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ADAP Advocacy Association Announces Keynote Speaker for its 6th Annual ADAP Leadership Awards Dinner

NASTAD's Murray Penner to deliver message, "Leveraging ADAP to Move Us Toward Ending the Epidemics"

WASHINGTON, D.C. (September 13, 2016) – The ADAP Advocacy Association, also known as **aaa+**[®], today announced that Murray Penner, executive director of the National Alliance of State & Territorial AIDS Directors (NASTAD), will deliver the keynote at its 6th Annual ADAP Leadership Awards Dinner on Saturday, September 24, 2016. The awards dinner is being held at the Westin Georgetown, located at 2350 M Street, NW, Washington D.C. 20037.

“Murray keynoting at this year’s awards dinner is important because there exists no greater voice on the sustainability of the AIDS Drug Assistance Program in today’s changing healthcare environment,” said **Brandon M. Macsata**, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy Association. “His upcoming keynote, *Leveraging ADAP to Move Us Toward Ending the Epidemics*, embodies the message that we’re trying to convey at this year’s conference, and awards dinner.”

Murray Penner is Executive Director at NASTAD. Murray joined NASTAD in 2001 and previously served as Director of NASTAD’s Care & Treatment Program and prior to his current role as NASTAD’s Deputy Executive Director. Murray oversees all NASTAD programs [including Health Care Access, Health Systems Integration, Health Equity, Prevention, Hepatitis, Global and Policy & Legislative Affairs] as well as NASTAD’s overall operations. Murray has strong expertise and experience in HIV and hepatitis treatments, the Ryan White Program and AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAP), as well as drug pricing. Prior to his work at NASTAD, Murray served as the Coordinator for the Fort Worth Area Ryan White HIV Planning Council. He received his Bachelor Degree in Social Work from Bethel College in North Newton, KS and is pursuing his MPH from The George Washington University.

To purchase tickets, visit <https://www.123signup.com/event?id=nzkxf>.

To learn more about the ADAP Advocacy Association or its 6th Annual ADAP Leadership Awards Dinner, 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. **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.