



# State of North Carolina

**ROY COOPER**  
GOVERNOR

AMERICAN PHARMACISTS MONTH

2020

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

**WHEREAS**, pharmacists are clinical health experts that specialize in the proper use of medications and offer instruction and consultation to patients regarding their prescribed drugs; and

**WHEREAS**, today, there are over 300,000 pharmacists licensed in the United States providing services to help guarantee the rational and safe use of all medications; and

**WHEREAS**, the use of medication, as an occasionally more cost-effective alternative to expensive medical procedures, is becoming a major force in moderating overall health care costs; and

**WHEREAS**, today's medications require greater attention to the manner in which they are used by different patient population groups, both clinically and demographically; and

**WHEREAS**, it is important that all users of prescription and nonprescription medications, or their caregivers, be knowledgeable about and share responsibility for their own drug therapy; and

**WHEREAS**, pharmacists, due to their specified education, are ideally suited to work collaboratively with other health care providers and patients to improve medication use and outcomes by providing services through medication therapy management; and

**WHEREAS**, the State of North Carolina recognizes the specialized work that pharmacists carry out every day in order to ensure that our residents are healthy and well-informed;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, I, ROY COOPER, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim October, 2020, as "AMERICAN PHARMACISTS MONTH" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



  
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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 twenty-ninth day of September in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-fifth.