

Health Awareness Days 2017

JANUARY		6-12	Polio Awareness Week
Sunsmart Skin Cancer Awareness Month		4-10	Rheumatic Fever and Rheumatic Heart Disease
4	World Braille Day	9	National Women's Day
31	World Leprosy Day	12	International Youth Day
FEBRUARY		22-28Mar	2 nd round
Healthy Lifestyle Awareness Month, Reproductive Health Month, Environmental Health Awareness Month		26-31	African Traditional Medicine Week
4	World Cancer Day	31	African Traditional Medicine Day
8-14	National Epilepsy Week	SEPTEMBER	
10-16	STI / Condom Week	Albinism Awareness Month, Bone Marrow Stem Cell Donation and Leukaemia Awareness Months (spans 15 August to 15 October), Cervical Cancer Awareness Month	
8-14	Pregnancy Awareness Week	Childhood Cancer Awareness Month, Eye Care Awareness Month (spans 19 September to 16 October), Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month, National Heart Awareness Month, National Month of Deaf People, National Oral Health Month	
19	Healthy Lifestyles Awareness Day	2-6	Kidney Awareness Week
21-28 Mar	HPV 1 st round	2-6	Back Week
MARCH		9	International Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Day
TB Awareness Month		9	World Sight Day
4-8	School Health Week	10	International Gynaecological Health Day
8	International Women's Day	14	National Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Day (ADHD)
6-12	World Glaucoma Week	15	National Sunflower Day
16-22	World Salt Awareness Week	21	World Alzheimer's Day
10	World Kidney Day	21-27	World Retina Week
20	World Head Injury Awareness Day	23	Commencement of Eye Care Awareness Month
21	Human Rights Day	26	World Retina Day
21	World Down Syndrome Day	26	World Environmental Health Day
24	World TB day	26	World Contraception Day
APRIL		28	World Rabies Day
Health Awareness Month		29	World Heart Day
2	World Autism Day	OCTOBER	
7	World Health Day	Bone Marrow Stem Cell Donation and Leukaemia, Awareness Month (spans 15 August to 15 October), Eye Care Awareness Month (spans 23 September to 20 October) Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Mental Health Awareness Month	
17	World Haemophilia Day	1	International Day for Older Persons
24-30	Global / African Vaccination Week	1	National Inherited Disorder Day
25	World Malaria Day	8	World Sight Day
MAY		9	Partnership against AIDS Anniversary
Anti-Tobacco Campaign Month, Burns Awareness Month, International Multiple Sclerosis Month		9	International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction
1-8	Hospice Week	9-15	National Nutrition Week
5	World Hand Hygiene Day	12	World Mental Health Day
6-12	Burns Awareness Week	10	World Hospice and Palliative Care Day
8	World Red Cross	11-17	Case Manager Week
10	World Move for Health Day	12	World Arthritis Day
12	World Chronic Fatigue and Immune Dysfunction Syndrome	12	National Bandana Day
12	International Nurses Day	10	World Hospice and Palliative Care Day
15 May-15Jun	Go Turquoise for the Eldery	12-20	World Bone and Joint Week
17	World Hypertension Day	15	National Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Day
27 May-2Jun	Child Protection Week	15-19	National Obesity Week
28	International Day of Action for Women's Health	16	World Food Day
31	World No Tobacco Day	16	World Spine Day
JUNE		17	World Trauma Day
Men's Health Month, National Blood Donor Month, National Youth Month, Go Turquoise for the elderly Month		17	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
1	International Children's Day	20	National Down Syndrome Day
2	International Cancer Survivor's Day	20	World Osteoporosis Day
3-9	World Heart Rhythm Week	20-26	International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week
4	International Day of Innocent Children - Victims of Aggression	23	National Iodine Deficiency Disorder Day
5	World Environment Day	24	World Polio Day
14	World Blood Donor Day	28-3	November World Stroke Week
15	World Elder Abuse Awareness Day	29	World Stroke Day
16-24	National Epilepsy Week	30	Commemoration of African Food and Nutrition Security Day
21	National Epilepsy Day	NOVEMBER	
20-26	National Youth Health Indaba	Quality Month, Red Ribbon Month	
24-28	SANCA Drug Awareness Week	2	National Children's Day
26	International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking	4-10	National Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) Week
JULY		2-6	SADC Malaria Week
Mental Illness Awareness Month		9	SADC Malaria Day
1-5	Corporate Wellness Week	9	World Quality Day
11	World Population Day	14	World Diabetes Day
18	International Mandela Day	25	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
28	World Hepatitis Day	25Nov-10	Sixteen Days of Activism on No Violence Against Women & Children
AUGUST		DECEMBER	
Bone Marrow Stem Cell Donation and Leukaemia, Awareness Months (spans 15 August to 15 October), National Women's Month, Organ Donor Month, Child Health Month		Prevention of Injuries Month, Sunsmart Skin Cancer Awareness Month	
1-7	World Breastfeeding Week	1	World AIDS Day
1-7	CANSA Care Week	3	International Day of Persons with Disability
3-28	HPV Vaccination Campaign	5	International Volunteers Day
		9	World Patient Safety Day
		10	International Human Rights Day

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