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## **AMT grants new medical technology to local fire departments for improved cardiac arrest patient outcomes**

**Peoria, Illinois**— Since the launch of its “Race to the Top” initiative in 2014, Advanced Medical Transport has been recognized as a national leader in saving lives from the #1 killer of adults in America - Sudden Cardiac Arrest. Now, the local not-for-profit paramedic service is investing in devices to help improve the mid and long-term outcomes of those patients.

“Race to the Top” caused the Emergency Medical Services profession to take note of what is happening right here in Central Illinois,” said AMT CEO Andrew Rand, “The deployment of this new technology is the next big step in the evolution of that innovative program.”

The device, called an EleGARD, has been shown to improve the neurological recovery of cardiac arrest victims. In addition to deploying the device on each of its own ambulances, AMT donated 16 of the (\$7,400) devices to the Peoria, Pekin, and Streator fire departments.

On Tuesday, March 30, at 10 a.m., AMT will hold a media demonstration of the device at 1718 N. Sterling Avenue. Peoria and Pekin Fire Department personnel will be present to help demonstrate the “Pit Crew” style of cardiac arrest management that has earned Central Illinois the high marks in Saving Lives.

About Race to the Top: <https://www.peoriomagazines.com/ibi/2015/may/race-top>

About the EleGARD: <https://elevatedcpr.com/elegard/>

### **About Advanced Medical Transport of Central Illinois**

Advanced Medical Transport (AMT) is the premier provider of emergency and scheduled ambulance services in Central and Western Illinois. AMT is a private, not-for-profit organization governed by a community-based board of directors. Our comprehensive team of healthcare professionals combine outstanding healthcare transportation with pre-hospital medical care that answers 60,000 calls each year in communities we serve.

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