DaVita HealthCare Partners Completes Leadership Changes

DaVita HealthCare Partners completes transitions among executive leadership.

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via PRWEB - DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc. (NYSE: DVA) today announced the completion of previously announced transitions among its executive leadership team.

Chief Executive Officer Robert J. Margolis, M.D. will transition his role as CEO to Craig E. Samitt, M.D., effective March 1. Dr. Margolis will continue to be actively involved as a strategic advisor focused on growth and advocacy initiatives as well as continuing in his role as Co-Chairman and Board member of DaVita HealthCare Partners.

"It's an honor to succeed an incredible leader who created an organization that serves as a national role model for integrated and coordinated care," said Dr. Samitt. "Our entire team is thankful for his leadership and his service to so many patients over the years."

"We continue to build on the quality tradition of HealthCare Partners' legacy leadership team," said Dennis Kogod, chief operating officer of DaVita HealthCare Partners. "From the foundation Bob has built, HealthCare Partners will continue to develop its potential and pursue its vision for the national healthcare delivery system."

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DaVita HealthCare Partners, a Fortune 500® company, is the parent company of DaVita and HealthCare Partners. DaVita is a leading provider of kidney care in the United States and abroad, delivering dialysis services to patients with chronic kidney failure and end stage renal disease. As of December 31, 2013, DaVita operated or provided administrative services at 2,074 outpatient dialysis centers in the United States serving approximately 168,000 patients, and at 73 centers in ten countries outside of the United States. HealthCare Partners® manages and operates medical groups and affiliated physician networks in California, Nevada, Florida, Arizona and New Mexico in its pursuit to deliver excellent-quality health care in a dignified and compassionate manner. As of December 31, 2013, HealthCare Partners provided integrated care management for approximately 765,000 managed care patients. For more information, please visit DaVitaHealthCarePartners.com.

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