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## ADAP Advocacy Association Adds Information on HIV Long-Acting Agents Therapy to its ADAP Directory

Add-On Designed to Help People Living with HIV/AIDS Gain Access to Only FDA-Approved Drug

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The ADAP Advocacy Association today announced that it has added information about HIV Long-Acting Agents (LAAs) therapy coverage to its flagship ADAP Directory. The add-on offers a glimpse into the State AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAPs) covering HIV LAAs therapy as part of their state approved drug formulary. Currently, Cabenuva (cabotegravir/rilpivirine) is the only injectable therapy for the treatment of HIV approved by the U.S. Food & Drug Administration (FDA).

The ADAP Advocacy Association's <u>ADAP Injectables Advisory Committee</u>, summarized: "Patients relying on ADAP to obtain their life-saving medications must receive equitable and timely access to medications relative to their insured counterparts; inclusive of long-acting injectable therapies and other newly approved medications by the FDA. If traditional ADAP or HIV pharmacy programs cannot keep up with service delivery, formulary management or technology, they must increase their insurance premium payment programs to meet demand while increasing cost efficiencies."

The ADAP Directory takes an innovative approach to ensure people living with HIV/AIDS have access to the information and resources they need to live healthy and productive lives. It consolidates useful ADAP-related information from all 50 states and 6 territories into one convenient location for:

- Easy access to ADAP resources organized by state and territory.
- Updated, current information for all 56 state ADAPs.
- Uniform presentation of ADAP information for effective advocacy and easy dissemination.

The ADAP Directory is available online at <u>http://adap.directory/directory</u>. HIV LAAs therapy coverage information is posted on each state page.

To learn more about the ADAP Advocacy Association, AIDS Drug Assistance Programs, or HIV Long-Acting Agents, please email <u>info@adapadvocacy.org</u>.

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