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**SAVE THE DATE**

**You Are Cordially Invited to a Congressional Briefing  
The Missing \$101 Million in 2010**

**AIDS Drug Assistance Programs Waiting Lists  
Continue to Grow**

**September 23, 2010 at Noon in Kennedy Caucus Room 345**

Please join the Community Access National Network (CANN) for an educational presentation on the Ryan White AIDS Drug Assistance Program. The current crisis for patients enrolled in this life-saving program began to spiral out of control last year when a waiting list for medications jumped from 43 individuals to 99 within a matter of months. Over one year later, that number has sky-rocketed to more than 3,500 patients who are languishing on this list.

CANN's educational briefings are designed to provide the most up to date information on the growth of the waiting list as well offer insight into the hardship that waiting lists cause the individuals who must endure them. Members of Congress also provide a special perspective on the avenues that can be pursued in order to solve this national crisis.

This particular briefing will include a number of Congressional members, including Senator Richard Burr (NC) and Representative Donna Christiansen (VI), who will speak about the work they have done toward fixing the crisis. Additionally, a current waiting list patient will speak about the difficulty in going without the comprehensive safety net that ADAPs provide as well as the security and stability that comes when access to ADAP is reliable. A representative from the National Alliance of State and Territorial AIDS Directors will also discuss what state ADAP directors are doing to minimize the need for lists and the chaos created when federal funding streams fall short of the need. Finally, a physician who focuses specifically on the treatments and nature of HIV/AIDS within the body will illustrate the necessity for patients on ADAP to receive consistent and dependable access to drugs that enable healthier and longer lives.

Lunch will be served on a first come, first serve basis and the briefing is open to the public. Please RSVP to Jordan Cohen at [jcohen@tiicann.org](mailto:jcohen@tiicann.org).

We look forward to seeing you there!

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