



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH**

**2017**

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, substance use disorder prevention and treatment is effective, and people recover in North Carolina and around the nation; and

**WHEREAS**, preventing and treating substance use disorders are essential to achieving a healthy lifestyle, both physically and emotionally; and

**WHEREAS**, we must recognize the role of friends and relatives in guiding and supporting individuals in need of treatment and recovery aid; and

**WHEREAS**, more than 705,000 people in our state are estimated to have a substance use disorder; and

**WHEREAS**, the United States and North Carolina are currently experiencing an Opioid Crisis and Epidemic; and

**WHEREAS**, to help more people achieve and sustain long-term recovery, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services invites all residents of North Carolina to participate in National Recovery Month;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim September, 2017, as "**ALCOHOL AND DRUG ADDICTION RECOVERY MONTH**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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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 thirty-first day of August in the year of our Lord two thousand and seventeen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-first.