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## ADAP Advocacy Association Names 2017 Leadership Awards Honorees

## Award Honorees Reflect Conference's "Unchartered Water" Theme

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WASHINGTON, D.C. (July 27, 2017) – The <u>ADAP Advocacy Association</u>, also known as <u>aaa</u>+<sup>®</sup>, today announced the 2016-2017 ADAP Leadership Awards honorees, which recognizes individual, community, government, media and corporate leaders who are working to improve access to care and treatment for people living with HIV/AIDS – including the AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP).

**aaa**+<sup>®</sup> will host its **7th Annual ADAP Leadership Awards Dinner on Saturday, September 23rd at 7:00 pm in Washington, DC**. The dinner will be held in conjunction with its 10th Annual ADAP Conference, being held at the Westin Georgetown on September 22-23, 2017.

The 2016-2017 award honorees include:

- Lifetime Achievement
  - o Paul Arons, MD
  - Paulette Heath
- ADAP Champion
  - Britten Pund, Associate Director, Health Care Access, National Alliance of State & Territorial AIDS Directors (NASTAD)
  - Emerging Leader
    - o Khadijah Abdullah, Founder, RAHMA and Muslim Nannies
- Corporate Partner
  - ViiV Healthcare
- Lawmaker
  - **The Honorable Marilyn Avila**, General Assemblywoman (N.C.)
  - The Honorable Scott Wiener, State Senator (Calif.)
- Community Organization
  - The Resource Group, Inc., Houston, TX
- Social Media Campaign
  - o Pozitively Dee Discussions, by Davina Conner
- Grassroots Campaign
  - Network Empowerment Project (NEP) by SERO Project
- Media Story
  - "America's Hidden H.I.V. Epidemic" by Linda Villarosa, published in the *New York Times* on 06/06/17

Information about the awards is listed online at <u>www.adapadvocacyassociation.org/awards.html</u>.

To learn more about the 2017 Annual ADAP Leadership Awards, 2017 Annual Conference, or the ADAP Advocacy Association, please email <u>info@adapadvocacyassociation.org</u>.

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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. aaa+® 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.