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## ADAP Advocacy Association Concerned Over the Return of the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs Waiting Lists

WASHINGTON, D.C. (February 27, 2014) – The <u>ADAP Advocacy Association</u>, also known as <u>aaa+®</u>, today expressed concern over the news that waiting lists are once again being reported under the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAPs). According to the National Alliance of State & Territorial AIDS Directors, Utah has placed three people living with HIV/AIDS on its ADAP waiting list.

"Unfortunately, ADAP waiting lists returning should not come as a surprise; in fact, we were warned that the waiting list reprieve was temporary," stated **Brandon Macsata**, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy Association. "Even when all of the ADAP waiting lists were cleared late last year, there still remain numerous cost containment measures in twenty-two states that restricted access to care and treatment. Those barriers remain, so we must remain vigilant and make sure that the previous ADAP crisis doesn't repeat itself."

## NASTAD's latest ADAP Watch reports:

- Utah established a new waiting list on February 19, 2014.
- Ten ADAPs have had cost-containment measures in place since April 1, 2013 (reported as of February 4, 2014).
- Louisiana reports considering implementing new or additional cost-containment measures by the end of ADAP's current fiscal year (March 31, 2014).
- Seven ADAPs reported modifying or eliminating existing cost-containment measures since April 1, 2013 (reported as of February 4, 2014).
- Wyoming eliminated their enrollment cap on November 21, 2013.

To learn more about the ADAP Advocacy Association or ADAP waiting lists, please contact Brandon M. Macsata at info@adapadvocacyassociation.org.

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