

STATE OF INDIANA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
INDIANAPOLIS

Executive Order

PROCLAMATION

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, GREETINGS:

- WHEREAS,** it is estimated that 6.7 million people currently live with chronic wounds and that number is expected to grow at more than two percent annually for the next decade. The rising incidence is fueled by an aging population and increasing rates of diseases and conditions such as diabetes, obesity and the late effects of radiation therapy; and
- WHEREAS,** untreated chronic wounds can lead to diminished quality of life and possibly amputation of the affected limb; and
- WHEREAS,** more than 29.1 million people (9.3 percent of population) have diabetes in the United States (US) and almost two million of those people will develop a diabetic foot ulcer or other non-healing wound; and
- WHEREAS,** advanced wound care aims to prevent amputations and heal patients in a faster and more cost-effective way; and
- WHEREAS,** wound care physicians and health care providers take great pride in caring for their patients, and seeing their patients succeed; and
- WHEREAS,** awareness and education about chronic wounds will benefit current and future chronic wound patients;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Eric J. Holcomb, Governor of the State of Indiana, do hereby proclaim June 5th-11th, 2017 as

WOUND CARE AWARENESS WEEK

in the State of Indiana, and invite all citizens to duly note this occasion.

*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto
set my hand and cause to be affixed the
Great Seal of State. Done at the
City of Indianapolis, this 1st
day of May the year of our
Lord 2017 and of the Independence
of the United States 241.*



BY THE GOVERNOR:

Eric J. Holcomb