

# Commonwealth of Pennsylvania



## Governor's Office

### PROCLAMATION

**MEN'S HEALTH MONTH**  
June 2017

**MEN'S HEALTH WEEK**  
June 12-18, 2017

*WHEREAS, despite advances in medical technology and research, men continue to live an average of almost five years less than women, with African-American men having the lowest life expectancy of all populations in the United States; and*

*WHEREAS, educating the public and health care providers about the importance of a healthy lifestyle and early detection of male health problems will reduce rates of mortality from disease; and*

*WHEREAS, men who are educated about the value of preventive health will be more likely to participate in health screenings, therefore modeling healthy choices for their families; and*

*WHEREAS, Men's Health Week was developed as a special campaign to help educate men and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes and preventive health practices; and*

*WHEREAS, Men's Health Week focuses on a broad range of men's health issues, including heart disease, diabetes, mental health, and prostate, testicular, and colon cancer; and*

*WHEREAS, by promoting physical and mental wellness through healthy lifestyle choices, regular exercise, and medical checkups, we protect the commonwealth's greatest resource – its people.*

*THEREFORE, I, Tom Wolf, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim June 2017 as MEN'S HEALTH MONTH and June 12-18, 2017, as MEN'S HEALTH WEEK. I encourage all Pennsylvanians to pursue preventive health practices and early detection efforts.*



*GIVEN under my hand and the Seal of the Governor, at the City of Harrisburg, on this twentieth day of April two thousand seventeen, the year of the commonwealth the two hundred forty-first.*

*Tom Wolf*  
TOM WOLF  
Governor