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## ADAP Advocacy Association Issues Call for Nominations for its 2011 Annual ADAP Leadership Awards; 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Awards Dinner to be held during 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference

Awards to recognize leaders who are working to improve access to care and treatment

For Immediate Release

WASHINGTON, D.C. (May 11, 2011) – The <u>ADAP Advocacy Association</u>, also known as <u>aaa+</u>, today opened nominations for its 2011 Annual ADAP Leadership Awards. The awards will <u>recognize individual</u>, <u>community</u>, government and corporate leaders who are working to improve access to care and treatment under the <u>AIDS</u> <u>Drug Assistance Programs</u>.

aaa+ will host its **1st Annual ADAP Leadership Awards Dinner on Wednesday, July 6th at 7:00 pm in Washington, DC**. The dinner will be held in conjunction with its 4th Annual Conference, being held at the Westin Washington DC City Center on July 5-7<sup>th</sup>.

A Call for Nominations has been issued for the following awards:

- ADAP Champion of the Year (individual): <u>https://www.123signup.com/event?id=vkxrm</u>
- ADAP Emerging Leader of the Year (individual): <u>https://www.123signup.com/event?id=vktgq</u>
- ADAP Corporate Partner of the Year: https://www.123signup.com/event?id=vktfm
- ADAP Community Organization of the Year: <u>https://www.123signup.com/event?id=vkxks</u>
- ADAP Lawmaker of the Year: https://www.123signup.com/event?id=vkxrk
- ADAP Social Media Campaign of the Year: <u>https://www.123signup.com/event?id=vktgy</u>
- ADAP Grassroots Campaign of the Year: https://www.123signup.com/event?id=vktfz
- ADAP Media Story of the Year: https://www.123signup.com/event?id=vkccj

"We contend that ADAP has long embodied what successful HIV/AIDS programs should look like, not only because ADAP keeps people living with HIV/AIDS healthy, productive members of their communities, but also because ADAP represents a strong public health 'Return on Investment' to the taxpayers," summarized by Brandon M. Macsata, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy Association. "In light of the escalating ADAP crisis, we feel that it is important to step back and reflect on the good work being done on ADAP by so many leaders - especially since during times like these it is often easy to focus on the crisis itself."

To submit nominations, go to http://www.adapadvocacyassociation.org/pressroom.html.

As of May 5th, there were 7,873 individuals in 11 states on ADAP waiting lists, including Arkansas: 63 people, Florida: 3,745 people, Georgia: 1,478 people, Idaho: 11 people, Louisiana: 650 people, Montana: 26 people, North Carolina: 216 people, Ohio: 378 people, South Carolina: 649 people, Virginia: 653 people and Wyoming: 4 people.

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To learn more about the 2011 Annual ADAP Leadership Awards, 2011 Annual Confernce, ADAP waiting lists, or the ADAP Advocacy Association, please contact Brandon M. Macsata by phone at (305) 519-4256 or email at info@adapadvocacyassociation.org.

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