



Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) and Recognition Calendar (2025)

January

Tamil Heritage Month
Alzheimer's Awareness Month

New Year's Day - January 1
Shogatsu/Gantan-sai – January 1 (Japanese New Year)
National Braille Day – January 4
Orthodox Christmas Day – January 7
National Maintenance Worker Day – January 18
World Religion Day – January 19
Martin Luther King Jr. Day – January 20
Blue Monday – January 20
Bell Let's Talk Day - January 22
International Day to Commemorate Memory of Victims of Holocaust – January 27
Nation Day of Remembrance of the Quebec City Mosque Attack & Action Against Islamophobia – January 29
Lunar New Year Starts – January 29

February

Black History Month
Recreation Therapy Month
Heart Month

Phlebotomist Week – February 10 – 14
Cardiac Rehab Week - February 11-17
Ramadan – February 28 – March 29

World Cancer Day - February 4
Lunar (Chinese) New Year - February 10
World Day of the Sick - February 11
Valentine's Day - February 14
Random Act of Kindness Day – February 17
Pink Shirt Day (anti-bullying) - February 26

March

Pharmacy Appreciation Month
National Social Work Month
Colorectal Awareness Month
Liver Health Month
Nutrition Month

Patient Safety Awareness Week - March 10-16
Healthcare HR Week - March 10-14
Poison Prevention Week – March 16-24

International Women's Day - March 8
Holi - March 14
Hola Mohalla – March 14-16
Dietitian's Day - March 15
St. Patrick's Day - March 17
International Francophonie Day – March 20
International Day for Elimination of Racial Discrimination – March 21
Purple Day for Epilepsy Awareness – March 26
Eid Al-Fitr – March 29-30
Hindu New Year – March 30
International Transgender Day of Visibility – March 31

April

World Autism Month
Sikh Heritage Month
Be A Donor Month

National Medical Laboratory Week - April 13-19
NSWOCC Week – April 15-19
National Organ and Tissue Awareness Week - April 17-27
Health Information Professionals' Week - April 21-25
National Volunteer Week - April 27 – May 3

World Autism Awareness Day – April 2
World Health Day - April 7
Trillium Gift of Life (TGLN) Green Shirt Day - April 7
Advanced Care Planning Day – April 16
Good Friday – April 18
Earth Day – April 22

Administrative Professionals' Day - April 23
National Day of Mourning - April 28

May

National Physiotherapy Month
Critical Care Awareness and Recognition Month
National Speech and Hearing Month
Asian Heritage Month
Jewish Heritage Month
Stroke Awareness Month

Occupational Health and Safety Week - May 5-10
National Police Week – May 11-17
National Hospital Week - May 11-17
National Nursing Week - May 12-18
Mental Health Week - May 12-18
EMS Week – May 19-25
National Accessibility Week

National Physicians' Day - May 1
Cinco de Mayo - May 5
Red Dress Day – May 5
Child and Youth MH Day – May 7
World Ovarian Cancer Day – May 8
Mother's Day- May 11
Canada Health Day - May 12
Global Accessibility Awareness – May 15
Victoria Day - May 19
World Hunger Day – May 28
World No Tobacco Day - May 31

June

National Indigenous History Month
Pride Month
Stroke Awareness Month
Seniors Month

Men's Health Week – June 9-15

Canadian Armed Forces Day - June 4
Eid al-Adha – June 6-10

Father's Day - June 15
World Elder Abuse Awareness – June 15
National indigenous People's Day – June 21
Canadian Multiculturalism Day – June 27

July

Canada Day - July 1
International Self-Care Day – July 24

August

Emancipation Day – August 1
Civic Holiday - August 4
International Day of the World's Indigenous People – August 9
Overdose Awareness Day – August 31

September

Prostate Cancer Awareness Month
World Alzheimer's Month

Mennonite Heritage Week September 7-13
Environmental Services and Housekeeper Appreciation Week - September 14-20

Labour Day - September 1
Suicide Prevention – September 10
World First Aid Day – September 13
National IT Professionals' Day - September 16
National Rehabilitation Day - September 18
HR Professional Day – September 26
National Day for Truth and Reconciliation / Orange Shirt Day - September 30

October

Occupational Therapy Month
Breast Cancer Awareness Month
Women's History Month
Fire Prevention Month

Healthcare Supply Chain Week - October 5-11
Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging Week - October 6-12
Healthcare Food Service Workers' Week - October 6-10
Workplace Bullying Awareness Week - October 12-18
Sterile Processing (MDR) Week - October 13-19
International Infection Prevention Week - October 19-25
Spiritual Care Week - October 19-25
Respiratory Therapy Week - October 19-25
Invisible Disabilities Week – October 19-25
Pharmacy Week – October 20-23
Canadian Patient Safety Week - October 28 – November 1
Sonography Week

Senior's Day – October 1
Yom Kippur - October 1-2
National Day of Action for MMIWG2S – October 4
Thanksgiving - October 13
Pregnancy and Infant Loss Remembrance Day – October 15
International Pronouns Day – October 19
Diwali – October 20
Rosh Hashanah - October 22-24
Halloween - October 31

November

Fall Prevention Month
Domestic Violence Month
Lung Cancer Awareness Month

Allied Health Professional Week- November 2-10
Medical Radiation Technologist (MRT) Week - November 2-8
Treaties Recognition Week – November 2-8
Nurse Practitioner Week – November 10-16
Transgender Awareness Week – November 13-19

National Indigenous Veteran's Day – November 8
Remembrance Day - November 11
World Diabetes Day – November 14
International Men's Day - November 19
World Child Day - November 20
International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women – November 25

December

International Day of Persons with Disabilities – December 3

National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women – December 6

International Human Rights Day – December 10

Christmas - December 25

Hanukkah - December 14 – December 22

Kwanzaa - December 26

Boxing Day - December 26