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ADAP Advocacy Association Releases 2009 Annual Report; Performance Against Priorities Demonstrates Continued Success

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (February 23, 2010) – The [ADAP Advocacy Association](http://www.adapadvocacyassociation.org), also known as **aaa+**, today released its 2009 Annual Report. The ADAP Advocacy Association had another successful year by all accounts in 2009, accomplishing many of its stated advocacy objectives to improve access to care for people living with HIV/AIDS. **aaa+** provided numerous meaningful educational opportunities for community stakeholders, expanded its national grassroots advocacy network and raised record-level funding for a small nonprofit in only its third year.

“From an organizational standpoint, 2009 was a banner year for the ADAP Advocacy Association, summarized **Brandon M. Macsata**, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy Association. “We recruited some top-notch community leaders to serve on our board of directors, we expanded our programmatic outreach to better educate people living with HIV infection, and we launched our '**End the Wait**' campaign to raise awareness about ADAP waiting lists and the perpetual under-funding of the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs. It is our goal to build upon these successes, and others, to further improve access to care for people living with HIV/AIDS.”

However, Macsata cautioned: “Despite our success, we – along with other national HIV/AIDS advocacy groups – witnessed an exacerbating growth in the number of people living with HIV/AIDS placed on waiting lists to access life-saving medications under the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs. In fact, ADAP waiting lists increased by over 1,000% last year so that by year’s end the waiting lists stood at 540 individuals in nine states.”

The 2009 Annual Report can be viewed online at <http://www.adapadvocacyassociation.org/publications.html>.

aaa+ promotes and enhances the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs and improves access to care for persons living with HIV/AIDS. **aaa+** works with advocates, community, health care, government, patients, pharmaceutical companies and other stakeholders to assure that access to services recognize and afford persons living with HIV/AIDS to enjoy a healthy life.

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