

Iowa's frequent fliers can get special ID to get through security faster



Des Moines, Iowa – Iowa's largest and busiest airport is hosting an event this week so the state's international travelers can streamline the process of going through security and customs.

Kevin Foley, executive director of the Des Moines Airport Authority, says officials with US Customs and Border Protection will be interviewing people who've registered for what's known as the Global Entry program.

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Global Entry allows registered members to use the TSA Pre-Check line, as well as bypass passport control lines and paper customs declarations when traveling internationally. Folks who don't come to Des Moines for the event would otherwise have to make the trek to Minneapolis or Chicago.

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TSA Pre-Check costs \$85 for a five-year membership. Global Entry is \$15 more.

Foley says if you travel just once a year, Pre-Check works out to 15-dollars per round-trip flight, or just seven-50 each way.

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Wait times in the Pre-Check line are typically less than five minutes, he says, a huge convenience for rushed travelers.

The Global Entry event is being held at DSM today through Thursday.

The next event is scheduled for June.