R.I.P. NAPWA

The AIDS group files for bankruptcy.

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In February, the National Association of People With AIDS (NAPWA) announced it was filing for bankruptcy and ceasing operations. Soon after, The Washington Blade reported that the group owed more than $750,000 and that as much as $700,000 remains missing or unaccounted for (an investigation may be under way). NAPWA was founded in 1983, inspired by the HIV empowerment manifesto The Denver Principles and intended as a national voice for the community. It is partly because of NAPWA that, years before the advent of today's lifesaving meds, we learned to say "a person living with HIV" instead of "AIDS victim." The group had also managed the annual AIDSWatch advocacy event on Capitol Hill, and it founded National HIV Testing Day, marked each June 27.

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