HealthCare Partners Again Recognized for High Levels of Medicare Advantage Quality Achievement

EL SEGUNDO, Calif., Dec. 21, 2015 /PRNewswire/ -- DaVita HealthCare Partners (NYSE:DVA), a leading independent medical group in America and leading provider of kidney care services, today announced that HealthCare Partners Medical Group has received the Integrated Healthcare Association's (IHA) Medicare Advantage *4.5 Star* Award. Based on performance measurement year 2014, IHA's Medicare Star Award is given to physician groups and health systems in California for high levels of Medicare Advantage quality achievement.

"This independent assessment of HealthCare Partners' star performance underscores our deep commitment to providing quality care, while lowering costs and improving outcomes," said Pratibha Patel, M.D., president of HealthCare Partners California. "We're proud to have been recognized by the Independent Healthcare Association again this year, and look forward to improving healthcare delivery across the state of California in the years to come."

To earn this recognition, IHA evaluated HealthCare Partners' performance on individual Medicare Stars measures against national benchmarks provided by the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) which were then combined into a weighted overall Stars rating across a set of 14 Part C (Medicare Advantage) and Part D (Prescription Drug Plan) clinical measures.

About DaVita HealthCare Partners:
DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc., a Fortune 500® company, is the parent company of HealthCare Partners and DaVita Kidney Care. HealthCare Partners manages and operates medical groups and affiliated physician networks in Arizona, California, Nevada, New Mexico, Florida and Colorado in its pursuit to deliver excellent-quality health care in a dignified and compassionate manner. As of Sept. 30, 2015, HealthCare Partners provided integrated care management for approximately 808,000 patients. DaVita Kidney Care 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 of Sept. 30, 2015, DaVita Kidney Care operated or provided administrative services at 2,225 outpatient dialysis centers located in the United States serving approximately 177,000 patients. The company also operated 104 outpatient dialysis centers located in 10 countries outside the United States. For more information, please visit DaVitaHealthCarePartners.com.

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