

State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER

GOVERNOR

ADOLESCENT IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH

2018

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, without proper immunization, preteens and teens can suffer from vaccine-preventable diseases or related complications; and

WHEREAS, the burden of vaccine-preventable disease in North Carolina affects people of all cultures, races, ethnicities, and societal groups; and

WHEREAS, safe and effective vaccines are readily available to protect against disease, disability, and death from communicable diseases, including diphtheria, hepatitis A, hepatitis B, human papillomavirus (HPV), influenza (Flu), measles, meningitis, mumps, pertussis, pneumococcal disease, polio, rubella, tetanus, and varicella; and

WHEREAS, every year, Adolescent Immunization Awareness Month is an opportunity to increase public knowledge, acceptance, and use of vaccines to protect preteens and teens against serious, life-threatening diseases; and

WHEREAS, throughout the month of July, North Carolina residents and health care providers are encouraged to learn more about the threat, medical implications, and prevention of adolescent vaccine preventable diseases;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim July, 2018, as "**ADOLESCENT IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



Roy Cooper
Governor

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twenty-sixth day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and eighteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.