FORTUNE Magazine Ranks DaVita #1 Health Care Medical Facility in Innovation, Investment and Quality

Fourth Consecutive Year DaVita Ranks as One of the World's Most Admired Companies

DaVita Inc., a leading provider of kidney care services, today accepted the honor by FORTUNE Magazine as one of the top health care facilities in the country. DaVita® ranked #1 in the field of Health Care Medical Facilities for innovation, Long-Term Investment and Quality of Products and Services. Overall, the company ranked 2nd in the Health Care Medical Facilities category and remains the only kidney care company to make FORTUNE Magazine's World's Most Admired Companies for list 2009. The recognition is awarded annually through FORTUNE Magazine, the definitive report card on corporate reputations.

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"DaVita remains committed to shaping the future of health care through our unyielding commitment to quality clinical outcomes and chronic disease management. Our highest priority is delivering quality kidney care to our more than 110,000 patients," said Kent Thiry, DaVita Chairman and CEO. "Today's recognition that DaVita is #1 in Innovation, Long-Term Investment and Quality of Products and Services is a wonderful recognition for the work that has been done by so many of our teammates and nephrologist partners."

A total of 689 companies from 28 countries were surveyed for this year's list. The survey covers 64 industries: 25 international industries and 39 primarily U.S.-market industries. To create the 64 industry lists, executives, directors, and analysts were asked to rate companies in their own industry on nine criteria, from investment value to social responsibility. This year only the best are listed: A company's score must rank in the top half of its industry survey to be listed.

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About DaVita Inc.

DaVita Inc., a FORTUNE 500® company, is a leading provider of kidney care in the United States, providing dialysis services and education for patients with chronic kidney failure and end stage renal disease. DaVita manages more than 1,400 outpatient facilities and acute units in more than 700 hospitals located in 43 states and the District of Columbia, serving approximately 110,000 patients. As part of DaVita's commitment to building a healthy, caring community, DaVita develops, participates in and donates to numerous programs dedicated to transforming communities and creating positive, sustainable change for children, families and our environment. For more information about DaVita, its kidney education and its community programs, please visit www.davita.com.

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