



National Cancer  
Control Programme

# Cancer Prevention Awareness Days 2026

## January

Date	Awareness Day
19th-25th	Cervical Cancer Prevention Week

## February

All Month - **Oesophageal Cancer Awareness Month**

Date	Awareness Day
4th	World Cancer Day
15th	International Childhood Cancer Day
17th-23rd	Cancer Prevention Action Week
18th	National No Smoking Day

## March

All Month - **Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month**  
All Month - **Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month**

Date	Awareness Day
4th	World Obesity Day
4th	International HPV Awareness Day
8th	International Women's Day

## April

All Month - **Bowel Cancer Awareness Month**  
All Month - **Healthy Ireland and HSE SunSmart Campaign**  
All Month - **Testicular Cancer Awareness Month**

Date	Awareness Day
7th	World Health Day
28th	World Day for Safety and Health at Work
24th-30th	World Immunization Week

## May

All Month - **Skin Cancer Awareness Month**  
All Month - **Healthy Ireland and HSE SunSmart Campaign**  
All Month - **Bladder Cancer Awareness Month**

Date	Awareness Day
4th	Melanoma Monday
8th	World Ovarian Cancer Day
12th	International Nurses Day
25th-31st	European Week Against Cancer
27th	National Sunscreen Day
31st	World No-Tobacco Day

## June

All Month - **Healthy Ireland and HSE SunSmart Campaign**

Date	Awareness Day
7th	Cancer Survivors Day
15th-21st	Men's Health Awareness Week
23rd-29th	Love Your Lungs Week
12th	World Kidney Cancer Day
24th-30th	World Wellbeing Week

## July

All Month - **Healthy Ireland and HSE SunSmart Campaign**

Date	Awareness Day
6th-12th	Alcohol Awareness Week
20th-24th	Farm Safety Week
27th	World Head and Neck Cancer Day

## August

All Month - **Healthy Ireland and HSE SunSmart Campaign**

Date	Awareness Day
1st-7th	World Breastfeeding Week

## September

All Month - **Blue September Month - Prostate Cancer**  
All Month - **Urology Awareness Month**  
All Month - **Childhood Cancer Awareness Month**  
All Month - **Gynaecological Cancer Awareness Month**  
All Month - **Healthy Ireland and HSE SunSmart Campaign**

Date	Awareness Day
20th	World Gynecologic Oncology Day
20th	Mouth Cancer Awareness Day
22nd-28th	European Week of Sport
24th	World Cancer Research Day
28th	National Walking Day
25th-2nd Oct	Positive Ageing Week

## October

All Month - **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**  
All Month - **Liver Cancer Awareness Month**

Date	Awareness Day
25th Sept - 2nd Oct	Positive Ageing Week
1st	International Day of the Older Person
1st-7th	National Breastfeeding Week HSE

## November

All Month - **International Lung Cancer Awareness Month**  
All Month - **November Prostate Cancer Awareness Month**  
All Month - **Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month**

Date	Awareness Day
7th	European Radon Day
19th	International Men's Health Day
19th	World Pancreatic Cancer Day

## December

Date	Awareness Day
TBC	Awareness Week on Alcohol Related Harm

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