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Health  
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## 2022 Health Awareness Calendar

### January 2022

<b>SunSmart Skin Cancer Awareness Month</b>	
4	World Braille Day
23	World Leprosy Day

### February 2022

<b>Healthy Lifestyle Awareness Month</b>	
<b>Reproductive Health Month</b>	
<b>Environmental Health Awareness Month</b>	
4	World Cancer Day
14	International Epilepsy Day
8-14	National Epilepsy Week
10-16	Pregnancy Awareness Week
12-16	STICondom Week
2 Feb - 31 Mar	Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination first round
18	Health Lifestyle Awareness Day

## March 2022

### TB Awareness Month

3	World Hearing Day
3	World Birth Defects Day
4	World Obesity Day
6-12	World Glaucoma Week
8	International Women's Day
14-20	World Salt Awareness Week
10	World Kidney Day
12	World Glaucoma Day
20	World Head Injury Awareness Day
21	Human Rights Day
21	World Down Syndrome Day
24	World TB Day

## April 2022

### Health Awareness Month

2	World Autism Awareness Day
7	World Health Day
17	World Haemophilia Day
24-30	African Vaccination Week
25	World Malaria Day

## May 2022

Anti-tobacco Campaign Month

Burns Awareness Month

International Multiple Sclerosis Month

1-7	Hospice Week
5	World Hand Hygiene Day
5	International Midwives Day
6-12	National Burns Awareness Week
8	World Red Cross Day
10	Global Move for Health Day
12	International Awareness Day for Chronic Immunological and Neurological Diseases
12	International Nurses Day
15 May-15 Jun	Go Turquoise for the Elderly Campaign
17	World Hypertension Day
28	International Day of Action for Women's Health
29 May- 5 June	Child Protection Week
31	World No Tobacco Day

## June 2022

Men's Health Month

National Blood Donor Month

National Youth Month

Go Turquoise for the Elderly Campaign

1	International Children's Day
5	World Environment Day
5	National Cancer Survivors Day
7-13	World Heart Rhythm Week
14	World Blood Donor Day
15	World Elder Abuse Awareness Day
16	Youth Day
20-26	SANCA Drug Awareness Week
25	World Vitiligo Day
26	International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

## July 2022

### Mental Illness Awareness Month

4-8	Corporate Wellness Week
11	World Population Day
18	Nelson Mandela International Day
28	World Hepatitis Day

## August 2022

### Bone Marrow Stem Cell Donation and Leukaemia Awareness Month (15 August to 15 October)

### National Women's Month

### Organ Donor Month

### Child Health Month

1-7	World Breastfeeding Week
1-7	Rheumatic Fever and Rheumatic Heart Disease Awareness Week
7-13	Polio Awareness Week
9	National Women's Day
12	International Youth Day
26-31	African Traditional Medicine Week
31	African Traditional Medicine Day

## September 2022

<b>Albinism Awareness Month</b>	
<b>Bone Marrow Stem Cell Donation and Leukaemia Awareness Month (15 August to 15 October)</b>	
<b>Cervical Cancer Awareness Month</b>	
<b>Childhood Cancer Awareness Month</b>	
<b>Eye Care Awareness Month (20 September to 17 October)</b>	
<b>Muscular Dystrophy Awareness Month</b>	
<b>Heart Awareness Month</b>	
<b>National Month of Deaf People</b>	
<b>National Oral Health Month</b>	
<b>Pharmacy Month</b>	
<b>1 Sept – 31 Oct</b>	<b>Human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination second round</b>
<b>5-9</b>	<b>National Kidney Awareness Week</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>International Foetal Alcohol Syndrome Day</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>International Gynaecological Health Day</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>National Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Day</b>
<b>16</b>	<b>Sunflower Day</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>World Patient Safety Day</b>
<b>19-25</b>	<b>World Retina Week</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>World Alzheimer's Day</b>
<b>24</b>	<b>World Retina Day</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>World Pharmacist Day</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>World Environmental Health Day</b>
<b>26</b>	<b>World Contraception Day</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>World Rabies Day</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>World Heart Day</b>

## October 2022

Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder Month	
Bone Marrow Stem Cell Donation and Leukaemia Awareness Month (15 August to 15 October)	
Eye Care Awareness Month (21 September to 18 October)	
Breast Cancer Awareness Month	
Mental Health Awareness Month	
1	International Day of Older Persons
4-8	Back Care Awareness Week
8	World Hospice and Palliative Care Day
9-15	National Nutrition Week
9-15	National Case Management Week (final confirmation will only be in January 2022 about this date)
10	World Mental Health Day
10-14	School Health Week
12	World Arthritis Day
12-20	World Bone and Joint Week
13	International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction
13	World Sight Day
15	Global Handwashing Day
16	World Food Day
16	World Spine Day
16	World Restart A Heart Day
17	World Trauma Day
17	International Day for the Eradication of Poverty
17	National Emergency Medical Services Day
20	National Down Syndrome Day
20	World Osteoporosis Day
21	Global Iodine Deficiency Disorders Prevention Day
24	World Polio Day
23-29	International Lead Poisoning Prevention Week
28 Oct-3 Nov	National Stroke Week
29	World Stroke Day
30	Africa Food and Nutrition Security Day

## November 2022

Quality Month	
Red Ribbon Month	
Disability Rights Awareness Month (3 November to 3 December)	
2-4	Rotary Family Health Day Outreach Campaign
5	National Children's Day
6	SACD Malaria Day
8	World Radiography Day
10	World Quality Day
14	World Diabetes Day
17	World Prematurity Day
18-24	World Antimicrobial Awareness Week
25	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women
25 Nov-10 Dec	16 Days of Activism for No Violence Against Women and Children

## December 2022

Prevention of Injuries Month	
SunSmart Skin Cancer Awareness Month (1 December to 31 January)	
1	World AIDS Day
3	International Day of Persons with Disabilities
5	International Volunteer Day
10	International Human Rights Day
12	Universal Health Coverage Day