

GLOBAL RESCUE GUARDED U.S. SKI AND SNOWBOARDERS AT THE SOCHI OLYMPICS

The U.S. Ski and Snowboard Association relied on Global Rescue to get its team members out of a tight spot in the event of a terrorist attack or other crisis at the Winter Olympics in Sochi, Russia.

Global Rescue has been providing medical services for USSA for eight years, but had to bulk up to deal with any potential security concerns during the Sochi games. They had “up to a half dozen aircraft” to assist with any potential medical and security-related evacuations if needed.

“A disruption would involve hundreds of thousands of people wanting to go from one place to another,” Dan Richards, CEO said of a terrorist attack. “We had created plans that created a mechanism for doing that.” Global Rescue’s plans include taking into account the mountains that surround Sochi, and the Black Sea to the west of the city, he said.

With confirmed threats and a recent history of terrorist attacks in the surrounding region, the 2014 Winter Games in Sochi, Russia had many travelers on watch as they traveled to southwest Russia. Global Rescue’s medical and security personnel conducted thorough reviews of the infrastructure and travel routes between the major events, hotels, hospitals, and airports throughout Sochi. Global Rescue’s on-the-ground medical and security specialists provided detailed travel route planning, and were available for close protection and extractions for our covered athletes, clients, and travelers.

Emergency Action Planning & Training

Some key points that made our Sochi Op successful:

Early Integration With Client

We entered the planning cycle with the client early and we met often to discuss progress and updates

Pre-Deployment Site Survey

In conjunction with the client we sent personnel to Sochi in advance of the Olympics to survey the following:

- ▶ Hospitals
- ▶ Transportation infrastructure
- ▶ Venues our clients would attend
- ▶ Security operations
- ▶ Contingency logistics

Highly Qualified Personnel

- ▶ Deploying team members met the client early in the planning process
- ▶ Deploying personnel were fully integrated into the planning process
- ▶ Fully integrated with local logistics providers, participating international organizations and attending international



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