# DaVita Acquires Four Dialysis Facilities

DaVita Inc. , today announced acquisitions covering four dialysis facilities that occurred during the 4th Quarter.

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DaVita acquired Downriver Centers, Inc. located in Allen Park, Michigan. Ram Prasad, M.D. is the Medical Director of the center which serves approximately 150 patients. This acquisition further strengthens DaVita's presence in southeastern Michigan and will continue to provide quality care to its patients.

DaVita also acquired a center from East Georgia Regional Dialysis, L.L.C in Statesboro, Georgia. This center serves approximately 60 patients and complements DaVita's existing center in Statesboro. James Bazemore, M.D. is serving as the Medical Director of this center.

Comprehensive Renal Care of Northlake, L.L.C. sold its dialysis center in Tucker, Georgia to DaVita. This center serves approximately 60 patients, and, with Saied Murphy, M.D. as Medical Director, adds to DaVita's presence in Atlanta.

Finally, DaVita acquired Orleans Metropolitan Dialysis Clinic, LLC, located in New Orleans, LA. Luis Uribe, M.D. is the Medical Director of the recently opened center.

Kent Thiry, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of DaVita, commented, "These acquisitions show DaVita's commitment to continue to thoughtfully grow with quality partners in important locations. With these outstanding physicians and teammates, we are committed to providing the highest level of service to these patients, their families and communities."

DaVita is a leading provider of dialysis services for patients suffering from chronic kidney failure. The Company operates and provides administrative services to kidney dialysis centers and home peritoneal dialysis programs domestically in 37 states, as well as Washington, D.C. As of September 30, 2004, DaVita operates or provides administrative services to 636 outpatient facilities serving 53,000 patients.

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