2020 Health Observances & Recognition Days

Association Events
Feb. 3-4   FHA Hospital Day in the Legislature | Tallahassee, FL
Apr. 19-22 American Hospital Association Annual Meeting | Washington, DC CANCELED
Oct. 14-16 FHA Annual Meeting | Orlando, FL CANCELED

January

Month-long Observances
National Birth Defects Prevention Month
Cervical Health Awareness Month
Clap4Health
Radon Action Month

Week-long Observance
21-26   National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week
February

Month-long Observances
National Children’s Dental Health Month
American Heart Month
National Wise Health Care Consumer Month

Week-long Observances
3-4 FHA Hospital Day in the Legislature
3–9 PeriAnesthesia Nurse Awareness Week
9–15 National Cardiac Rehabilitation Week
9–15 Cardiovascular Professionals Week
9–15 Sepsis Survivor Week
14–21 NCCDP Alzheimer's Disease and Dementia Care Staff Education Week

Recognition Days / Events
7 National Wear Red Day
11 World Day of the Sick
March

Month-long Observances
Child Life Month
Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month
National MS Education and Awareness Month
National Nutrition Month®
Save Your Vision Month

Week-long Observances
1–7 Dental Assistants Recognition Week
8–14 National Pulmonary Rehabilitation Week

Recognition Days / Events
3 World Birth Defects Day
11 Registered Dietitian Nutritionist Day
24 World Tuberculosis Day
26 Diabetes Association Alert Day
30 National Doctor’s Day
April

Month-long Observances
Alcohol Awareness Month
National Autism Awareness Month
National Facial Protection Month
March for Babies
National Minority Health Month
Rosacea Awareness Month
Testicular Cancer Awareness Month
Women’s Eye Health and Safety Month

Week-long Observance
6-9   American Hospital Association Annual Meeting CANCELED
6–10   National Cancer Registrars Week
6–12   National Public Health Week
19–25   National Volunteer Week
19–25   Medical Laboratory Professionals Week
19–25   Pediatric Sepsis Week
Apr 27–May 1  Patient Experience Week

Recognition Days / Events
15   Transplant Nurses Day
16   National Healthcare Decisions Day
May

Month-long Observances
National Arthritis Awareness Month
Asthma Awareness Month
Global Employee Health and Fitness Month
National High Blood Pressure Education Month
National Huntington’s Disease Awareness Month
National Mental Health Month
Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month
Neurofibromatosis Awareness Month
National Osteoporosis Month
National Physical Fitness and Sports Month
Psoriasis Arthritis Action Month
National Run-a-Mile Days (May-June)
Melanoma/Skin Cancer Detection and Prevention Month
American Stroke Month

Week-long Observance
4–10 Medical Fitness Week
6–12 National Nurses Week
10–16 Food Allergy Awareness Week
10–16 National Hospital Week
10–16 Neuroscience Nurses Week
10–16 National Women’s Lung Health Week
11–17 National Stuttering Awareness Week
17–23 Medical Transcription Week

Recognition Days / Events
5 World Asthma Day
6 National School Nurse Day
22 National Gout Awareness Day
27 National Senior Health & Fitness Day®
June

Month-long Observances
Alzheimer’s and Brain Awareness Month
Cataract Awareness Month
Hernia Awareness Month
Men’s Health Month
National Migraine and Headache Awareness Month
PTSD Awareness Month

Week-long Observance
15–21 National Men’s Health Week
18–25 National Nursing Assistants Week

Recognition Days / Events
7 National Cancer Survivors Day
14 World Blood Donor Day
July

**Month-long Observances**
- Cord Blood Awareness Month
- Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month

**Week-long Observance**
13–26 ECHO Donate Life
August

Month-long Observances
National Immunization Awareness Month
Neurosurgery Awareness Month
Psoriasis Action Month

Week-long Observance
23–29  Health Unit Coordinator Week
September

Month-long Observances
Baby Safety Month
National Cholesterol Education Month
Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month (GCAM)
Healthy Aging® Month
Newborn Screening Awareness Month
Prostate Health Month
Global Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Month
National Recovery Month
Sepsis Awareness Month
Thyroid Cancer Awareness Month

Week-long Observances
6–12 Vascular Nurses Week
6–12 National Youth Suicide Prevention Week
13–19 Environmental Services Week
20–26 International Clean Hands Week

Recognition Days / Events
10 National Pediatric Hematology/Oncology Nurses Day
10 National Youth Suicide Prevention Day
7–13 National Neonatal Nurses Day
30 National Women’s Health & Fitness Day®
October

Month-long Observances
Contact Lens Safety Month
National Dental Hygiene Month
National Disability Employment Awareness Month
Domestic Violence Awareness Month
Health Literacy Month
National Medical Librarians Month
Medical Ultrasound Awareness Month
American Pharmacists Month
National Physical Therapy Month
“Talk About Your Medicines” Month

Week-long Observances
4–10 Fire Prevention Week
4–10 National Healthcare Supply Chain Week
5–11 Healthcare Foodservice Workers Week
6–12 National Physicians Assistants Week
11–17 Healthcare Security and Safety Week
11–17 International Infection Prevention Week
12–18 National Nephrology Technicians/Technologists Recognition Week
14–16 FHA Annual Meeting CANCELED
18–24 National Healthcare Quality Week
19–23 Medical Assistants Recognition Week
19–23 Nuclear Science Week
23–31 Red Ribbon Week
25–31 National Health Care Facilities and Engineering Week

Recognition Days / Events
12 World Arthritis Day
16 Healthcare Security and Safety Officer Appreciation Day
22 International Stuttering Awareness Day
November

Month-long Observances
National Alzheimer’s Disease Awareness Month
National Family Caregivers Month
COPD Awareness Month
National Healthy Skin Month
National Hospice and Palliative Care Month
Lung Cancer Awareness Month
Prematurity Awareness Month
Jingle Bell Run for Arthritis (November-December)

Week-long Observances
1–7    Allied Health Professions Week
1–7    National Diabetes Education Week
8–14   National Nurse Practitioner Week
8–14   National Radiologic Technology Week

Recognition Days / Events
12   World Pneumonia Day
17   World Prematurity Day
18   World COPD Day
December

Month-long Observances
Safe Toys and Gifts Month

Week-long Observances
6–12 National Handwashing Awareness Week
6–12 National Influenza Vaccination Week

Recognition Days / Events
New Year’s Eve – Quit Smoking Resolutions (Dec. 31–Jan. 3)