DaVita HealthCare Partners Promotes Ethics in Nursing during National Nurses Week

Company recognizes thousands of nurses for delivering exceptional, ethical patient care; continues significant investment in education of its nurses

DENVER, May 6, 2015 / PRNewswire / -- DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc. (NYSE: DVA), one of the nation's largest and most innovative health care communities, recognizes its over 14,000 nurses during National Nurses Week, May 6-12, 2015.

"It's important to recognize and honor the dedication of our nurses, who are the backbone of our clinical care teams," said Kent Thiry, co-chairman and CEO of DaVita HealthCare Partners. "National Nurses Week is a global stage for us to appreciate their service excellence."

National Nurses Week was created by the American Nurses Association (ANA) to celebrate the role nurses play in delivering the best possible care to patients across the world. The core theme of this year's National Nurses Week centers on ethics in nursing, which highlights the need for nurses to advocate for the rights, health and safety of themselves and their patients within the medical community.

As the practice of nursing evolves, so do the ethical considerations that must be applied. This is why nurses of all specialties stay abreast of topics from ethics to clinical protocols and best practices with continuing education (CE) courses.

To support that commitment to lifelong learning, DaVita HealthCare Partners invests over \$6 million each year to produce over 500,000 hours of no-cost CE courses for its nurses. In fact, DaVita HealthCare Partners is creating a special CE course on ethics to support National Nurses Week.

To find out more about opportunities as a registered nurse with DaVita HealthCare Partners, visit www.Careers.DaVita.com or www.HealthCarePartners.com/Careers.

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 March 31, 2015, DaVita Kidney Care operated or provided administrative services at 2,197 outpatient dialysis centers located in the United States serving approximately 174,000 patients. The company also operated 93 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, Florida and Colorado in its pursuit to deliver excellent-quality health care in a dignified and compassionate manner. As of March 31, 2015 HealthCare Partners provided integrated care management for approximately 830,000 patients. For more information, please visit DaVitaHealthCarePartners.com.

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