

2009 Health Observances & Recognition Days

	DATE	WEBSITE
JANUARY		
National Blood Donor Month	1-31	www.aabb.org
National Medical Group Practice Week	19-23	www.mgma.com
National Nurse Anesthetists Week	25-31	www.aana.com
National IV Nurse Day	25	www.insl.org
FEBRUARY		
American Heart Month	1-28	www.americanheart.org
National Patient Recognition Week	1-7	www.nprw.com
National Burn Awareness Week	1-7	www.shinershq.org
Cardiovascular Professionals Week	8-14	www.acp-online.org
National Cardiac Rehabilitation Week	8-14	www.aacvpr.org
MARCH		
National Kidney Month	1-31	www.kidney.org
National Brain Injury Awareness Month	1-31	www.biausa.org
National Nutrition Month	1-31	www.eatright.org
National Professional Social Work Month	1-31	www.socialworkers.org
National Child Life Month	1-31	www.childlife.org
Patient Safety Awareness Week	8-14	www.npsf.org
Registered Dietitian Day	9	www.eatright.org
Brain Awareness Week	16-22	www.dana.org
National Pulmonary Rehabilitation Week	15-21	www.aacvpr.org
National Poison Prevention Week	15-21	www.poisonprevention.org
National Inhalants and Poisons Awareness Week	15-21	www.inhalants.org
National Doctors' Day	30	www.sma.org
APRIL		
Alcohol Awareness Month	1-30	www.ncadd.org
Child Abuse Prevention Month	1-30	www.preventchildabuse.org
National Occupational Therapy Month	1-30	www.aota.org or www.promoteot.org
National Public Health Week	6-12	www.apha.org
World Health Day	7	www.paho.org
National Radiology Nurses Day	8	www.arna.net
Cancer Registrars Week	12-18	www.ncra-usa.org
Patient Advocacy Week	12-18	www.shca-aha.org
Health Information Privacy/Security Week	12-18	www.ahima.org/hipsweek
National Electroneurodiagnostic Week	19-25	www.aset.org
Healthcare Administrative Professionals Week	19-25	http://ahcap.org
National Medical Laboratory Professionals Week	19-25	www.labweek.org
National Healthcare Volunteer Week	19-25	www.ahvrp@aha.org
National Infant Immunization Week	25-May 2	www.cdc.gov/vaccines

MAY

National Arthritis Month	1-31	www.arthritis.org
Better Hearing and Speech Month	1-31	www.entnet.org
National Mental Health Month	1-31	www.mentalhealthamerica.net
National Trauma Awareness Month	1-31	www.amtrauma.org
National American Stroke Month	1-31	www.strokeassociation.org
Oncology Nursing Month	1-31	www.ons.org
North American Occupational & Safety Week	3-9	www.asse.org
National Nurses Week	6-12	www.nursingworld.org
National School Nurse Day	6	www.nasn.org
National Hospital Week	10-16	www.imprintmall.com/hospitalweek/
National Nursing Home Week	10-16	www.nnhw.org
Critical Care Awareness and Recognition Day	15	www.aacn.org or www.sccm.org
National Emergency Medical Services Week	17-23	www.acep.org
National Medical Transcriptionist Week	17-23	www.aamt.org
Employee Health & Fitness Day	20	www.physicalfitness.org

JUNE

National Health Care Recruiter Recognition Day	2	www.nahcr.com
National Cancer Survivor Day	7	www.ncsdf.org
National Vascular Nursing Week	7-13	www.svnnet.org
National Nursing Assistants Week	11-18	www.cna-network.org
National Men's Health Week	15-21	www.menshealthweek.org
National Healthcare Risk Management Week	15-19	www.ashrm.org

JULY

Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month	1-31	www.arthritis.org
National Therapeutic Recreation Week	12-18	www.nrpa.org
National Hospitality House Week	19-25	www.nahhh.org

AUGUST

Neurosurgery Outreach Month	1-31	www.aans.org
National Kids Day	2	www.nationalkidsday.org
National Health Center Week	9-15	www.healthcenterweek.org
Health Unit Coordinator Day	23	www.nahuc.org

SEPTEMBER

National Assisted Living Week	13-19	www.ncal.org
National Healthcare Environmental Svc. & Housekeeping Week	13-19	www.ashes.org
Nephrology Nurses Week	13-19	www.annanurse.org
Neonatal Nurse's Day	15	www.nann.org
National Surgical Technologist Week	20-26	www.ast.org
National Rehabilitation Awareness Week	20-26	www.nraf-rehabnet.org
National Family Health & Fitness Day	26	www.fitnessday.com
Women's Health & Fitness Day	30	www.fitnessday.com

OCTOBER

National American Pharmacists Month	1-31	www.aphanet.org
National Breast Cancer Awareness Month	1-31	www.nbcam.org
National Physical Therapy Month	1-31	www.apta.org

National SIDS Awareness Month	1-31	www.firstcandle.org
Medical Ultrasound Awareness Month	1-31	www.sdms.org
National Gerontological Nursing Week	1-8	www.ngna.org
National Healthcare Resource & Materials Mgmt.	4-10	www.ahrmm.org
National Nurse-Midwifery Week	4-10	www.midwife.org
Nuclear Medicine Week	4-10	www/snm.org
National Healthcare Food Service Workers Week	5-11	www.ashfsa.org
National Physician Assistant Week	6-12	www.aapa.org
National Pediatric Nursing Week	9-15	www.pedsnurses.org
Emergency Nurses Week	11-17	www.ena.org
National Case Management Week	11-17	www.acmaweb.org
National Healthcare Central Service Week	12-18	www.iahcsmm.org
National Nephrology Techs/Technologist Week	12-17	www.nant@meinet.com
National Mammography Day	16	www.nbcam.org
International Infection Prevention Week	18-24	www.apic.org
National Healthcare Quality Week	18-24	www.nahq.org
National Hospital/Health System Pharmacy Week	18-24	www.ashp.org
National Medical Assistants Week	19-23	www.amt1.com
National Respiratory Care Week	25-31	www.aarc.org
Nat'l Healthcare Facilities & Engineering Week	25-31	www.ashe.org

NOVEMBER

National Home Care Month	1-30	www.nahc.org
National Hospice & Palliative Care Month	1-30	www.nhpco.org
Medical Surgical Nurses Week	1-7	www.medsurgnurse.org
National Medical Staff Services Week	1-7	www.namss.org
National Urology Nurses Week	1-7	www.sunu.org
Patient Transport Week	1-7	www.nahtm.org
National Allied Health Professions Week	1-7	www.asahp.org
National Health Information & Technology Week	1-7	www.ahima.org
National Diabetes Education Week	1-7	www.diabeteseducator.org
National Radiologic Technology Week	8-14	www.asrt.org
Perioperative Nurse Week	8-14	www.aorn.org
Great American Smokeout	19	www.cancer.org

DECEMBER

World AIDS Day	1	www.AIDS.gov
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