector and public sector partnership between Air Ambulance NI Charity and the Northern Ireland Ambulance Service (NIAS).

The service brings urgent medical assistance to anywhere in the province, operating seven days a week for 12 hours per day with the aim of saving lives, brains, and limbs. The medical team is tasked on average twice a day to the most critically ill individuals who have experienced a serious trauma injury or medical incident, reaching any part of the province within 25 minutes. The service has been tasked on 4,483 times since the start of operations in July 2017.

When the HEMS team arrive at the scene, the consultant doctor and paramedic team begin their critical care interventions. These interventions may include inducing a coma, performing vital pre-hospital surgery, blood transfusions and providing advanced pain relief before transporting the patient to the most appropriate hospital for their injuries.

Hannah from Belleeks, Co. Armagh required the service following a road-traffic collision in 2020. Hannah recounts:

"I was trapped in the car and had a bleed on the brain and fracture to the back of my skull. My pelvis was fractured, my left wrist was broken in four places, and I couldn't see due to glass in my eyes. My recovery was traumatic, painful, and lengthy. I have since been diagnosed as a Type 1 diabetic likely caused by the head trauma, but thankfully I have made a positive recovery. I will always be grateful to the Air Ambulance team who saved my life."

On behalf of the charity team thank you for being part of the journey to help save lives.

With sincere thanks,

Ambulance NI

PS: From time to time, we would like to contact you with news on our latest case studies, campaigns and how you can support the charity. Your contact details will not be shared with anyone else and will be held securely by Air Ambulance NI. If you do not wish to receive further information from AANI, perhaps you could let us know by email to **info@airambulanceni.org** or by post.

