

Modern Healthcare Names DaVita One of the Best Places to Work

Modern Healthcare announced its inaugural list of the top 100

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DaVita Inc., a leading provider of kidney care services for those diagnosed with chronic kidney failure and disease (CKD), was named in the top 100 of Modern Healthcare's Best Places to Work in Healthcare. DaVita®, ranked 66th on the list, is the only nationwide healthcare services company on the list.

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Modern Healthcare conducted this program to recognize outstanding employers in the healthcare industry on a national level. Employers completed a survey detailing company policies, practices benefits and demographics. Employees were asked an in-depth set of questions that resulted in an analysis in eight core areas: leadership and planning, culture and communications, role satisfaction, working environment, relationship with supervisor, training and development, pay and benefits and overall satisfaction.

"Like many healthcare companies, we recognize that working in hands-on healthcare is not an easy task; therefore we have made it our mission to ensure our teammates are fulfilled when they come to work," said Laura Mildenerger, DaVita's Chief People Officer. "We strive to be a community first and a company second. Our teammates appreciate this unique business approach."

"Modern Healthcare's Best Places to Work in Healthcare" program identifies and recognizes healthcare organizations that have successfully built workplace excellence and enabled employees to perform at their optimal level said Fawn Lopez, Publisher of Modern Healthcare.

The complete list is available online at <http://www.modernhealthcare.com/bestplacestowork>.

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About DaVita Inc.

DaVita Inc., a FORTUNE 500® company, is a leading provider of kidney care in the United States, providing dialysis services and education for patients with chronic kidney failure and end stage renal disease. DaVita manages more than 1,400 outpatient facilities and acute units in more than 700 hospitals located in 43 states and the District of Columbia, serving approximately 110,000 patients. As part of DaVita's commitment to building a healthy, caring community, DaVita develops, participates in and donates to numerous programs dedicated to transforming communities and creating positive, sustainable change for children, families and our environment. For more information about DaVita and its kidney education programs, please visit <http://www.davita.com/>.

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