

Tour DaVita Raises \$1 Million for The Kidney TRUST

Organization Will Use Funds to Support Kidney Screening Program

DENVER--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Oct. 15, 2013-- [DaVita®](#), a division of DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc.(NYSE: DVA) and a leading provider of kidney care services, today announced that the seventh annual Tour DaVita® raised \$1 million for The Kidney TRUST™.

Tour DaVita is a three-day, 220-mile bike ride to raise awareness and funds for the fight against kidney disease. This year's beneficiary, [The Kidney TRUST](#), is a 501(c)(3) independent nonprofit organization that seeks to reduce the progression of chronic kidney disease through a no-cost, rapid [screening](#) in non-medical settings.

"The funds from this year's Tour DaVita will go a long way in supporting our mission," said Gloria Upchurch, program manager of The Kidney TRUST. "We will be able to continue helping communities around the country better understand their kidney health, including kidney disease risk factors."

More than 250 Tour DaVita participants had their kidneys screened at no cost by The Kidney TRUST during this year's event. It is estimated that one in 10 U.S. adults over the age of 20 has kidney disease, but may not be aware of it. In support of raising awareness, DaVita created an online [risk quiz](#) for people to learn about their kidney health.

[Tour DaVita](#) 2013 was held in upstate South Carolina with 570 participants cycling from Gaffney to Chester on day one; from Chester to Fountain Inn on day two; and from Fountain Inn to Seneca on day three.

To participate in Tour DaVita, riders each raised a minimum of \$750 in donations and paid their own travel expenses. Corporate sponsors also contributed to the fundraising efforts.

To date, Tour DaVita has helped raise more than \$5 million for nonprofits dedicated to raising awareness for kidney disease, providing kidney screenings and expanding access to dialysis care in developing countries. Participants have collectively ridden more than 533,000 miles over the course of seven years.

Corporate sponsors for this year's Tour DaVita included Amgen, ASD Healthcare, Baxter International Inc., Golden Construction Development Company, Inc. and NxStage Medical, Inc.

To find a no-cost screening near you, visit [kidneytrust.org](#).

For more information about the seventh annual Tour DaVita, please visit [tourdavita.org](#). For more information about The Kidney TRUST, please visit [kidneytrust.org](#).

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About DaVita

DaVita is the dialysis division of DaVita HealthCare Partners Inc., a Fortune 500® company that, through its operating divisions, provides a variety of health care services to patient populations throughout the United States and abroad. A leading provider of kidney care in the United States, DaVita delivers dialysis services to patients with chronic kidney failure and end stage renal disease. DaVita strives to improve patients' quality of life by innovating clinical care, and by offering integrated treatment plans, personalized care teams and convenient health-management services. As of June 30, 2013, DaVita operated or provided administrative services at 2,010 outpatient dialysis centers located in the United States serving approximately 159,000 patients. The company also operates 48 outpatient dialysis centers located in ten countries outside the United States. DaVita supports numerous programs dedicated to creating positive, sustainable change in communities around the world. The company's leadership development initiatives and social responsibility efforts have been recognized by Fortune, Modern Healthcare, Newsweek and WorldBlu. For more information, please visit [DaVita.com](#).

About The Kidney TRUST

Founded in 2006, The Kidney TRUST is a national non-profit organization dedicated to reducing the human and economic cost of kidney disease. The Kidney TRUST is focused on increasing awareness of chronic kidney disease (CKD) through public education and early-detection testing programs so that progression of CKD to kidney failure can be delayed or prevented. The Kidney TRUST is also developing innovative solutions to address the critical unmet needs of people with CKD.

Visit [www.kidneytrust.org](#) for more information.

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