



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

PUBLIC HEALTH MONTH

2019

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina public health system is a critical component of our emergency response to natural and man-made disasters and widespread disease outbreaks in our state; and

WHEREAS, public health measures to control and eliminate infectious diseases, improve environmental sanitation, and promote healthy lifestyle practices have been the greatest cause of improved health status and increased life expectancy for North Carolina's residents, such that North Carolinians have an average life expectancy at birth of 78 years; and

WHEREAS, public health plays a critical role in eliminating health inequities and preventing chronic diseases and injuries, resulting in improved productivity and decreased health care costs for all North Carolinians; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina is committed to a continued emphasis on prevention in public health, and to helping North Carolina reach a better state of health through actions outlined in the Healthy North Carolina 2020 objectives; and

WHEREAS, communities, employers, hospitals and health care providers, individuals and families, insurers, legislators and policy makers, and schools and child care facilities must work together to identify and develop innovative solutions to health problems facing the people of North Carolina; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina encourages people to recognize that public health is working to ensure that all North Carolinians are protected from threats such as influenza, foodborne disease, injury, and chronic diseases such as diabetes, heart disease, and asthma;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim April, 2019, as "PUBLIC HEALTH 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-fifth day of March in the year of our Lord two thousand and nineteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-second.