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Dialysis Patient Citizens Releases First Data from Patient Survey *Encouraging Results Show High Level of Satisfaction with Dialysis Care*

(Washington, DC) – Today, Dialysis Patient Citizens (DPC) released the first data in a series of results from a recent survey of its kidney disease patient membership. The encouraging data highlights a high level of patient satisfaction with the care provided by dialysis facilities.

When patients were asked, *How would you rate the quality of care you currently receive at your dialysis facility?*, DPC members responded with a mean score of 8.5 on a scale of 1-10, with 10 being the highest rating. The data demonstrates that nearly 80% of respondents said they are currently highly satisfied with their care by responding with a rating of 8 or higher. The survey also showed that only 2% of patients were highly unsatisfied with their care, which was indicated by giving a score of 0-2 on the scale.

The full patient satisfaction survey results can be [found here](#), as well as information on the importance of this issue as it relates to how Congress and the Administration deal with the planned Medicare budget cuts due to sequestration. DPC will release further data points throughout the fall and early next year surrounding other important patient care and public policy topics.

To ensure non-biased results, DPC partnered with Ipsos, a global independent market research firm, to disseminate and compile the results. The survey was also made possible through support from Abbott Nutrition.

About Dialysis Patient Citizens: DPC is America's largest patient-led organization representing dialysis patients. With a membership of more than 24,000 dialysis and pre-dialysis patients and their families, DPC's mission is to improve the quality of life of dialysis patients by engaging policy makers, providers and the public. Through patient education, empowerment and advocacy, DPC works to increase awareness about kidney disease and promote favorable public policy.