

Lifeline Ambulances drives into UK market

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Lifeline Ambulance Service has bought UK-based Evolved Medical Ambulance Services for €1m.

Lifeline is Ireland's largest private ambulance operator and the deal to buy the Bristol-based firm is the first move in their planned expansion into the UK's private ambulance market which is worth about €500m.

Lifeline Ambulance Services employs 108 full and part-time staff and had a turnover of €7m. It is headquartered in Leixlip, Co Kildare with satellite stations in Tullamore, Galway and Wexford.

'While there will be challenges in the initial term, this is a long-term commitment and we are looking forward to building the business in the UK market,' commented the firm's managing director David Hall.