

The University of North Dakota is well positioned to assist thousands of pilots routinely. With around 2,000 flight students attending flight school at UND, along with the overall lack of Aviation Medical Examiners (AME) in the region, many pilots from all over North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota come to UND for their aviation medical examinations as required by the FAA.

As well, UND has HIMS certified AME's to serve pilots with mental health struggles. This is unusual, and difficult to find around the country. Pilots will travel across the country to get this treatment. I have student pilots who will travel home to California or Florida just to receive assistance with their medical certificates, which with the addition of the UND Center for Aerospace Medicine can be provided right here in North Dakota.

This is a unique opportunity to have pilots from all over the country to come to North Dakota for treatment and assistance.