Sikorsky Employees Build And Donate Bicycles To Miami Children's Hospital Patients

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Feb. 12, 2015 – Earlier this month, Sikorsky Aircraft employees assembled and donated 50 bicycles to patients at Miami Children's Hospital Doral Outpatient Center. Sikorsky Aircraft is a subsidiary of United Technologies Corp. (NYSE: UTX)

The bicycles were assembled during Sikorsky's Worldwide Sales Conference held recently in Miami, and were donated to 50 patients from Miami Children's Hospital Doral Outpatient Center who were chosen by the hospital staff. Sikorsky also provided a helmet, bike lock and backpack with each bicycle.

Sikorsky and Miami Children's Hospital have worked together since 1994 when the hospital launched its Lifeflight program and purchased its first S-76C™ helicopter for Emergency Medical Service transportation.

"Just as Miami Children's Hospital is known for world-class care of its patients, Sikorsky is committed to ensuring the safe helicopter transportation for their patients with emergency needs," said Jeanette Eaton who leads Global Sales at Sikorsky Commercial Systems & Services. "This event was just a small way to show our appreciation and commitment to this ongoing relationship and the people who depend on our aircraft."

During the building process, the bicycles were frequently checked for safety by mechanics from the Miami Bike Shop. When the assembly was complete, the bikes were delivered to the Doral Outpatient Center where patients and representatives from Miami Children's Hospital joined Sikorsky employees to accept the bicycles.

Miami Children's Health Foundation (MCH Foundation) is a not-for-profit 501(c)(3) organization established to create a world-class pediatric hospital so no child needs to leave South Florida for superior medical care. "Funding World-Class Care" and following the principle that all children deserve state-of-the-art pediatric care with no financial boundaries, MCH Foundation, now a part of the newly-formed Miami Children's Health System, has helped the 289-bed Miami Children's Hospital become a leader in pediatric healthcare with more than 40 subspecialties, the largest pediatric neurology center in the United States, a top provider of cardiology and neonatology services, and a Research Institute conducting in excess of 200 clinical trials and protocols. For the third year in a row, Miami Children's was once again the only hospital in Florida with pediatric specialty services listed in all 10 categories ranked by U.S. News & World Report's "America's Best Children's Hospitals." Miami Children's Hospital is one of 170 pediatric hospitals in North America affiliated with Children's Miracle Network Hospitals® and South Florida's only freestanding hospital dedicated exclusively to children.

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