

Nissenson Allen
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
Nissenson Allen

(Last) (First) (Middle)
C/O DAVITA INC., 1551
WEWATTA AT.
(Street)

DENVER, CO 80202

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
DAVITA INC [DVA]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
05/17/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chief Medical Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	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 Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Common Stock	05/17/2011		M		4,866	A	\$ 56.14
Common Stock	05/17/2011		F		3,200	D	\$ 85.39
Common Stock	05/17/2011		S		1,666	D	\$ 86 925
Common Stock	05/17/2011		M		1,867	A	\$ 46.26
Common Stock	05/17/2011		F		1,012	D	\$ 85.39

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Common Stock 05/17/2011 S 855 D \$ 86 925 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 56.14	05/17/2011		M	4,866	08/01/2009 ⁽¹⁾ 08/01/2013	Common Stock	4,866
Stock Appreciation Right	\$ 46.26	05/17/2011		M	1,867	03/02/2010 ⁽¹⁾ 03/02/2014	Common Stock	1,867

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Nissenson Allen C/O DAVITA INC. 1551 WEWATTA AT. DENVER, CO 80202			Chief Medical Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Kim M. Rivera 05/19/2011
Attorney-in-Fact

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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).
- (1) Stock Appreciation Right, pursuant to the 2002 Equity Compensation Plan, which vest 25% on the first anniversary of the grant date, 8.33% on the 20th month following the grant date, and 8.33% every 4 months thereafter.

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