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At DaVita, environmental stewardship is ingrained in our business practices as a pillar of our Trilogy of Care: Caring for Our Patients, Caring for Each Other and Caring for Our World. We aggressively pursue solutions that reduce our environmental footprint without compromising patient care. Each year, our teammates (employees) raise the bar for conservation, stewardship and sustainability measures in the more than 2,000 DaVita dialysis facilities and offices.

In 2010, DaVita teammates from across the country voted on our 2015 environmental goals to reduce energy, water and paper and to increase education and environmentally responsible procurement. To achieve these goals by the 2015 target date would require significant interdepartmental collaboration and support from more than 500 advocates in the field, aptly named “green champions.” The cross collaboration between teams such as purchasing, facilities, innovation and clinical operations enables us to purchase green, build green and operate in a more sustainable manner. Thanks to this teamwork and collaboration, 2014 is a year of celebrating successes.

Energy (electricity and natural gas) across our entire operations was reduced 8 percent per treatment; energy in specific pilot locations was reduced 15 percent per treatment using energy management systems to achieve that goal. Water consumption was reduced by 14 percent, surpassing our goal of a 10 percent reduction, due to procedural changes in preparing water for dialysis. These changes are projected to save more than 360 million gallons of water annually. Purchasing no longer focuses solely on the procurement of a product, but now focuses on the entire system, from manufacturing to delivery. Teammates benefit from “take it home” campaigns that focus on greening actions in personal residences versus the workplace. One example is the distribution of seedlings to more than 500 teammates in our Tacoma, Washington, office to start urban gardens.

Our aggressive Village environmental goals speak to our philosophy of continuous improvement. What our Village has accomplished thus far has been remarkable, but we have much more to do. As our sustainability program continues to grow and evolve along with our Village, one thing will never waver — our commitment to environmental leadership.



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