

The Everett Clinic Announces Senior Leadership Transitions

Rick Cooper to retire; Dr. Aric Coffman to serve as CEO and market president

EVERETT, Wash., Jan. 31, 2018 /PRNewswire/ -- The Everett Clinic, a [DaVita Medical Group](#) and division of DaVita Inc. (NYSE: DVA), announced that effective today its chief executive officer (CEO) and market president, Rick Cooper, will retire after more than 40 years of service and Dr. Aric Coffman will step in as CEO and market president.

This leadership transition follows The Everett Clinic's recent growth in the community, with the openings of clinics in [Bothell](#) and [Woodinville](#).

"It has been my great privilege and honor to work in this community for the past four decades," said Rick Cooper, CEO and market president at The Everett Clinic. "As a physician, Aric brings an important clinical perspective to market strategy and operations and I'm confident that I'm leaving my post at The Everett Clinic in good hands."

In his tenure, Rick helped establish the clinic as one of the most successful independent medical groups in the Pacific Northwest, earning a reputation for excellence in patient care and the introduction of innovative initiatives that help lower health care costs and price transparency for patients. In addition, Rick has also led the company to be nationally recognized, including *Fortune* magazine's designation as a Best Place to Work and the *Puget Sound Business Journal's* Top Corporate Philanthropist.

"Rick is an incredible example of what dedication to providing high quality, coordinated health care to a community can accomplish," said Aric Coffman, MD, market president at DaVita Medical Group New Mexico. "I'm thrilled to follow in his footsteps at The Everett Clinic and continue the work toward growth and realizing our goal of being the essential out-patient focused healthcare system serving Snohomish and North King counties."

Aric has served in several DaVita Medical Group leadership roles within the past 12 years including residency program director, associate medical director of specialty care, senior medical director and chief medical officer. In addition, Aric was an influential part of [DaVita Medical Group's recent brand launch in Albuquerque, New Mexico](#).

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Founded in 1924, The Everett Clinic, a DaVita Medical Group, is a nationally-recognized physician group known for providing high-quality healthcare services while lowering the overall cost of care. The Everett Clinic operates 30 care sites throughout Snohomish and King Counties caring for more than 330,000 patients and employing about 2,400 teammates, including almost 600 specialty and primary care providers. It serves patients through traditional doctor's offices, urgent care, lab services, imaging, hearing and vision centers, behavioral health, and cancer treatment. Consistently named as a Fortune Magazine "100 Best Companies to Work For," The Everett Clinic staff and providers support the core value of doing what is right for each patient.

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