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Military Veterans Health Care Services Company Selects Platte County for New Hub Location
TriWest Healthcare Alliance will create 500 new jobs

Kansas City, Mo. – TriWest Healthcare Alliance announced today the company has selected Kansas City, Missouri to launch a new Health Care Administrative Service Center, creating 500 new jobs in the region. TriWest serves the community health care needs of our nation’s veterans in 28 states as a partner to the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). TriWest administers VA’s Patient-Centered Community Care (PC3) program and Veterans Choice Program (VCP).

“We are pleased to have selected Kansas City as we expand our footprint and create new jobs to serve our nation’s veterans,” said David J. McIntyre, Jr. President and CEO of TriWest. “One of the reasons we selected Kansas City is the strong support of community leaders to increase economic opportunities for veterans, and we are proud to be coming here, where we will ultimately be serving the veterans who call the Midwest home.”

TriWest Healthcare Alliance will lease 64,000 sq. ft. in Kansas City, Missouri and will make a multi-million dollar capital investment. The company evaluated multiple locations and favored Kansas City because of the strong support of the state and the city in helping TriWest move quickly to open the site and begin operating, as well as the city’s commitment to the Veterans Economic Communities Initiative (VECI).

"Kansas City's role as a leading city of the Great Plains has made it attractive to talented, innovative people and the companies for which they work," Kansas City, Missouri Mayor Sly James said. "It is more than a pleasure to welcome TriWest Healthcare Alliance. It is a special privilege for Kansas City to be a key service center location for a company serving military veterans."

Presiding Commissioner Ron Schieber joined Governor Nixon and Mayor Sly James in welcoming TriWest saying “It’s an exciting day for Platte County to be part of another new investment and a company hiring quality jobs with a proven track record of success.” Alicia Stephens, Executive Director for the Platte County Economic Development Council echoed his sentiment, “Announcements like this illustrate quite clearly that in Platte County we are continuing to build a thriving community via partnerships.”

The Platte County Economic Development Council partnered with a number of organizations to attract TriWest Healthcare Alliance to the KC region including the Kansas City Area Development

Council; Kessinger/Hunter & Co., LLC; U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; State of Missouri; Missouri Partnership; Economic Development Corporation of Kansas City, Missouri; KCP&L; Aerotek; Colliers International; Missouri Gas Energy; Missouri Career Center and Full Employment Council.

TriWest will begin operations in Kansas City in early September 2015 with hiring beginning immediately. TriWest encourages those who have a desire to serve America's veterans to seek career opportunities at its new Kansas City location and hopes to attract as many veterans as possible to its workforce.

TriWest's dedicated staff—with both military and business experience—brings together the best of the military and business worlds to ensure optimal organizational excellence. Interested candidates can visit **recruiter.triwest.com** to learn more.

"We are honored to welcome TriWest Healthcare Alliance to the KC metro," said Bob Marcusse, President and CEO, Kansas City Area Development Council. "The organization's service to our military veterans is important and admirable. They are a welcome addition to our regional business community."

About TriWest Healthcare Alliance

TriWest Healthcare Alliance serves our nation's heroes as the partner of the Department of Veterans Affairs in administering the Patient-Centered Community Care and Veterans Choice Program. TriWest has been On a Mission to Serve® America's military families and Veterans since 1996 delivering award-winning customer service and providing access to high-quality health care. The company's official website is www.triwest.com.

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