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Calls for Greater Community and Stakeholder Collaboration

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The <u>ADAP Advocacy Association</u> – also known as aaa+[®] – today celebrated the federal theme for this year's World AIDS Day. "*The Time to Act is Now*," embodies the long-standing approach to the successful development, implementation and sustainability of the AIDS-related supports and services afforded to people living with HIV/AIDS over the last three decades. The future of the Ryan White program will depend on greater community and stakeholder collaboration.

"With so much uncertainty over key components of the Affordable Care Act, it is important for patients and their supporters to remain engaged on the issues confronting them," said Brandon M. Macsata, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy Association. "World AIDS Day represents our opportunity to honor those who lost their lives in the struggle against HIV/AIDS, but also recognize the tireless efforts of the present day leaders, proven public health and prevention policies, medical and scientific advances, and successful program such as the AIDS Drug Assistance Program."

For everything World AIDS Day, follow <u>AIDS.gov</u> and use the hashtag #WAD2015 on social media.

To learn more about the ADAP Advocacy Association, or World AIDS Days, please email <u>info@adapadvocacyassociation.org</u>.

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About the ADAP Advocacy Association: The ADAP Advocacy Association is a national 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization incorporated in the District of Columbia to promote and enhance the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) and improve access to care for persons living with HIV/AIDS.