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Thiry took over the leadership of what was then called Total Renal Care in 1999 as it evolved into present day DaVita. Since that time Rodriguez has been a member of the senior leadership team and a key architect of the culture and business practices that have led to industry-leading, year-over-year improvements in clinical outcomes and strong business performance.

"We have a talented team that is dedicated and passionate about building on the strong legacy of innovation and quality care," said Rodriguez. "The future of health care will be challenging and exciting. Our network of physicians and caregivers provides a strong foundation for transforming the delivery of care."

About DaVita HealthCare Partners

DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc., a Fortune 500® company, is the parent company of DaVita and HealthCare Partners. DaVita 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 Dec. 31, 2013, DaVita operated or provided administrative services at 2,074 outpatient dialysis centers located in the United States serving approximately 163,000 patients. The company also operated 73 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 Dec. 31, 2013, HealthCare Partners provided integrated care management for approximately 760,000 managed care patients. For more information, please visit DaVitaHealthCarePartners.com.

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