

DENVER, May 24, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- [DaVita Kidney Care](#), a division of DaVita Inc. (NYSE: DVA), a leading provider in kidney care services, is excited to announce the hiring of Eric Severson as the company's new chief people officer.

Severson has 15 years of executive level human resources experience with Gap Inc. where he proved himself to be a top innovator for leading talent practices in the workplace. Most recently, he served as the co-chief human resources officer and SVP for Global Talent Solutions. Prior to Gap Inc., Severson spent nearly 10 years at Macy's in employee and labor relations and store operations.

"I look forward to bringing my past experiences and best practices in human resources to this role," said Eric Severson, chief people officer for DaVita. "I believe we can continue to provide quality care to our patients while also creating a special place to work for DaVita teammates."

Severson is also actively engaged in projects such as serving on the board of HR People & Strategy and several non-profit organizations. He previously served on the National Advisory Council on Innovation & Entrepreneurship advising the U.S. Commerce Department on the evolving workplace.

Severson earned a bachelor's degree in English from Penn State University and a master's in English from Arizona State University.

#### **About DaVita Kidney Care**

DaVita Kidney Care is a division of DaVita 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 dialysis services in the United States, DaVita Kidney Care treats patients with chronic kidney failure and end stage renal disease. DaVita Kidney Care 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 March 31, 2017, DaVita Kidney Care operated or provided administrative services at 2,382 outpatient dialysis centers located in the United States serving approximately 189,400 patients. The company also operated 162 outpatient dialysis centers located in 11 countries outside the United States. DaVita Kidney Care 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](#).

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