Tens of Thousands of DaVita Teammates and Guests Celebrate Another Year of Giving Life

Hundreds of local events recognize teammates' commitment to patients' quality of life

DENVER--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 23, 2012-- DaVita Inc. (NYSE: DVA), a leading provider of kidney care services that is committed to improving the quality of life for those diagnosed with chronic kidney disease (CKD), announced today that the company hosted celebrations at hundreds of locations around the nation from October 19-21. The celebrations honored DaVita teammates' continued dedication to patient care and commitment to the company's mission and values.

DaVita® clinical outcomes have improved year over year since 2000, including an industry-leading, all-time high survival rate for the most recent year measured. DaVita Chief Wisdom Officer Steve Priest says that while improving patients' survival rates is important, it's not the only thing the company is celebrating.

"For DaVita patients, quality of life – contributing to family and community, being comfortable and living with dignity – is just as important as sustaining life itself," Priest said. "DaVita teammates live our mission and values not only to support each other, but also so that our patients can have the fullest lives possible."

Select awards were presented to teammates for their commitment to DaVita's core values - service excellence, integrity, team, continuous improvement, accountability, fulfillment and fun. Teammates also had the chance to commend each other for their exceptional work by writing thank-you notes that were read at their local celebrations.

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About DaVita

DaVita Inc., a Fortune 500® company, 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. DaVitastrives to improve patients' quality of life by innovating clinical care, and by offering integrated treatment plans, personalized care teams and convenient health-management services. As of June 30, 2012, DaVita operated or provided administrative services at 1,884 outpatient dialysis centers located in the United States serving approximately 149,000 patients. The company also operated 19 outpatient dialysis centers located in four countries outside the United States. DaVita supports numerous programs dedicated to creating positive, sustainable change in communities around the world. The company's leadership development initiatives and social responsibility efforts have been recognized by Fortune, Modern Healthcare, Newsweek and WorldBlu. For more information, please visit www.davita.com.

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