



## AFA AIR SAFETY, HEALTH AND SECURITY COMMITTEE

STRIVING TO PROMOTE A SAFE WORK ENVIRONMENT FOR FLIGHT ATTENDANTS



*The Air Safety, Health and Security Committee works diligently to make certain all flight attendants are safe in many different ways. Through a contract we are able to have safeguards in place. Listed below are a few contractually mandated provisions that highlight a sampling of what the committee watches over for all flight attendant's well-being in the workplace:*

- ✓ Contractually-mandated notification by the company to the AFA of specific incidents (such as red/yellow emergencies) occurring daily both on and off the aircraft allowing our Union to advocate for required improvements and provide support to flight attendants involved.
- ✓ Contractual recognition of the Union's Accident Investigation Team (Go Team), allowing access to and support of members involved in a serious incident or accident. Northwest will also provide transportation and access to the accident site in accordance with NTSB policies.
- ✓ Contractually mandated access to our workplace on and off the aircraft to inspect unsafe working conditions to support needed change.

*The company's recognition of the Union's Safety, Health and Security Committee has afforded us the opportunity to have a direct voice in efforts to improve the flight attendant workplace. Recent accomplishments have included:*

- ✓ Online inflight incident reporting system (allowing required reports to be submitted from any computer).
- ✓ Improved turbulence action chart, focusing on improved CRM (crew resource management) and injury reduction; consistent use of contagious disease notification protocols in reporting such exposures by the company, allowing timely follow-up to members.
- ✓ Advanced crew rest provisions on A330 aircraft.
- ✓ Provisioning of onboard anti-bacterial hand cleansers.
- ✓ Lightweight serving carts provisioned on all international aircraft.
- ✓ Cabin interior changes directly affecting flight attendants (for example, the B787 and recently reconfigured B757 and A319 aircraft).

As you can see, this committee is an important tool for flight attendant safety. This is but one committee that is available through involvement with AFA that impacts our lives.