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ADAP Advocacy Association Announces 5th Annual Conference; Event Themed "STAMP" Out ADAP Waiting Lists!

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (May 11, 2012) – The <u>ADAP Advocacy Association</u>, also known as <u>aaa+*</u>, today announced that it will host its 5th Annual Conference on August 19-21, 2012. The conference – held in partnership with the <u>Community Access National Network</u> (CANN) and <u>Housing Works</u> – is being themed the "AIDS Drug Assistance Program Crisis: "STAMP" Out ADAP Waiting Lists!" It is being held at the Westin Washington DC City Center, located at 1400 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20005.

"Our annual conference this year will build on the meaningful, results-driven dialogue that the organization has been spearheading over the last several months," said **Brandon M. Macsata**, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy Association. "The conference has traditionally focused on the importance of the federal government renewing its commitment to the AIDS Drug Assistance Program; while that issue will remain a focal point, we'll be hosting a litany of discussions on other national public-private strategies that will help to alleviate the ongoing ADAP waiting list crisis."

The conference will provide the platform for follow-up discussions on the ADAP Solutions Summit's Final Report, as well as the first opportunity to assemble HIV/AIDS stakeholders after the International AIDS Conference convenes the prior month. It will also showcase the **2nd Annual ADAP Leadership Awards Dinner on Monday, August 20th at 7:00 pm**.

ada+* will also "poll" is vast national network of ADAP stakeholders using social media networks to identify breakout session topics, and potential speakers. Said **Robert Breining**, ada+* board member & Founder of the <u>POZIAM.com</u> social network, "Social media is increasingly playing an important role in the educational and activism efforts in the HIV/AIDS community, and we're excited to continue our efforts to harness the power of this growing medium."

To register for the conference, or more about scholarship opportunities, go to http://www.adapadvocacyassociation.org/eyents.html.

To learn more about the ADAP Advocacy Association or its 5th Annual Conference, please contact Brandon M. Macsata by phone at (305) 519-4256 or email at info@adapadvocacyassociation.org.

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