

JANUARY

Month-Long Observances

- 1 – 31 Birth Defects Prevention Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Blood Donor Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Cervical Cancer Screening Month
- 1 – 31 Cervical Health Awareness Month
- 1 – 31 Glaucoma Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 3/31 Daffodil Days

Week-Long Observances

- 15 – 21 Healthy Weight Week
- 22 – 28 Nurse Anesthetists Week (National)
- 23 – 27 Medical Group Practice Week (National)
- 23 – 27 Nuclear Science Week (National)

Recognition Days | Events

- 6 Find a Dentist Day
- 19 Women's Healthy Weight Day
- 25 IV Nurse Day (National)

FEBRUARY

Month-Long Observances

- 1 – 29 Age-Related Macular Degeneration/Low Vision Awareness Month
- 1 – 29 Children's Dental Health Month (National)
- 1 – 29 Condom Month (National)
- 1 – 29 Heart Month (American)
- 1 – 29 Kids ENT Health Month
- 1 – 29 Wise Health Care Consumer Month (National)

Week-Long Observances

- 1 – 7 Patient Recognition Week and Day (National)
- 5 – 11 Burn Awareness Week
- 5 – 11 PeriAnesthesia Nurse Awareness Week
- 7 – 14 Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week
- 12 – 18 Cardiac Rehabilitation Week (National)
- 12 – 18 Cardiovascular Professionals Week
- 19 – 25 Poison Prevention Week (National)
- 26 – 3/3 Eating Disorders Awareness Week (National)

Recognition Days | Events

- 3 Wear Red Day (National)
- 11 Day of the Sick (World)

MARCH

Month-Long Observances

- 1 – 31 Athletic Training Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Brain Injury Awareness Month
- 1 – 31 Child Life Month
- 1 – 31 Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Eye Donor Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Kidney Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Nutrition Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Professional Social Work Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Save Your Vision Month
- 1 – 31 Workplace Eye Wellness Month

Week-Long Observances

- 4 – 10 Dental Assistants Recognition Week
- 4 – 10 Patient Safety Awareness Week
- 11 – 17 Health Care Human Resources Week
- 11 – 17 Pulmonary Rehabilitation Week (National)
- 12 – 18 Brain Awareness Week
- 17 – 24 Inhalants and Poisons Awareness Week (National)
- 25 – 31 Root Canal Awareness Week

Recognition Days | Events

- 14 Registered Dietician Day
- 27 Diabetes Alert Day

APRIL

Month-Long Observances

- 1 – 30 Alcohol Awareness Month
- 1 – 30 Autism Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 30 Child Abuse Prevention Month
- 1 – 30 Facial Protection Month (National)
- 1 – 30 Foot Health Awareness Month
- 1 – 30 Humor Month (National)
- 1 – 30 Minority Health Month (National)
- 1 – 30 Occupational Therapy Month
- 1 – 30 Sexually Transmitted Infection Awareness Month
- 1 – 30 Sports Eye Safety Month
- 1 – 30 Women’s Eye Health and Safety Month
- 1 – 5/31 March for Babies
- 1 – 8/31 Relay for Life

Week-Long Observances

- 1 – 7 Healthcare Access Personnel Week (National)

2 – 8 Public Health Week (National)
8 – 14 Heimlich Maneuver Week (National)
9 – 13 Cancer Registrars Week (National)
9 – 15 Healthcare Patient Advocacy Week
15 – 21 Healthcare Volunteer Week (National)
15 – 21 Neurodiagnostic Week
16 – 22 Medical Fitness Week
21 – 28 Infant Immunization Week (National)
22 – 28 Healthcare Administrative Professionals Week
22 – 28 Medical Laboratory Professionals Week (National) *Tentative*
29 – 5/5 Occupational Safety and Health Week (North American)

Recognition Days | Events

7 Alcohol Screening Day (National)
7 Health Day (World)
12 Radiology Nurses Day (National)
16 Healthcare Decisions Day (National)
16 Voice Day (World)
17 Hemophilia Day (World)
20 – 22 Youth Service Day (Global)
25 Noise Awareness Day (International)
28 YMCA's Healthy Kids Day

MAY

Month-Long Observances

1 – 31 Arthritis Awareness Month (National)
1 – 31 Arthritis Walk
1 – 31 Better Hearing and Speech Month
1 – 31 Better Sleep Month
1 – 31 Bike Month (National)
1 – 31 Critical Care Awareness and Recognition Month (National)
1 – 31 Employee Health and Fitness Month (International)
1 – 31 Healthy Vision Month
1 – 31 Hepatitis Awareness Month
1 – 31 High Blood Pressure Education Month (National)
1 – 31 Huntington's Disease Awareness Month
1 – 31 Lupus Awareness Month
1 – 31 Melanoma / Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month
1 – 31 Mental Health Month
1 – 31 Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month
1 – 31 Neurofibromatosis Awareness Month
1 – 31 Older Americans Month
1 – 31 Oncology Nursing Month
1 – 31 Osteoporosis Month (National)
1 – 31 Physical Fitness and Sports Month (National)

- 1 – 31 Stroke Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Stroke Month (American)
- 1 – 31 Teen Pregnancy Prevention Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Trauma Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 31 Ultraviolet Awareness Month

JUNE

Month-Long Observances

- 1 – 30 Aphasia Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 30 Hernia Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 30 Men’s Health Month
- 1 – 30 Migraine Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 30 Scleroderma Awareness Month

Week-Long Observances

- 3 – 9 Community Health Improvement Week
- 3 – 9 Sun Safety Week
- 10 – 16 Vascular Nursing Week
- 11 – 17 Men’s Health Week (National)
- 14 – 21 Nursing Assistants Week (National)
- 18 – 22 Healthcare Risk Management Week
- 24 – 30 Deaf-Blind Awareness Week

Recognition Days | Events

- 3 Cancer Survivors Day (National)
- 5 Health Care Recruiter Recognition Day (National)
- 13 Time Out Day (National)
- 22 Dental Awareness Day
- 27 HIV Testing Day (National)

JULY

Month-Long Observances

- 1 – 31 Cord Blood Awareness Month
- 1 – 31 Fireworks Safety Month
- 1 – 31 Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month

Week-Long Observances

- 2 – 9 Nurses in Staff Development Week
- 8 – 14 Therapeutic Recreation Week (National)
- 22 – 28 Hospitality House Week (National)

AUGUST

Month-Long Observances

- 1 – 31 Cataract Awareness Month
- 1 – 31 Children’s Eye Health and Safety Month
- 1 – 31 Neurosurgery Outreach Month
- 1 – 31 Psoriasis Awareness Month
- 1 – 31 Spinal Muscular Atrophy Awareness Month

Week-Long Observances

- 1 – 7 Breastfeeding Week Celebrations (World)
- 12 – 18 Health Center Week (National)

Recognition Days | Events

- 5 KidsDay (National)
- 23 Health Unit Coordinator Day

SEPTEMBER

Month-Long Observances

- 1 – 30 Alzheimer’s Month and Alzheimer’s Action Day (World)
- 1 – 30 Baby Safety Month
- 1 – 30 Cholesterol Education Month (National)
- 1 – 30 Craniofacial Acceptance Month
- 1 – 30 Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month
- 1 – 30 Healthy Aging Month
- 1 – 30 Leukemia, Lymphoma and Myeloma Awareness Month
- 1 – 30 Pain Awareness Month
- 1 – 30 Prostate Cancer Awareness Month
- 1 – 30 Prostate Health Month
- 1 – 30 Reye’s Syndrome Awareness Month
- 1 – 30 Sickle Cell Awareness Month (National)
- 1 – 30 STEPtember
- 1 – 30 Thyroid Cancer Awareness Month

Week-Long Observances

- 9 – 15 Assisted Living Week (National)
- 9 – 15 Environmental Services and Housekeeping Week (National)
- 9 – 15 Nephrology Nurses Week
- 9 – 15 Suicide Prevention Week
- 16 – 22 Child Passenger Safety Week
- 16 – 22 Farm Safety and Health Week (National)
- 16 – 22 Prostate Cancer Awareness Week
- 16 – 22 Rehabilitation Awareness Celebration (National)
- 16 – 22 Surgical Technologist Week (National)
- 23 – 29 Hearing Aid Awareness Week

30 – 10/6 Gerontological Nursing Week

Recognition Days | Events

2 MDA Labor Day Telethon

9 Grandparents Day (National)

15 Neonatal Nurses Day

19 School Backpack Awareness Day (National)

19 – 22 Society for Healthcare Strategy and Market Development Annual Educational Conference and Exhibits

22 Seat Check Saturday (National)

26 Women's Health & Fitness Day (National)

29 Family Health & Fitness Day—USA

OCTOBER

Month-Long Observances

1 – 31 Talk about Prescriptions Month

1 – 31 Breast Cancer Awareness Month (National)

1 – 31 Chiropractic Health Month (National)

1 – 31 Dental Hygiene Month (National)

1 – 31 Disability Employment Awareness Month (National)

1 – 31 Domestic Violence Awareness Month

1 – 31 Eye Injury Prevention Month

1 – 31 Health Literacy Month

1 – 31 Home Eye Safety Month

1 – 31 Liver Awareness Month

1 – 31 Medical Librarians Month (National)

1 – 31 Medical Ultrasound Awareness Month

1 – 31 Patient-Centered Care Awareness Month

1 – 31 Pharmacists Month (American)

1 – 31 Physical Therapy Month (National)

1 – 31 SIDS, Pregnancy and Infant Loss Awareness Month

Week-Long Observances

1 – 7 Healthcare Foodservice Workers Week

1 – 7 Midwifery Week (National)

6 – 12 Physician Assistants Week (National)

7 – 13 Emergency Nurses Week

7 – 13 Fire Prevention Week

7 – 13 Healthcare Central Service / Sterile Processing Week

7 – 13 Healthcare Resource and Materials Management Week (National)

7 – 13 Mental Illness Awareness Week

7 – 13 Nuclear Medicine Week

7 – 13 Pediatric Nurses Week

8 – 12 Dialysis Technician Recognition Week (National)

12 – 20 Awareness Week (National)

14 – 20 Case Management Week (National)
14 – 20 Healthcare Security and Safety Week
14 – 20 Infection Prevention Week (International)
15 – 19 Medical Assistants Week (National)
21 – 27 Healthcare Facilities and Engineering Week (National)
21 – 27 Healthcare Quality Week
21 – 27 Hospital and Health System Pharmacy Week (National)
21 – 27 Kids Care Week
21 – 27 Pastoral Care Week
21 – 27 Respiratory Care Week (National)
22 – 26 School Bus Safety Week (National)
23 – 31 Red Ribbon Week (National)

Recognition Days | Events

6 Depression Screening Day (National)
10 Stop America's Violence Everywhere (SAVE) Today
12 Arthritis Day (World)
19 Mammography Day (National)
22 Stuttering Awareness Day (International)
24 Lung Health Day
27 Lock Your Meds Day
29 Psoriasis Day (World)

NOVEMBER

Month-Long Observances

1 – 30 Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month (National)
1 – 30 Bladder Health Month
1 – 30 COPD Awareness Month
1 – 30 Diabetes Month (American)
1 – 30 Diabetic Eye Disease Month
1 – 30 Epilepsy Awareness Month (National)
1 – 30 Family Caregivers Month (National)
1 – 30 Healthy Skin Month (National)
1 – 30 Hospice / Palliative Care Month (National)
1 – 30 Lung Cancer Awareness Month
1 – 30 Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month (National)
1 – 30 Prematurity Awareness Month
1 – 30 Sexual Health Month (National)
1 – 12/31 Jingle Bell Run / Walk for Arthritis

Week-Long Observances

1 – 7 Medical-Surgical Nurses Week
1 – 7 Urology Nurses and Associates Week
4 – 10 Allied Health Professions Week (National)
4 – 10 Aspiring Nurse Leader Week

4 – 10 Diabetes Education Week (National)
4 – 10 Medical Staff Services Awareness Week (National)
4 – 10 Patient Transport Week (National)
4 – 10 Radiologic Technology Week (National)
5 – 9 Blood Management Awareness Week
5 – 11 Perioperative Nurse Week
11 – 17 Home Care Month (National), Hospice Month (National), and Home Care Aide Week
11 – 17 Mental Health Wellness Week

Recognition Days | Events

4 Lung Cancer Walk
15 Great American Smokeout
17 Family Volunteer Day

DECEMBER

Month-Long Observances

1 – 31 Safe Toys and Celebrations Month

Week-Long Observances

1 – 7 Aplastic Anemia and MDS Awareness Week
3 – 7 Older Driver Safety Awareness Week (National)

Recognition Days | Events

1 AIDS Day (World)