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DaVita Inc., today announced results for the quarter ended March 31, 2002. Continental U.S. EBITDA excluding accounts receivable recoveries was \$91.9 million for the quarter. For the 12 months ended March 31, 2002 operating cash flow was \$256 million and free cash flow was \$219 million, both exclude recoveries and settlements.

Financial and operating highlights include:

Net earnings for the first quarter were \$34.6 million or \$0.39 per share. These results exclude first quarter cash recoveries of \$2.3 million associated with accounts receivable reserved in 1999. Net earnings for the quarter, including these recoveries, were \$36.0 million or \$0.40 per share.

- -- Continental U.S. dialysis revenue per treatment (excluding lab, management fees and other revenue) in the first quarter was \$290.45 as compared to \$283.19 in the fourth quarter, or a 2.6% sequential increase.
- -- Total continental U.S. treatments for the first quarter were 1,433,803. Both non-acquired and same center treatment growth were 4.2%.
- -- Continental U.S. DSO at quarter end was 73 days.
- -- Operating cash flow was \$85 million and free cash flow was \$77 million for the guarter.
- -- At March 31, 2002 we operated 495 outpatient centers in the continental U.S. serving approximately 43,000 patients. During the first quarter we closed 1 under-performing center, sold 1 center, opened 2 denovo centers and acquired 1 center. Included in this patient and center count are approximately 3,400 patients in 33 centers under management.

DaVita will hold a conference call to discuss its first quarter 2002 results on May 10, 2002 at 10 a.m. Eastern. The dial-in number is 800-399-4406. A replay of the conference call will be available on DaVita's official web page, <a href="http://www.davita.com/">http://www.davita.com/</a>, for the following 30 days.

This release contains forward-looking statements. Factors which could impact future results include the uncertainties associated with governmental regulation, general economic and other market conditions, and the risk factors set forth in the Company's SEC filings, including its Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2001. The forward-looking statements should be considered in light of these risks and uncertainties.

These risks include those relating to possible reductions in private and government reimbursement rates, the concentration of profits generated from PPO and private indemnity patients and from ancillary services including the administration of pharmaceuticals, the ongoing payment suspension and review of the Company's Florida laboratory subsidiary by its Medicare carrier and the Department of Justice, the ongoing review by the US Attorney's Office and HHS Office of Inspector General in Philadelphia and the Company's ability to maintain contracts with physician medical directors.

DAVITA INC.
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(unaudited)
(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

March 31, December 31, 2002 2001

ASSETS

Cash and cash equivalents \$31,697 \$36,711
Accounts receivable, less allowance of \$51,807 and \$52,475 \$344,238 333,546
Inventories 28.179 34.901

Other current assets	12,192	9,364
Deferred income taxes	58,987	60,142
Total current assets	475,293	474,664
Property and equipment, net	256,0	46 252,778
Amortizable intangible assets, ne	t 70,1	.89 73,108
Investments in third-party dialysi	s businesses	4,145 4,346
Other long-term assets	2,027	2,027
Goodwill	857,132	855,760
\$1,6	64,832 \$1,6	62,683

## LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Accounts payable	\$83,559	\$74,	630
Other liabilities	126,153	111,16	4
Accrued compensation and benefit	is {	36,213	88,826
Current portion of long-term debt	1,!	597	9,034
Income taxes payable	15,288	3 15	,027
Total current liabilities	312,810	298,6	81
Long-term debt	798,707	811,1	L90
Other long-term liabilities	4,725	5,0	12
Deferred income taxes	30,14	7 23	,441
Minority interests	21,423	20,72	2
Shareholders' equity:			

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Preferred stock (\$0.001 par value;

5,000,000 shares authorized; none issued

or outstanding)

Common stock (\$0.001 par value, 195,000,000 shares authorized; 87,017,029 and 85,409,037 shares issued) Additional paid-in capital 493,184 467,904 Retained earnings 91,986 56,008 Treasury stock, at cost (3,834,400 and

(20,360) 888,700 shares) (88,237) Total shareholders' equity 497,020 503,637

\$1,664,832 \$1,662,683

## DAVITA INC.

## CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (unaudited)

(dollars in thousands, except per share data)

Three months ended March 31, 2002 2001

\$0.40

\$0.35

Net operating revenues	\$427,665	\$386,217		
Operating expenses:				
Dialysis centers and labs	291,634	260,974		
General and administrative	36,053	31,813		
Depreciation and amortization	15,805	26,148		
Provision for uncollectible account	ts 5,255	(8,185)		
Total operating expenses	348,747	310,750		
Operating income	78,918	75,467		
Other income	565	1,348		
Debt expense	15,072	19,724		
Minority interests in income of consolidated				
subsidiaries	(2,433) (2	,457)		
Income before income taxes	61,978	54,634		
Income tax expense	26,000	23,700		
Net income	\$35,978	\$30,934		
Comprehensive income	\$35,978	\$30,934		
Basic earnings per common share	\$0.	43 \$0.37		
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DAVITA INC. SUPPLEMENTAL FINANCIAL DATA

Diluted earnings per common share

Financial Results: Q1 2002 Q4 2001 Q1 2001 Net Earnings, excluding recoveries \$34,600 and goodwill amortization(A) \$35,700 \$27,700 Basic EPS \$0.42 \$ 0.42 \$0.34 EPS assuming dilution \$0.39 \$ 0.39 \$0.31 EBITDA, excluding recoveries Consolidated (in 000's) \$92,500 \$96,300 \$85,600 \$91,900 Continental U.S. (in 000's) \$96,000 \$86,000 Continental EBITDA margin 21.7% 22.5% 22.5% Business Metrics (Continental U.S.): Category #1 Volume **Treatments** 1,433,803 1,481,958 1,366,468 Per day sequential increase 0.8% 1.4% 2.9% Per day year over year increase 6.2% 8.4% 4.7% 4.2% 4.6% 4.0% Same center growth Non-acquired growth 4.2% 4.6% 4.0% Category #2 Revenue, excluding recoveries Revenue (in 000's) \$424,000 \$426,000 \$383,000 Dialysis revenue per treatment \$290.45 \$283.19 \$274.22 Per treatment increase from 2.6% previous quarter 1.1% 2.9% Category #3 Expenses A. Dialysis centers and lab operating expenses Percent of revenue 68.0% 67.5% 67.2% Per treatment \$201.02 \$194.03 \$188.13 Per treatment increase from previous quarter 3.6% 1.5% 0.9% B. General & Administrative Percent of revenue 7.9% 8.3% 8.5% Per treatment \$25.14 \$22.82 \$23.28 Per treatment increase 4.9% from previous quarter 10.2% 4.3% C. Bad debt expense as a percent of revenue 1.8% 2.0% 2.0% D. Consolidated effective 42.0% 43.3% 43.4% tax rate Category #4 Cash Flow (Consolidated,

in 000's)

Operating cash flow \$85,000 \$26,000 \$58,000

Free cash flow (before share repurchase, acquisition and

development spending) \$77,000 \$12,000 \$55,000

Capital expenditures:

Development \$8,200 \$8,300 \$3,800 \$8,400 \$13,600 \$3,200 Routine maintenance/other Acquisition expenditures, net \$1,400 \$50,700

Category #5 Accounts Receivable

Net receivables (in 000's) \$337,000 \$325,000 \$296,000 DSO 73 72 71

Category #6 Debt/Capital Structure

(Consolidated)

Total debt (in 000's) \$800,000 \$820,000 \$940,000 Net debt, net of cash (in 000's) \$769,000 \$784,000 \$922,000

LTM leverage ratio 2.1x 2.1x 3.0x Shares repurchased (in 000's) 2.900 800 \$23.41 Average repurchase price \$23.02

Dialysis adequacy -- % of patients with URR > 65 88% 87% -- Dialysis adequacy -- % of patients with Kt/V > 1.2 92% 90% -- Anemia measure -- % of patients with HCT > 33 79% 79% -- Gross mortality 18.4% 18.2% --

(A) Effective January 1, 2002 the Company discontinued the amortization of goodwill. As a result, previously reported quarterly amounts have been restated for consistent presentation.

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