



State of North Carolina

ROY COOPER
GOVERNOR

ANTIBIOTICS AWARENESS WEEK

2023

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; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services has launched a statewide antibiotic stewardship initiative, Stewardship of Antibiotic Resources (STAR) Partners, to encourage the development of antibiotic stewardship programs in hospitals throughout the state;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 20 – 24, 2023, as “ANTIBIOTICS 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 twentieth day of November in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-eighth.