DaVita Kidney Care Highlights National Diabetes Month

Company shares resources to help individuals with diabetes assess their risk for kidney disease

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Kidney failure is a significant risk for those with diabetes, and diabetes is the leading contributor to kidney disease. One in three individuals with diabetes has kidney disease. Moreover, kidney disease is underdiagnosed among those with diabetes, as the symptoms often go unnoticed until it is too late.

"Knowing your risk is an important first step in becoming smart about kidney disease," said Dr. Stephen McMurray, vice president of clinical integrated care management services at DaVita Kidney Care. "We encourage patients to monitor their health and maintain an individually tailored diet in order to better manage both diabetes and kidney disease."

1 in 10 adults in the U.S. has chronic kidney disease, and many don't even know it. DaVita Kidney Care offers a free, 60-second <u>risk assessment quiz</u> to help educate the public about the risk factors that can lead to kidney disease. To encourage patients to maintain a healthy diet, DaVita offers a variety of kidney- and diabetes-friendly recipes on DaVita.com, as well as "Diabetes Diet Delights" downloadable cookbook at <u>DaVita.com/Cookbook</u>.

About DaVita HealthCare Partners

DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc., a Fortune 500® company, is the parent company of DaVita Kidney Care and HealthCare Partners. 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 June 30, 2014, DaVita Kidney Care operated or provided administrative services at 2,119 outpatient dialysis centers located in the United States serving approximately 168,000 patients. The company also operated 84 outpatient dialysis centers located in 10 countries outside the United States. HealthCare Partners manages and operates medical groups and affiliated physician networks in Arizona, 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, 2014, HealthCare Partners provided integrated care management for approximately 829,000 managed care patients. For more information, please visit DaVitaHealthCarePartners.com.

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