



**STATE OF TEXAS
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In all corners of our state, health care professionals dedicate themselves to providing quality care to Texans who are ill or injured. In addition to a skilled staff with the best technology and medicines at the ready, cleanliness is especially important in medical settings, where sick Texans visiting the doctor or undergoing procedures could be exposed to a new illness. Throughout Texas, central sterile supply department professionals ensure medical instruments and supplies are thoroughly cleaned, disinfected and sterilized. Their continued commitment to their work and to maintaining high standards of sanitation is critical in keeping patients safe.

Each year, a week in October is dedicated to raising awareness of central sterile supply departments, promoting patient safety and providing educational and professional development opportunities.

At this time, I encourage all Texans to learn more about central sterile supply department careers and the role these dedicated professionals play in ensuring patients receive exceptional care.

Therefore, I, Rick Perry, Governor of the State of Texas, do hereby proclaim
October 13–19, 2013, to be

Central Sterile Supply Department Week



in Texas, and urge the appropriate recognition whereof.

In official recognition whereof,
I hereby affix my signature this the
18th day of September, 2013.

Rick Perry
Governor of Texas