

STATE OF TEXAS  
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Nurse practitioners are degreed, licensed health care professionals who possess advanced medical education and clinical training in various health care specialties.

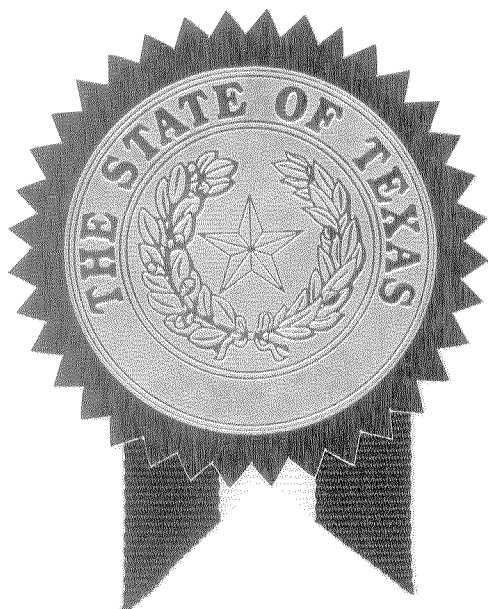
The thousands of highly skilled nurse practitioners in Texas offer invaluable expertise. They perform physical examinations, obtain medical histories, and diagnose and treat illnesses and injuries. They often prescribe medications and administer vaccines, as well.

Nurse practitioners practice under rules and regulations enforced by the Texas Board of Nursing and are valued members of Texas' outstanding health care community. To raise awareness of the nurse practitioner's role in modern health care, a public awareness campaign will be conducted throughout the Lone Star State during a week in November.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to recognize the immeasurable contributions nurse practitioners make to the health and well-being of Texans. They make a difference every day.

Therefore, I, Rick Perry, Governor of Texas, do hereby proclaim November 13-19, 2011, to be

## **Nurse Practitioner Week**



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,  
I hereby affix my signature this the  
5<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2011.

*Rick Perry*  
Governor of Texas