

# State of South Carolina

## Governor's Proclamation

**WHEREAS,** there are more than 171,000 nurse practitioners (NPs) in the United States providing high-quality, cost-effective, and patient-centered healthcare to people of all ages; and

**WHEREAS,** NPs practice in a variety of care settings, including private office practice, hospitals, schools, long-term care facilities, state and local health departments, managed care facilities, and retail-based clinics; and

**WHEREAS,** NPs throughout South Carolina order, perform, and interpret diagnostic tests, diagnose and treat acute and chronic conditions, and prescribe medication and other treatments; and

**WHEREAS,** in addition to clinical services, NPs focus on health promotion, disease prevention, and education and counseling, helping to guide patients to make smarter health and lifestyle choices.

**NOW, THEREFORE,** I, Nikki R. Haley, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim November 10 - 16, 2013, as

### NURSE PRACTITIONER WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize nurse practitioners for their contributions to the delivery of quality healthcare services to the people of the Palmetto State.



**NIKKI R. HALEY**  
**GOVERNOR**  
**STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA**