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ADAP Advocacy Association Releases 2012 Annual Report; Successful Performance Against Priorities Achieves Results

ADAP Waiting Finally Decrease

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (July 11, 2013) – The <u>ADAP Advocacy Association</u>, also known as <u>aaa+*</u>, today released its 2012 Annual Report. After the AIDS Drug Assistance Program had being ravaged by the "Perfect Storm" for several years, ADAP waiting lists finally decreased during the year.

The challenges that led to waiting lists under the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs approaching nearly 10,000 patients finally subsided during the year, resulting in a dramatic reduction in ADAP waiting lists. The ADAP Advocacy Association continued to leverage its infrastructure and national network to cultivate relationships and ongoing partnerships among various ADAP stakeholders. The end result was educational patient-centered programming that continued to raise awareness that people living with HIV-infection were being denied access to timely and appropriate care.

"Whereas we're thrilled that the hard work of the entire HIV/AIDS community finally paid off with huge reductions in ADAP waiting lists nationwide last year, there remained at least fifty-eight reasons why our work wasn't completed entirely," said **Brandon M. Macsata**, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy Association. "That number represented the number of people living with HIV-infection who remained on ADAP waiting lists as of December 12, 2012. We need to commit ourselves to ensuring every single patient is receiving the access to care that they need, and deserve."

Building on the successes achieved in 2011, last year the organization escalated its educational programming to include an ADAP Solutions Summit in April 2012, 5th Annual Conference themed "Stamp Out ADAP Waiting Lists" in August 2012, as well as hosting its 2nd Annual ADAP Leadership Awards Gala.

The 2012 Annual Report can be viewed online at http://www.adapadvocacyassociation.org/publications.html.

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