DaVita Named Inaugural Member of Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index 2018

Company is one of only two health care companies globally and one of forty in the United States

DENVER, Jan. 22, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- DaVita Inc. (NYSE: DVA), a leading independent medical group and a leading provider of kidney care services in the United States, announced that it is one of more than 100 companies from ten industry sectors to join the inaugural 2018 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index (GEI). DaVita was included in part for its achievement of creating a majority diverse Board of Directors based on gender and race.

The index measures gender equality across internal company statistics, employee policies, external community support and engagement and gender-conscious product offerings. DaVita is the only Colorado-based company and just one of two health care organizations globally recognized. In addition, it is one of forty in the United States that was included in this membership.

"A governing body with a broader perspective and diverse backgrounds tends to bring more thoughtful outcomes," said Kent Thiry, chairman and CEO of DaVita. "We're committed to continuing gender balance within DaVita."

The 2018 GEI expands globally to represent 24 countries, including firms headquartered in Belgium, Chile, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Singapore and Taiwan for the first time. Companies range from a variety of sectors, including communications, consumer staples, energy, financials, materials and technology.

"We commend DaVita and the other 103 companies included in the 2018 GEI for their efforts to create work environments that support gender equality across a diverse range of industries," said Peter T. Grauer, DaVita board member, chairman of Bloomberg and founding chairman of the U.S. 30% Club. "Their leadership sets an important example that will help all organizations innovate and navigate the growing demand for diverse and inclusive workplaces."

DaVita submitted a social survey created by Bloomberg in partnership with third-party experts, including Women's World Banking, Catalyst, and Working Mother Media. Those included on this year's index scored at or above a global threshold established by Bloomberg to reflect disclosure and the achievement or adoption of best-in-class statistics and policies.

For more information on the 2018 Bloomberg Gender-Equality Index (GEI) visit http://bloomberg.com/professional/sustainable-finance/.

About DaVita Inc.
DaVita Inc., a Fortune 500® company, is the parent company of DaVita Kidney Care and DaVita Medical Group. 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 September 30, 2017, DaVita Kidney Care operated or provided administrative services at 2,470 outpatient dialysis centers located in the United States serving approximately 196,000 patients. The company also operated 230 outpatient dialysis centers located in 11 countries outside the United States. DaVita Medical Group manages and operates medical groups and affiliated physician networks in California, Colorado, Florida, Nevada, New Mexico, Pennsylvania and Washington in its pursuit to deliver excellent-quality health care in a dignified and compassionate manner. DaVita Medical Group's teammates, employed clinicians and affiliated clinicians provided care for approximately 1.7 million patients. For more information, please visit DaVita.com/About.

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