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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Ad Person <u>*</u> HEARTY	-	-	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol DAVITA INC. [DVA]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/31/2018	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
C/O DAVIT 16TH STRE		2000		(Check	all applicable)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
DENVER,Â	(Street)	02		Director 10% Owner X_ Officer Other (give title below) (specify below) Chief Compliance Officer				ow)
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - I	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secur (Instr. 4)	ity		2. Amount of Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne: (Instr.	•	
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
		(Instr. 4)	Price of	Derivative	(Instr. 5)	
	Date Exercisable	Title	Derivative	Security:		
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		Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	
Restricted Stock Units	05/15/2018	07/24/2019	Common Stock	450	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	06/02/2018 <u>(1)</u>	09/02/2020	Common Stock	746	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	05/15/2019(2)	08/13/2021	Common Stock	827	\$ 0	D	Â
Restricted Stock Units	05/15/2020(3)	09/06/2022	Common Stock	457	\$ 0	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Rights	04/24/2018(4)	04/24/2019	Common Stock	3,601	\$ 69.38	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Rights	05/13/2019 <u>(5)</u>	05/13/2021	Common Stock	3,308	\$ 75.42	D	Â
Stock Appreciation Rights	05/15/2020(6)	06/06/2022	Common Stock	2,283	\$ 65.48	D	Â

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships					
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other		
HEARTY JAMES O C/O DAVITA INC. 2000 16TH STREET DENVER, CO 80202	Â	Â	Chief Compliance Officer	Â		
DENVER,A COA 80202						

Signatures

/s/ Arturo Sida, Attorney-in-Fact <u>**</u>Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(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).
- (1) These restricted stock units are scheduled to vest 50% each on 6/2/2018 and 6/2/2019, subject to continued service through each applicable vesting date.
- (2) These restricted stock units are scheduled to vest 50% each on 5/15/2019 and 5/15/2020, subject to continued service through each applicable vesting date.
- (3) These restricted stock units are scheduled to vest 50% each on 5/15/2020 and 5/15/2021, subject to continued service through each applicable vesting date.
- (4) The Stock Appreciation Rights were granted on 4/24/2014. 50% vested on 4/24/2017 and the remaining 50% will vest on 4/24/2018.
- (5) The Stock Appreciation Rights were granted on 5/13/2016. 50% will vest on 5/13/2019 and the remaining 50% will vest on 5/13/2020.
- (6) The Stock Appreciation Rights were granted on 6/6/2017. 50% will vest on 5/15/2020 and the remaining 50% will vest on 5/15/2021.

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