2022 Healthcare Recognition Dates: Everything You Need to Know

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It is the time of year that HR professionals start planning for 2022. Savvy HR leaders know that recognition is important enough that early planning and budgeting are important.

This is the most comprehensive list that we have developed to date. Many general health awareness dates have been included for two reasons: HR professionals use them in employee wellness communications, and I have discovered many healthcare marketing departments are using our list as well.

Since everybody gets recognized by someone at some point, I am sure there are omissions. Contact me and we will verify your submission and add it to the list.

January

- National Blood Donor Month
- Cervical Cancer Awareness Month
- National Eye Care Month
- National Pharmacist Day Jan. 12
- National Activity Professionals Week Jan. 23-29
- Intravenous Nurse Day Jan. 25

February

- American Heart Month
- National Children's Dental Health Month
- Wise Healthcare Consumer Month
- Patient Recognition Week Feb. 1-7
- National Women Physicians Day Feb. 3
- Peri-Anesthesia Nurses Week Feb. 7-13
- Wear Red Day Feb. 4
- Pride in Foodservice Week Feb. 7-11
- Cardiac Rehab Week Feb. 13-19
- Phlebotomist Recognition Week -Feb. 14-18
- National Caregivers Day -Feb. 18 (Caregivers Month-Nov)

March

- National Nutrition Month
- National Athletic Training Month
- Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month
- American Red Cross Month
- National Social Work Month
- Employee Appreciation Week Mar. 1-5
- Employee Appreciation Day -Mar. 4
- National Dentists Day Mar. 6
- National School Social Work Week Mar. 6-12
- Dental Assistants Recognition Week Mar. 6-12
- Registered Dietician Nutritionist Day Mar. 9
- Patient Safety Awareness Week Mar. 13-19
- National Pulmonary Rehabilitation Week Mar. 13-19
- Healthcare HR Professionals Week Mar. 14-18
- Certified Nurses Day Mar. 19
- Poison Prevention Week Mar. 20-26

- Health Information Professionals Week Mar. 20-26
- World Tuberculosis Day Mar. 24
- National Anesthesia Tech Week- Mar. 27 Apr. 2
- National Doctors Day Mar. 30

April

- National Donate Life Month
- Alcohol Awareness Month
- National Parkinson's Awareness Month
- Occupational Therapy Month
- Autism Awareness Month
- Child Abuse Awareness Month
- World Autism Awareness Day Apr. 2
- Patient Access Week Apr. 3-9
- National Cancer Registrar Week Apr. 4-8
- National Public Health Week Apr. 4-10
- World Health Day Apr. 7
- National Volunteer Week Apr. 17-23
- National Osteopathic Medicine Week Apr. 18-24
- Administrative Professionals Week Apr. 25-29
- Administrative Professionals Day Apr. 27
- Medical Lab Professionals Week Apr. 25-29
- Transplant Nurses Week Apr. 25-29

May

- Cancer Research Month
- Arthritis Awareness Month
- Asthma and Allergy Awareness Month
- Mental Health Awareness Month

- Fibromyalgia Awareness Month
- Lupus Awareness Month
- Skin Cancer Awareness Month
- Stroke Awareness Month
- Healthy Vision Month
- Better Hearing and Speech Month
- Global Employee Health and Fitness Month
- Critical Care Awareness Month
- Osteoporosis Awareness and Prevention Month
- National Blood Pressure Month
- Nurses Month
- Oncology Nursing Mont
- North American Occupational Safety & Health Week May 1-7
- Nurse's Week May 6-12
- National Hospital Week May 8-14
- National Skilled Nursing Care Week May 8-14
- Nursing Home Week May 8-14
- Women's Health Week May 8-14
- Neuroscience Nurses Week May 8-14
- Fibromyalgia Awareness Day May 12
- Healthcare Technology Management Week May 15-21
- Healthcare Documentation Integrity Week May 15-21
- National Employee Health and Fitness Day May 18
- National Speech Pathologist Day May 18
- National Accounts Receivable Appreciation Day May 19
- Spinal Health Week May 25-31

June

- National Safety Month
- Men's Health Month
- National Migraine and Headache Month
- PTSD Awareness Month
- Scoliosis Awareness Month

- Cataract Awareness Month
- Men's Health Week June 13-19
- National Nursing Assistant Week June 16-22
- Healthcare Risk Management Week June 20-24

July

- Cord Blood Awareness Month
- UV Safety Awareness Month
- National Therapeutic Recreation Week July 10-16
- World Plastic Surgery Day July 15
- Word Hepatitis Day July 28

August

- National Immunization Month
- Psoriasis Awareness Month
- National Eye Exam Month
- World Breastfeeding Week Aug. 1-7
- National Health Center Week Aug. 7-13
- Health Unit Coordinators Day Aug. 23

September

- Childhood Cancer Awareness Month
- Prostate Health Month
- Pain Awareness Month
- Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Month
- Sepsis Awareness Month

- Gynecological Cancer Month
- Thyroid Cancer Awareness Month
- Sickle Cell Awareness Month
- National Infant Mortality Awareness Month
- Vascular Nurses Week Sept. 4-10
- Suicide Prevention Week Sept. 4-10
- National Environmental Services Week Sept. 11-17
- National Assisted Living Week Sept. 11-17
- Neonatal Nurses Week Sept. 12-18
- Global Clean Hands Week Sept. 18-24
- Surgical Technologist Week Sept. 18-24
- Nursing Professional Development Week Sept. 18-24
- Human Resource Professionals Day -Sept. 26

October

- Breast Cancer Awareness Month
- American Pharmacist Month
- Physical Therapy Month
- Chiropractic Health Month
- Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- Bullying Prevention Month
- Health Literacy Month
- Clergy Appreciation Month
- National Disability Employment Month
- Ultrasound Awareness Month
- Healthcare Food Service Week Oct. 2-8
- Healthcare Supply Chain Week Oct. 2-8
- Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Week Oct. 2-8
- Customer Service Week Oct. 3-7
- National Physician Assistant Week Oct. 6-12
- Emergency Nurses Week Oct. 9-15
- Sterile Processing Week Oct. 9-15
- Dialysis Technician Recognition Week Oct. 10-15

- International Infection Prevention Week Oct. 16-22
- Clergy Appreciation Day Oct. 9
- Emergency Nurses Day Oct. 12
- Boss's Day Oct. 16
- Medical Assistants Recognition Week Oct. 17-21
- National Mammography Day Oct. 21
- National Healthcare Facilities & Engineering Week Oct. 23-29
- Red Ribbon Week Oct. 23-31
- National Respiratory Care Week Oct. 23-29

November

- American Diabetes Month
- Lung Cancer Awareness Month
- National Adoption Month
- COPD Awareness Month
- Stomach (Gastric) Cancer Awareness Month
- Epilepsy Awareness Month
- Family Caregivers Month
- Alzheimer's Disease Month
- National Hospice & Palliative Care Month
- National Patient Transport Week Nov. 1-7
- Allied Health Professionals Week Nov. 6-12
- National Radiologic Technology Week Nov. 6-12
- International Accounting Day Nov. 10
- World Pneumonia Day -Nov. 12
- National Nurse Practitioner Week Nov. 13-19
- Perioperative Nurses Week Nov. 13-19
- Great American Smokeout Nov. 17
- Computer Security Day Nov. 30

December

- Give the Gift of Sight Month
- World AIDS Day Dec. 1
- National Handwashing Awareness Week Dec. 4-10
- National Influenza Vaccination Week Dec. 4-10