DaVita HealthCare Partners and Arizona Integrated Physicians Join Forces

TORRANCE, Calif.--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Sep. 16, 2013-- HealthCare Partners, LLC, a Torrance, Calif.-based physician-led organization that manages and operates medical groups and affiliated physician networks in California, Nevada, New Mexico and Florida, today announced a merger with Arizona Integrated Physicians (AIP). AIP is one of Arizona's largest independent physician networks and comprises more than 700 physicians.

"AIP is a great addition to the HealthCare Partners family and further expands our geographic coverage to Arizona," said Robert J. Margolis, M.D., CEO of HealthCare Partners and co-chairman ofDaVita HealthCare Partners Inc. "We are excited to join forces with AIP and its talented physician community to partner with area hospitals and other clinical organizations to deliver patient-centered, coordinated care throughout Arizona."

"Like HealthCare Partners, our core values have always centered on putting patients first and keeping people healthy through the delivery of innovative, evidence-based health care," said AIP CEO Keith Dines. "HealthCare Partners is nationally recognized for best practices in care and continually improving patient satisfaction. We look forward to sharing in the positive impact that the HealthCare Partners model of care will bring."

HealthCare Partners LLC is a subsidiary of DaVita HealthCare Partners.

About DaVita HealthCare Partners

DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc. (NYSE: DVA), 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, delivering dialysis services to patients with chronic kidney failure and end stage renal disease. As ofJune 30, 2013, DaVita operated or provided administrative services at 2,010 outpatient dialysis centers in the United States serving approximately 159,000 patients, and at 48 centers in ten countries outside of the United States. HealthCare Partners manages and operates medical groups and affiliated physician networks in California, Nevada, New Mexico, and Florida in its pursuit to deliver excellent-quality health care in a dignified and compassionate manner. As of June 30, 2013,HealthCare Partners provided integrated care management for approximately 733,000 managed care patients. For more information, please visit DaVitaHealthCarePartners.com.

About Arizona Integrated Physicians (AIP)

AIP is a physician-owned West Valley-based organization comprised of more than 700 physicians, including approximately 175 primary care physicians and 525 specialty care physicians in Arizona. AIP was founded in 1994 and has evolved to become a nationally recognized leader in implementing comprehensive quality and care management programs, pay-for-performance models, outcome improvement measures and tiered provider reimbursement models tied to quality measures and patient outcomes. As a physician-owned and -governed organization, AIP is dedicated to becoming a virtual medical group and clinically integrated physician network that enhances the viability and sustainability of independent physicians. For information, please visit www.arizonaphysicians.com.

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