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## ADAP Advocacy Association Names 2016 Leadership Awards Honorees

### *Award Honorees Reflect Conference's "Linkages to Care" Theme*

WASHINGTON, D.C. (September 6, 2016) – The [ADAP Advocacy Association](http://ADAP Advocacy Association), also known as **aaa+**<sup>®</sup>, today announced the 2015-2016 ADAP Leadership Awards honorees, which recognizes individual, community, government, media and corporate leaders who are working to improve access to care and treatment under the AIDS Drug Assistance Programs.

**aaa+**<sup>®</sup> will host its **6th Annual ADAP Leadership Awards Dinner on Saturday, September 24th at 7:00 pm in Washington, DC**. The dinner will be held in conjunction with its 9th Annual Conference, being held at the Westin Georgetown on September 23-24, 2016.

The 2015-2016 award honorees include:

ADAP Champion of the Year (individual):

- **Carl Schmid, The AIDS Institute**

ADAP Emerging Leader of the Year (individual):

- **Alex Smith, AIDS Alabama**

ADAP Corporate Partner of the Year:

- **Prudential Financial Inc.**

ADAP Community Organization of the Year:

- **North Carolina AIDS Action Network (NCAAN)**

ADAP Lawmaker of the Year:

- **The Honorable Carl Sciortino, Massachusetts House of Representatives (2005-2014)**

ADAP Social Media Campaign of the Year:

• **Marcus Hopkins, HEAL Blog, by the Community Access National Network (CANN)**

ADAP Grassroots Campaign of the Year:

• **Legalized Needle Exchange, by the North Carolina Harm Reduction Coalition (NCHRC)**

ADAP Media Story of the Year:

• **JD Davids, The Body Dot Com, "Sex 58,000 Times With Undetectable Partners = Zero HIV Transmission," 07/14/16**

To learn more about the ADAP Advocacy Association, its ADAP Leadership Awards, or its Annual Conference, please contact Brandon M. Macsata at [info@adapadvocacyassociation.org](mailto: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+**<sup>®</sup> 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.