DaVita Honored for 4th Year as Training Top 125 Recipient

Dialysis Provider Ranked 3rd Among US For-Profit Healthcare Companies

DaVita Inc., a leading provider of kidney care services, announced it has been honored for the fourth consecutive year by Training Magazine as one of the Top 125 ranking companies of employee-sponsored workforce training and development. The recognition is awarded to organizations that demonstrate a deep commitment to learning and development excellence.

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"DaVita's teammate orientation and leadership training is top-notch," said Bill Shannon, Chief Wisdom Officer at DaVita®. "We have spent many hours developing an education curriculum that emphasizes the importance of both personal and professional development. We believe each of our teammates has the potential to become a great leader, and our job is to empower them with the appropriate tools to succeed."

Training Magazine is in its seventh year of granting the award. Each company is measured by quantitative and qualitative research that takes into consideration the following criteria: organization size, training tied to business objectives, leadership development and number of trainers, among other qualifying factors. DaVita has received this award for four consecutive years. This year, DaVita ranked No. 77 on Training Magazine's Training Top 125. The publication noted DaVita as one of the best among US for-profit healthcare companies. As part of DaVita's commitment to creating a supportive and rewarding environment, the company has also launched and sustains numerous programs dedicated to building healthy, caring communities for its patients, teammates and the world.

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About DaVita Inc.

DaVita Inc., a FORTUNE 500® company, is a leading provider of kidney care services in the United States, providing dialysis services for patients with chronic kidney failure and end stage renal disease. DaVita manages over 1,300 outpatient facilities and acute units in over 700 hospitals located in 43 states and the District of Columbia, serving more than 107,000 patients. For more information about DaVita, its kidney education and its community programs, please visit www.davita.com.

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