

## STATE OF TEXAS OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

Pharmacists personally promote health and healing, thus allowing patients to feel and function at their best. The most accessible health care providers, pharmacists deliver critical services to patients and bolster public health in Texas and beyond.

This profession requires expertise in chemistry, biology, and pharmacology, and pharmacists undergo many years of formal education and must meet rigorous licensure requirements. Today, there are more than 300,000 pharmacists, 400,000 pharmacy technicians, and 47,000 student pharmacists serving communities throughout our state and nation.

Scientific progress has paved the way for many marvels of modern medicine, which have transformed, enhanced, and extended life. This groundbreaking innovation, though, would have little bearing on the lives of ordinary people without pharmacists, who connect patients in need with all manner of medicine.

Nearly every American lives within five miles of a pharmacy, and this proximity allows pharmacists to ensure the best outcomes and help patients understand their medications. The men and women who lend their talents to pharmacies, moreover, collaborate with other healthcare providers and constantly advocate on patients' behalf.

Each year, the month of October is set aside in order to shed light on the work of our pharmacists and to promote this rewarding career path. I encourage all Texans to recognize our outstanding pharmacists and pharmacy technicians, who are essential to our healthcare system. Pharmacists use their specialized talents in service to the greater good, and their work will be of great value as we strive together toward a bigger, better Texas.

Therefore, I, Greg Abbott, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim October 2025 to be

## **Pharmacist Month**



in Texas and urge all Texans to observe the occasion with appropriate ceremonies and activities.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto affixed my signature this the 26th day of September, 2025.

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Governor of Texas