# Health Awareness Days 2017

## JANUARY
- **Sunsmart Skin Cancer Awareness Month**
  - 4: World Braille Day
  - 31: World Leprosy Day

## FEBRUARY
- **Healthy Lifestyle Awareness Month, Reproductive Health Month, Environmental Health Awareness Month**
  - 4: World Cancer Day
  - 8-14: National Epilepsy Week
  - 10-16: STI / Condom Week
  - 8-14: Pregnancy Awareness Week
  - 19: Healthy Lifestyles Awareness Day
  - 21-28 Mar: HPV 1st round

## MARCH
- **TB Awareness Month**
  - 4-8: School Health Week
  - 8: International Women’s Day
  - 6-12: World Haemophilia Day
  - 16-22: World Salt Awareness Week
  - 10: World Kidney Day
  - 20: World Head Injury Awareness Day
  - 21: Human Rights Day
  - 21: World Down Syndrome Day
  - 2: World TB Day

## APRIL
- **Health Awareness Month**
  - 2: World Autism Day
  - 7: World Health Day
  - 17: World Haemophilia Day
  - 24-30: Global / African Vaccination Week
  - 25: World Malaria Day

## MAY
- **Anti-Tobacco Campaign Month, Burns Awareness Month, International Multiple Sclerosis Month**
  - 1-8: Hospice Week
  - 5: World Hand Hygiene Day
  - 6-12: Burns Awareness Week
  - 8: World Red Cross
  - 10: World Move for Health Day
  - 12: World Chronic Fatigue and Immune Dysfunction Syndrome
  - 12: International Nurses Day
  - 15 May-15 June: Go Turquoise for the Elderly
  - 17: World Hypertension Day
  - 27 May-2 June: Child Protection Week
  - 28: International Day of Action for Women’s Health
  - 31: World No Tobacco Day

## JUNE
- **Men’s Health Month, National Blood Donor Month, National Youth Month, Go Turquoise for the Elderly Month**
  - 1: International Children’s Day
  - 2: International Cancer Survivor’s Day
  - 3-9: World Heart Rhythm Week
  - 4: International Day of Disabled Children - Victims of Aggression
  - 5: World Environment Day
  - 14: World Blood Donor Day
  - 15: World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
  - 16-24: National Epilepsy Week
  - 21: National Epilepsy Day
  - 20-26: National Youth Health Indaba
  - 24-28: SANCA Drug Awareness Week
  - 26: International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking

## JULY
- **Mental Illness Awareness Month**
  - 1-5: Corporate Wellness Week
  - 11: World Population Day
  - 18: International Mandela Day
  - 28: World Hepatitis Day

## AUGUST
- **Bone Marrow Stem Cell Donation and Leukemia, Awareness Month (spans 15 August to 15 October), National Women’s Month, Organ Donor Month, Child Health Month**
  - 1-7: World Breastfeeding Week
  - 1-7: CANSA Care Week
  - 3-28: HPV Vaccination Campaign

## SEPTEMBER
- **Albinism Awareness Month, Bone Marrow Stem Cell Donation and Leukemia Awareness Months (spans 15 August to 15 October), Cervical Cancer Awareness Month**
  - 1 October: World Contraception Day
  - 26: World Contraception Day
  - 26: World Environmental Health Day
  - 26: World Retina Day
  - 26: World Environmental Health Day
  - 28: World Rabies Day
  - 29: World Heart Day

## OCTOBER
- **Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Mental Health Awareness Month**
  - 1: International Day for Older Persons
  - 2: National Inherited Disorder Day
  - 9: World Sight Day
  - 9: Partnership against AIDS Anniversary
  - 9: International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction
  - 9-15: National Nutrition Week
  - 12: World Mental Health Day
  - 10: World Hospice and Palliative Care Day
  - 11-17: Case Manager Week
  - 12: World Arthritis Day
  - 12: National Bandana Day
  - 10: World Hospice and Palliative Care Day
  - 12-20: World Bone and Joint Week
  - 15: National Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Day
  - 15-19: National Obesity Week
  - 16: World Food Day
  - 16: World Spine Day
  - 17: World Trauma Day
  - 17: International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
  - 20: World Down Syndrome Day
  - 20: World Osteoporosis Day
  - 20-26: International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week
  - 23: National Iodine Deficiency Disorder Day
  - 24: World Polio Day
  - 28-3 November: World Stroke Week
  - 29: World Stroke Day
  - 30: Commemoration of African Food and Nutrition Security Day

## NOVEMBER
- **Quality Month, Red Ribbon Month**
  - 2: National Children’s Day
  - 4-10: National Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Week
  - 2: SADC Malaria Week
  - 9: SADC Malaria Day
  - 9: World Quality Day
  - 14: World Diabetes Day
  - 25: International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
  - 25 Nov-10: Sixteen Days of Activism on No Violence Against Women & Children

## DECEMBER
- **Prevention of Injuries Month, Sunsmart Skin Cancer Awareness Month**
  - 1: International Day for Persons with Disability
  - 5: International Volunteers Day
  - 9: World Patient Safety Day
  - 10: International Human Rights Day

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