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## ADAP Advocacy Association Airs ‘Your Vaccine Is Waiting’ PSA for Hispanic/Latino Americans Living with HIV/AIDS

*“Covid-19 Public Service Announcement features Jonathan J. Pena, MSW, from Morrisville, North Carolina”*

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The ADAP Advocacy Association today aired its Public Service Announcement designed to raise awareness about Hispanic/Latinos living with HIV being vaccinated against Covid-19. The PSA features Jonathan J. Pena from Morrisville, North Carolina.

Jonathan J. Pena, MSW, is a licensed clinical social worker associate. In 2018, Pena interned for the ADAP Advocacy Association, whereby he did extensive work promoting access to healthcare for incarcerated and formerly incarcerated populations under the State AIDS Drug Assistance Programs. He has been HIV-positive since 2001.

“There are over 250,000 Hispanic/Latino Americans living with HIV/AIDS in the United States; furthermore, one in five new HIV diagnosis in the United States were among Hispanic/Latino men,” said Brandon M. Macsata, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy. “And according to the World Health Organization, HIV increases the risk for severe Covid-19 by 6% and the risk of dying of Covid-19 in the hospital by 30%. Jonathan’s message aims to help convince the Hispanic/Latino community to get vaccinated and further protect themselves.”

The PSA is available at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mPWXIonBtII>.

To learn more about the ADAP Advocacy Association, AIDS Drug Assistance Programs, or the #YourVaccineIsWaiting public awareness campaign, please email [info@adapadvocacy.org](mailto:info@adapadvocacy.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+**<sup>®</sup> works with advocates, community, health care, government, patients, pharmaceutical companies and other stakeholders to raise awareness, offer patient educational programs, and foster greater community collaboration.