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ADAP Advocacy Association & Partnership for Safe Medicines Offer Important Message for Patients on World AIDS Day

How to Spot Fake HIV Medicines

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – The ADAP Advocacy Association joins the Partnership for Safe Medicines (PSM) today to commemorate [World AIDS Day 2022](#) by offering an important message for patients living with HIV/AIDS: ***protect yourselves against counterfeit medicines***. With several high-profile incidents of fake HIV medicines entering the United States drug supply chain, World AIDS Day represents a unique opportunity to raise awareness about the real dangers facing patients living with HIV/AIDS. The message is designed to empower patients with important safety tips about medicine safety.

“In the last three years, we’ve witnessed not one...or two...but three high-profile safety alerts regarding fake HIV medicines in the United States,” said **Brandon M. Macsata**, CEO of the ADAP Advocacy Association. “As we reflect on the lives lost to the HIV/AIDS epidemic, as well as the ongoing work to End the Epidemic in the United States, it is incumbent on us to arm people living with HIV/AIDS with the resources and tools necessary for them to remain healthy. In fact, we owe it to them on this solemn day.”

Download: [How to Spot Fake HIV Medicines](#)

Summarized **Shabbir Imber Safdar**, Executive Director of the Partnership for Safe Medicines: “Patient safety is paramount to the work we are doing with the ADAP Advocacy Association, and other patient advocacy organizations. We have already lost far, far too many souls to this epidemic, and we’re working tirelessly to prevent any patient from injury or even death at the hands of counterfeit HIV medicines.”

To learn more about the ADAP Advocacy Association, AIDS Drug Assistance Programs, or counterfeit medicines, please email 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+® 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.

About the Partnership for Safe Medicines: PSM works with patient advocacy groups and consumer groups to raise awareness of counterfeit drugs within the United States and to teach patients and medical professionals how to buy medication safely and affordably without risking their lives by dealing with unlicensed, dangerous counterfeit medication sellers.