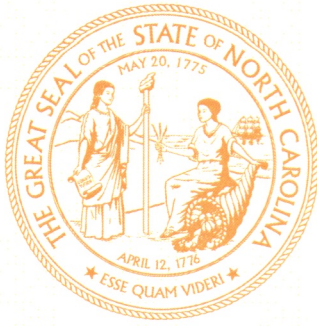




State of North Carolina

JOSH STEIN
GOVERNOR

ANTIBIOTIC AWARENESS WEEK

2025

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 high-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, including those that can lead to sepsis; 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 most urgent threats to the public's health in the United States, threatening the ability of health care providers to fight infectious diseases; and more than 2.8 million antimicrobial-resistant infections occur in the United States each year, with more than 35,000 people dying as a result; and

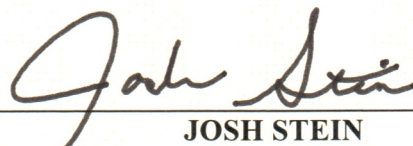
WHEREAS, improving how health care professionals prescribe and how patients take antibiotics can help keep patients healthy from adverse events, combat antimicrobial resistance, and help ensure these life-saving drugs will be available for future generations; and

WHEREAS, the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, in partnership with the 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, JOSH STEIN, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 18 – 24, 2025, as “**ANTIBIOTIC AWARENESS WEEK**” in North Carolina and commend its observance to all citizens.




JOSH STEIN
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-first day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-fifth and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and fiftieth.