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ADAP Advocacy Names 2026 Leadership Awards Honorees at SYNC

“William E. Arnold” ADAP Champion Award Presented to Brian Hujdich

ADAP Lifetime Achievement Award Presented to Wanda Brendle-Moss, RN

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WASHINGTON, D.C. – ADAP Advocacy announced its 2026 ADAP Leadership Awards honorees, who embody dedication to improving access to care and treatment for people living with HIV/AIDS. The awards were presented at the [SYNChronicity 2026](#) (#SYNC2026) Annual National Conference for HIV, HCV, STIs, Drug User Health, and LGBTQ Health, after a 7-year pause on the awards.

HealthHIV’s longtime executive director, **Brian Hujdich**, was named the 2026 “William E. Arnold” ADAP Champion Award honoree. Hujdich is the longest-serving executive at a national HIV organization.

Brandon M. Macsata, CEO of ADAP Advocacy, stated: **“Before his passing in 2021, Bill Arnold had noted that Brian Hujdich was a leading voice in the fight against HIV, and recognizing his measured leadership was overdue. Five years later, Bill’s wish has finally come true, with Brian being presented with our Champion Award. Brian’s dedication to excellence is unmatched, and he has grown HealthHIV into one of the most well-respected certified medical education providers in the country, as well as a strong advocacy voice.”**

ADAP Advocacy’s Board Co-Chair and retired nurse, **Wanda Brendle-Moss**, was named the 2026 Lifetime Achievement Award honoree. Brendle-Moss has been ADAP Advocacy’s longest-serving board member since 2015.

Brandon M. Macsata, CEO of ADAP Advocacy, further stated: **“Wandawoman, which is a name coined by her fellow 2026 award honoree, is a well-recognized staple in HIV advocacy, dating back to Wanda Brendle-Moss attending her first ADAP National Conference 13 years ago. Wanda is known for wearing many hats, including advocate, community liaison, and social worker, among others. Her compassion has touched so many.”**

The ADAP Leadership Awards were launched at the height of the ADAP Crisis in 2011 and continued for eight years before being paused in 2018. With the federal government’s ongoing efforts to dismantle key public health programs, including HIV services, ADAP Advocacy decided to reactivate its leadership awards.

To learn more about ADAP Advocacy or its ADAP Leadership Awards, please email info@adapadvocacy.org.

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About ADAP Advocacy: The ADAP Advocacy mission is to promote and enhance the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs (ADAPs) and improve access to care for persons living with HIV/AIDS. ADAP Advocacy works with advocates, community members, health care providers, government officials, patients, pharmaceutical companies, and other stakeholders to raise awareness, offer patient education programs, and foster greater community collaboration.