

# DaVita's Chief Medical Officer Honored by Renal Physicians Association

DENVER, March 20, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- [DaVita Kidney Care](#), a division of DaVita Inc. (NYSE: DVA) and a leading provider of kidney care services in the United States, today celebrates Allen R. Nissenson, M.D. FACP, chief medical officer for DaVita Kidney Care, for receiving the Distinguished Nephrology Service Award from the [Renal Physicians Association](#) (RPA) at its annual meeting last Friday.

"I'm deeply honored to be recognized by my peers for my work in nephrology," said Dr. Nissenson. "It's truly fulfilling to have a career where I have been able to help the incredible patients with kidney disease who fight so hard every day to lead the lives they deserve."

The Distinguished Nephrology Service Award is presented to an RPA member who has contributed to nephrology in the field of socioeconomics or clinical practice, and who has impacted the clinical care of kidney patients. The recipient has been nominated by fellow members, and nominations are based on a member's demonstration of local and/or national leadership that is aligned with the RPA's mission and goals.

Dr. Nissenson has been an RPA member for over 25 years. He has previously served as President of the RPA Board of Directors and in many other RPA leadership positions.

Dr. Nissenson became DaVita's chief medical officer in 2008 and has since led the company's clinical strategy to improve patient outcomes and health-related quality of life. He has developed several key programs that have contributed to DaVita's ability to improve its clinical outcomes, including the [Patient-Focused Quality Pyramid](#), which was published in the Clinical Journal of the American Society of Nephrology and has been widely embraced by the kidney care community as well as the Center for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS).

To learn more about Dr. Nissenson or other physicians who work in the Office of the Chief Medical Officer at DaVita, please visit [DaVita.com/Physicians](#).

## 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 December 31, 2016, DaVita Kidney Care operated or provided administrative services at 2,350 outpatient dialysis centers located in the United States serving approximately 188,000 patients. The company also operated 154 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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