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Glynn County Fire/EMS working with US Coast Guard

GLYNN COUNTY, Ga.- The Glynn County Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) has entered into a new partnership with the US Coast Guard Station Brunswick to provide marine EMS services when needed. This new partnership will allow for paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) to accompany the US Coast Guard on missions where there is a medical emergency, allowing aide to reach patients much quicker. Previously, the Coast Guard would call 911 on their way in to land and have an ambulance ready and waiting at the nearest docking facility. With this new partnership, Glynn County paramedics and EMTs will join the Coast Guard and be able to provide lifesaving medical attention on the water without wasting precious time.

"The Glynn County Fire Department and EMS is excited to be able to offer medical services in a much timelier manner during marine situations through this partnership with the US Coast Guard. All of our paramedics and EMTs, who are also cross-trained firefighters, have familiarized themselves with the Coast Guard vessels that will be utilized for rescue missions and the procedures in place. We will be at the ready as soon as the need arises," said Hal Herndon, Acting Chief of Operations for the Glynn County Fire Department.

"A stronger partnership between Coast Guard Station Brunswick and fellow stake holders within Glynn County will provide the local maritime community increased response capabilities. Our crew looks forward to combining efforts with Glynn County Fire Department and EMS," said Senior Chief Rudy Radakovich, Officer in Charge, Coast Guard Station Brunswick.

US Coast Guard Senior Chief Rudy Radakovich shows Glynn County Paramedics and EMTs the boats that will
be used during a rescue mission.
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