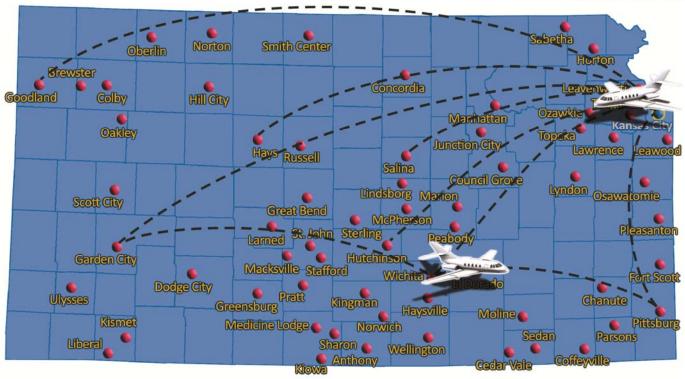
Outreach Aircraft Program

Bringing highly specialized care to rural Kansas





The KU Outreach Aircraft enables physicians and other providers to offer advanced health care to people in rural/underserved areas of Kansas.

Patient care

There were 85 KU Medical Center outreach flights in FY 2013-14.

- Specialty clinics use the aircraft, including: oncology, orthopedics, pediatric cardiology, pediatric rheumatology, HIV/AIDS
- Locations include:
 - From Kansas City to Goodland, Hays, Hutchinson, Salina and Wichita
 - From Wichita to Garden City and Pittsburg
- Flight locations are complementary with telemedicine sites, which have resulted in a decrease in the number of flights over time without compromising quality of care for patients.

Economic benefits

By flying specialty providers to communities, rural Kansans have better access to specialized care, and health care dollars stay in their hometowns.

- Individuals and families can spend several hundred dollars on fuel, lodging and meals to drive to KC for just one appointment – money that can stay local, thanks to the outreach aircraft.
- By keeping families in or near their hometowns, that means prescriptions, lab work and other treatment-related expenses stay in those towns .

85

Number of flights to KU Medical Center outreach clinics in Kansas in Fiscal Year 2013-14

814

Estimated round-trip miles from the farthest outreach clinic, in Goodland, to the University of Kansas Medical Center

1,300

Approximate number of rural Kansas patient appointments last year with specialty doctors who use the KU Outreach Aircraft.