
Video: Coast Guard rescues man from cruise ship off Coos Bay, Oregon

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The Coast Guard medevaced a crewmember from a cruise ship approximately 15 miles offshore of Coos Bay, Oregon, Easter Sunday.

Coast Guard Sector Columbia River watchstanders received a report from the M/V National Geographic Venture at 6:38 a.m., Apr. 20, that a 30-year-old male crewmember was suffering from excessive vomiting and shortness of breath.

Watchstanders consulted with the Coast Guard duty flight surgeon, who recommended a medevac via helicopter.

At 8 a.m. Sunday, a MH-65 Dolphin helicopter crew from Coast Guard Air Station North Bend rendezvoused with the National Geographic Venture west of Coos Bay, Ore. and successfully hoisted the patient to the helicopter.

He was transported to Bay Area Hospital in Coos Bay in stable condition.

"Safe and efficient medical evacuations of mariners are only possible through closely coordinated efforts from start to finish" said Lt. Christopher Saylor, Search and Rescue Mission Coordinator, Sector Columbia River. "The expert coordination between the flight crews, vessel master, and watchstanders resulted in a successful outcome for the patient"

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