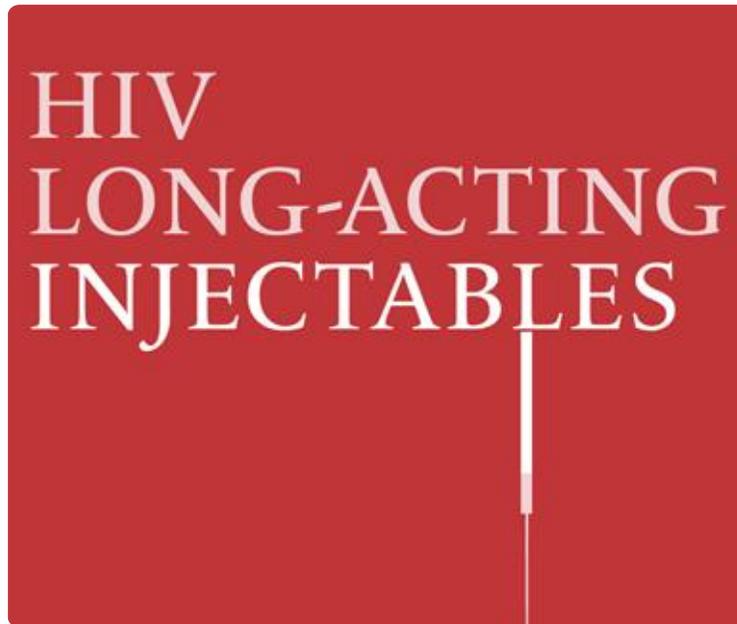
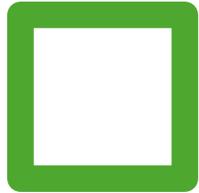




ADAP Long-Acting Injectables Patient Advisory Committee - 2026



ADAP Advocacy strives to identify best practices on how to improve patient access to long-acting injectable therapies for the treatment of (and prevention of) HIV/AIDS. As general guidelines, they would be designed to help State AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAPs), and other relevant payers, remove the barriers to accessing injectable HIV-related therapies, as well as other non-ARV, health-related injectable therapies.



Committee Chair Warren O'Meara-Dates



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Warren is a native of Gadsden, Alabama. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Mass Communication from Miles College, a United Negro College Fund member institution. He obtained his license to preach in 2004. In 2010 following his November 2009 HIV/AIDS diagnosis, Minister Dates founded The 6:52 Project Foundation, Inc.® (6:52 Project). The 6:52 Project began leading the way of exploring the complexity of the HIV/AIDS epidemic as it partners with local, state, and national individuals, organizations, and corporations on January 16, 2010. Its resources target individuals and organizations whose audience includes those affected and/or infected between the ages of 15-75 years.

In 2021, Warren was successful in obtaining US Patent Trademarks on the names of The 6:52 Project Foundation, Inc.® and its core educational curriculum, MyHealth.MyCommunity.MyPower.® These designations allowed Warren to enter the world of product development to be able to share educational programming and promotional products for a global audience to consume. Warren is the 2022 recipient of the national Human Rights Campaign (HRC) inaugural 'Trailblazer Award.'

In March 2022, the 6:52 Project began more expansion. The Foundation, under Warren's leadership, began to look at unmet needs in research and healthcare delivery for its key populations. An immediate outcome was the founding of the first of its kind, BIPOC, 'community-owned' & operated sexual and reproductive healthcare clinic, Clinic652, LLC™ (Clinic652) in Alabama. The clinic opened officially the summer of 2023.

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Tori Cooper



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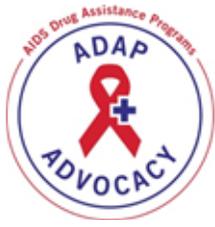
Ms. Tori Cooper (she, her, hers) is Director of Community Engagement at the Human Rights Campaign. She is also Founder & Executive Director of Advocates for Better Care Atlanta, LLC (ABC Atlanta) which is a grassroots organization dedicated to education, empowerment and opportunities for the trans community and people living with HIV.

Tori is a proud HBCU alumnus with a focus in marginalized communities, having worked to earn a Bachelor of Arts in Human Services and a Master of Public of Health.

She has over 30 years of HIV experience ranging from serving as a volunteer, to becoming a capacity building specialist as well as being a public speaker and published author. She is a CDC subject matter expert (SME), a certified national trainer and facilitator. Tori is co-author of the CDC's first and only intervention for transgender women living with HIV, TWIST, and has worked as a consultant for National Institutes of Health (NIH), Gilead Pharmaceuticals, ViiV Healthcare, GLAAD, AIDSUnited, NMAC, and of the Centers for Disease Control and a host of other nationally respected institutions.

Tori is dedicated to increasing access and equity for all and believes that with greater visibility comes greater responsibility. Her many years of advocacy include serving on the boards of SisterLove, Inc., the Fulton County Health Department, Clayton County HIV consortium, MAC Info, National Advisory Board for Transgender Law Center's Positively Trans and others. She is a gifted speaker and a passionate advocate with a witty and gregarious personality. In August 2021, Ms. Cooper was sworn in as the first Black transgender woman to be appointed to the President's Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS also known as PACHA.

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Ramon Gardenhire



Ramon Gardenhire, serves as the Director of Government Relations (South Region) for ViiV Healthcare. He works on federal and state healthcare legislation and policies to improve access to care, treatment and, prevention for people living with and vulnerable to HIV.

Before joining ViiV, Ramon served as a member of Illinois Governor JB Pritzker’s senior staff as the Deputy Chief of Staff for Policy (Policy Director). In that capacity, he served as one of the Governor’s top advisors.

Previously, Ramon served as the Vice President of Policy and Advocacy for the AIDS Foundation of Chicago (AFC), overseeing AFC's advocacy and policy work at the federal, state, and local levels. Gardenhire previously served as AFC's Director of Government Relations, where he worked to expanded Medicaid coverage for half a million Illinoisans and helped enact comprehensive sexual health education for Illinois students.

He received his Juris Doctorate from Wayne State University Law School and his bachelor's degree from Slippery Rock University. Ramon lives in Chicago with his husband (Cecil) and dog (Olive - Shui Tzu/Poodle mix), is an advent tennis fan and reader, and watches “Murder She Wrote” nightly.





Marcus J. Hopkins



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Marcus J. Hopkins is the Founder & Executive Director of the Appalachian Learning Initiative (APPLI, pronounced like "apply") and the Principal of The Matrix Consulting, LLC. He has nearly twenty years of research, professional writing, and reporting experience and expertise in the fields of public health, public policy, and HIV and Viral Hepatitis with a focus on patient-centered advocacy and program design and development. He also provides professional communications, web design, social media management, and non-profit strategy and management. He lives in Morgantown, WV, with his eight cats and enjoys collecting video games and watching Dark Shadows reruns while working.

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Dawn Patillo Exum



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Dawn Patillo Exum is a highly analytical, detail-oriented, and collaborative executive with 15+ years of progressive leadership experience directing public policy, patient engagement, stakeholder relations, and sales management within a Fortune 100 company. She is a resourceful problem solver and dedicated influencer with broad product knowledge, state policy experience, and advocate and stakeholder development expertise.

In 2023, Dawn was elevated to Executive Director of State Government Affairs and Policy managing six Government Affairs Directors. She is responsible for the company's interactions with state elected and appointed officials, governmental entities, and policy organizations across the western twenty-six states. Her team is responsible for addressing the key legislative and regulatory issues that promote and protect the discovery and development of innovative medicines and vaccines, while improving and protecting patient access to care.

Dawn is currently pursuing a Master of Public Health from Tulane University (anticipated in 2026) and holds a Bachelor of Science in Chemistry from Bucknell University. She also holds a FOCUS certificate from the Executive Leadership Council and was selected by leadership to participate within MERCK's Diverse Leader Program and Business Leader Program. She is on the Board of TruEvolution.

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Glen Pientrandoni



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Glen Pietrandoni is chief advocacy officer at Avita Care Solutions and an award-winning pharmacy leader, internationally respected HIV and LGBTQ+ activist, and passionate 340B program advocate. He's deeply engaged in Avita's mission to strengthen health equity among marginalized communities by connecting stakeholders from the pharmaceutical industry and patient advocacy arenas, leading Avita's educational and awareness efforts, and acting as a voice for its covered entity partners and patients. Leveraging his unique insights into how the integration of pharmacy services, telehealth, and brick-and-mortar care can remove barriers in the patient journey, Glen continually advances stigma-free HIV, PrEP, LGBTQ+, and sexual wellness care among underserved populations.

In 2022, Glen received Pharmacy Times' Lifetime Leadership honor at the Next-Generation Pharmacist awards. He serves on the Board of Pharmacy for the State of Illinois, was formerly chairman of the Board of Trustees of AIDS United, and he helps lead the board of Community Voices for 340B (CV340B). He has earned American Academy of HIV Medicine and Apexus 340B certifications.

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Donna Sabatino



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Donna Sabatino, RN, ACRN leads The AIDS Institute (TAI) as Director of State Policy & Advocacy (Florida). She also leads the Policy & Advocacy work nationally for the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (ANAC). Donna was recently appointed to the Florida Public Health Association (FPHA) board and chairs their policy committee. She presently sits on the board of the Southern AIDS Coalition (SAC) and their policy committee.

Donna has been in the HIV fight for over 3 decades and has held positions ranging from a bedside RN in a dedicated HIV/AIDS Unit in Ft. Lauderdale in the early 1990's, Director of Operations for a statewide Medicaid Disease Management Program, and an Industry partner for many years. She served on ANAC's National Board of Directors for 4 years and chaired the public policy committee.

Her dedicated work in this area earned her the 2021 ANAC Helen Miramontes Nurse Advocate award, sponsored by the Until There's a Cure Foundation. Once again in 2023, nurses were ranked the most trusted profession in the United States for the 23rd year, per Gallup. Donna truly believes that "Nurses have always been respected advocates and are the intersection between Social Justice/Health Policy and the needs of our patients."

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Marcus A. Wilson



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Marcus A. Wilson (He/Him) is the Senior Director of Community Engagement and Advocacy, U.S. Virology, at Gilead Sciences, Inc. With over two decades of dedicated service, Marcus has been a driving force in efforts to end the HIV epidemic and advance global health equity. His work with national advocacy organizations has been instrumental in protecting patient and physician choice, promoting healthcare equity, and expanding access to life-saving therapies.

Deeply engaged in the LGBTQ+ community, Marcus actively serves on the boards of AIDS United, ADAP Advocacy, Onyx National Council, and Onyx Deep South. He has also previously contributed as a board member of AIDS Foundation Chicago, the Chicago Black Gay Men's Caucus, and the Leather Leadership Conference. His expertise in policy and advocacy has provided invaluable support and guidance to numerous community organizations.

Marcus earned his undergraduate degree from Michigan State University and a Master of Studies in Law from Wake Forest University. A native of Detroit, Michigan, he now resides in Orlando, Florida, with his partner, Steven. Outside of his professional commitments, Marcus enjoys international travel, spending time with family and friends, and volunteering in his community..

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