DaVita Announces Appointment of Elizabeth B. Kelly, Vice President

DaVita Inc. announced today that Elizabeth B. Kelly has joined DaVita as Vice President, Corporate Development and Mergers and Acquisitions.

Ms. Kelly has joined DaVita after eight years with Integrated Health Services, Inc., a leading provider of post-acute healthcare services. While at Integrated, Ms. Kelly served as Executive Vice President overseeing the company's merger and acquisition strategy and activities, completing 150 transactions that facilitated the company's revenue growth from $250 million to over $3 billion. Previously she was at Oxford Partners, a venture capital partnership specializing in early stage high technology investments. She received her Masters in Business Administration from New York University and her BS in Economics from Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania.

"We are now actively pursuing acquisitions to expand our network and enhance our local market positions. Beth is a seasoned mergers and acquisitions executive and we are excited to have her join our team," stated Richard Whitney, CFO.

DaVita is a leading provider of dialysis services for patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. The Company owns and operates kidney dialysis centers and home peritoneal dialysis programs domestically in 32 states, as well as Washington, D.C. As of September 30, 2001 we operate 492 outpatient dialysis facilities serving over 42,000 patients, including 3,100 patients in 30 centers under management. It also provides acute hemodialysis services to inpatients at approximately 280 hospitals.

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