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ADAP Advocacy Association Releases 2016 Annual Report

"Mounting Uncertainty Surrounding HIV Safety Net Under Trump"

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (May 24, 2017) – The <u>ADAP Advocacy Association</u>, also known as <u>aaa+®</u>, today released it 2016 Annual Report – which demonstrates the organization's continued patient advocacy and education activities. The report also highlights some of the emerging trends under the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs ("ADAP"), as well as the mounting uncertainty surrounding proposed changes to the public safety net.

"The ADAP Advocacy Association does <u>not</u> engage in any political activities, political campaigns, ballot initiatives, or federal lobbying activities for that matter. Our purpose is strictly to raise awareness, offer patient educational programs, and foster greater community collaboration," summarized **Brandon M. Macsata**, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy Association. "That said, many stakeholders in our circles are concerned about the policies being pushed by the 45th President of the United States, and the implications on the future of the Ryan White CARE Act, Affordable Care Act, as well as the public safety net generally."

Nationwide, ADAP served over 139,000 people living with HIV/AIDS in 2015 (which is the year with the most recent data), and most of the clients served by ADAP were reported as virally suppressed. The National Alliance of State & Territorial AIDS Directors ("NASTAD") also reported that number represents a 12% increase over the previous year.

A copy of the 2016 Annual Report can be downloaded online: http://www.adapadvocacyassociation.org/publications.html.

To learn more about the 2016 Annual Report, ADAP Directory, or the ADAP Advocacy Association, please email info@adapadvocacyassociation.org.

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About the ADAP Advocacy Association: The ADAP Advocacy Association mission is to promote and enhance the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAPs) and improves access to care for persons living with HIV/AIDS.

ada+® works with advocates, community, health care, government, patients, pharmaceutical companies and other stakeholders to raise awareness, offer patient educational program, and foster greater community collaboration.