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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

Person *	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DAVITA INC [DVA]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
	(Month/Day/Year) 02/29/2012	Director 10% Owner _X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Senior Vice President		
	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
	Filed(Month/Day/Year)			
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(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tabl	e I - Non-D	Derivative S	Securi	ities Acqu	iired, Disposed of	, or Beneficiall	y Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit or(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4	sposed	of (D)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock	02/29/2012		Code V M	Amount 16,250	(D)	Price \$ 52.12	27,253	D	
Common Stock	02/29/2012		D	9,762	D	\$ 86.76	17,491	D	

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of or Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) A)		7. Title and Amo Underlying Secu (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Ar or Nu of
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 52.12	02/29/2012		M	16,250	03/14/2009(1)	03/14/2012	Common Stock	10

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Usilton Thomas O C/O DAVITA INC. 1551 WEWATTA STREET DENVER, CO 80202

Senior Vice President

Signatures

/s/ Kim M. Rivera
Attorney-in-Fact
03/01/2012

**Signature of Reporting Person Da

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan (as amended and restated, the "DaVita Inc. 2011 Incentive (1) Award Plan", effective June 6, 2011), which vested 25% on the second anniversary of the grant date, 12.5% on the 20th month following the grant date, and 12.5% every four months thereafter.

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