DaVita Inc. Appoints Thomas Scully to Its Board of Directors

DaVita, Inc. announced today Thomas A. Scully has accepted a position on its Board of Directors.

Mr. Scully, age 42, has many years of experience in healthcare regulation and legislation. From 1993 to 1995, he was a partner in the Washington D.C. firm of Patton Boggs, LLP, where his practice focused on regulatory and legislative work in healthcare. Currently, he is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Federation of American Hospitals, the trade association representing the nation's 1700 privately owned and managed community hospitals and health systems.

"We are pleased that Tom is joining our board of directors. His background and skills add a new level of depth and expertise to our board. We look forward to working with him," stated Kent Thiry, Chairman and CEO.

DaVita, based in Torrance, California, is the nation's second-largest provider of dialysis services for patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. The Company owns and operates kidney dialysis centers and home peritoneal dialysis programs in 32 states, as well as Washington, D.C. It also provides acute hemodialysis services to inpatients at approximately 290 hospitals. As of August 31, 2000, DaVita operated 487 outpatient dialysis facilities serving over 40,000 patients, including 4,700 patients in 55 centers under management.

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