DaVita Prepares Dialysis Patients for Weather and Related Emergencies

DENVER, Nov 23, 2010 (BUSINESS WIRE) -- DaVita Inc. (NYSE: DVA), a leading provider of kidney care services for those diagnosed with chronic kidney disease (CKD) and end stage renal disease (ESRD), announced today important emergency preparedness information for dialysis patients during the upcoming winter season. DaVita® is reminding patients and their families to prepare for natural disasters, including snow storms and flooding that can cause clinic and road closures.

Dialysis patients require treatments at least three times per week and are at high risk during natural disasters and weather-related emergencies. Patients depend on life-sustaining treatments most often administered in geographically dispersed outpatient centers across the country.

DaVita teammates (employees) are taking extensive measures to facilitate patients' access to dialysis treatment and necessary supplies days before upcoming storms.

In order to be prepared for unexpected emergency situations, DaVita recommends dialysis patients create an emergency kit that includes:

- Emergency phone numbers for your doctors and dialysis center, as well as contact information for a nearby dialysis center
- At least three day's worth of medications, as well as a list of the dosage amounts
- If diabetic, a week's worth of supplies (syringes, insulin, alcohol wipes, glucose monitoring strips)
- Access to clean water, food, can opener, first aid supplies and a battery operated flashlight and radio

For additional emergency preparedness information, DaVita has provided the following links.

Emergency preparedness for people with kidney disease

Preparing for the unexpected with home dialysis

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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 and education to patients with chronic kidney failure and end stage renal disease. As of September 30, 2010, DaVita operated or provided administrative services at 1,598 dialysis facilities, serving approximately 124,000 patients. DaVita develops, participates in and donates to numerous programs dedicated to transforming communities and creating positive, sustainable change for children, families and our environment. The company's leadership development initiatives and corporate social responsibility efforts have been recognized by *Fortune*,*Modern Healthcare*, *Newsweek* and WorldBlu, among others. For more information, please visitwww.davita.com.

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