



Proclamation

From the Governor of the State of Maryland

NATIONAL INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK

APRIL 19 - 25, 2026

WHEREAS, One in seven women have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Infertility, which is defined as a disease by the World Health Organization and American Medical Association, affects all people equally and does not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, or socioeconomic level; and

WHEREAS, Infertility is a complex diagnosis; some people become infertile due to a medical treatment for another condition, most often chemotherapy or radiation for cancer; and

WHEREAS, Family-building options include adoption and medical treatment, although costs and lack of insurance coverage continue to exist as barriers to treatment access; and

WHEREAS, The State of Maryland sees access to these family-building options as part of overall reproductive freedom, which the Moore-Miller Administration has championed; and

WHEREAS, During National Infertility Awareness Week, the State of Maryland commits to raising awareness of infertility and its effects, addressing the barriers faced by those seeking to build families, and continuing to do the work alongside health care communities across the state to leave no one behind.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WES MOORE, GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, do hereby proclaim APRIL 19 - 25, 2026 as NATIONAL INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK in Maryland, and do commend this observation to all of our citizens.

Given Under My Hand and the Great Seal of the State of Maryland,
this 19th day of April
Two Thousand and twenty-six


Governor

Dwena Miller

Lt. Governor

Heaven C. Lee

Secretary of State

