



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

**ANTIBIOTIC AWARENESS WEEK**

**2024**

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

**A PROCLAMATION**

**WHEREAS**, the State of North Carolina seeks to protect and improve the health of all North Carolinians by preventing disease, promoting good health, and assuring access to quality health care; and

**WHEREAS**, the discovery and subsequent use of antibiotics revolutionized medical care and public health by significantly reducing illness and death from infectious diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, antibiotics, when used appropriately, remain an invaluable resource for protecting the public's health; and

**WHEREAS**, antibiotic resistance has become one of the key threats to health in the United States, threatening the ability of health care providers to fight infectious diseases; and

**WHEREAS**, appropriate use of antibiotics is the primary solution to address the threat of antibiotic resistance; and

**WHEREAS**, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, in partnership with the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, is working to enhance public and health care professional awareness regarding the appropriate use of antibiotics; and

**WHEREAS**, education about appropriate antibiotic use and changed attitudes and behaviors of health care workers and the general public alike will contribute to appropriate antibiotic prescribing and use;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 18 – 24, 2024, as “**ANTIBIOTIC AWARENESS WEEK**” 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 thirteenth day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-four and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-ninth.