



## May 2024

### Observances

05/1-05/31 | Asian American & Pacific Islander Heritage Month ([learn more](#)),  
Mental Health Awareness Month, Jewish American Heritage Month ([learn more](#)),  
Older Americans Month ([learn more](#))

05/1 | Beltane ([learn more](#))

05/3 | Holy Friday/Good Friday (Eastern Orthodox Christian)

05/5 | Pascha/Easter (Eastern Orthodox Christian)

05/5 | Cinco de Mayo ([learn more](#))

05/5-6 | Yom HaSho'ah – Begins at Sundown (Jewish Holocaust Remembrance Day)

05/6-12 | National Nurses Week ([learn more](#))

05/6-12 | Deaf Awareness Week

05/19 | Accessibility Awareness Day ([learn more](#))

05/22 | Buddha Day/Visakha Puja ([learn more](#))

05/28 | World Hunger Day

05/29 | Ascension of the Bahá'u'lláh ([learn more](#))

05/29 | Memorial Day (University closed)

## Spotlight: Mental Health Awareness Month

Since its inception in 1949, Mental Health Awareness Month has been a cornerstone of addressing the challenges faced by millions of Americans living with mental health conditions.

A mental illness is a condition that affects a person's thinking, feeling, behavior or mood. These conditions deeply impact day-to-day living and may also affect the ability to relate to others. If you have — or think you might have — a mental illness, the first thing you must know is that **you are not alone**. Mental health conditions are far more common than you think, mainly because people don't like to, or are scared to, talk about them. However:

05/09 |In Our Voices/GSA Presents: Living with HIV 2:00pm, MedEd 100 or [join via Zoom](#)

05/13 |Khan Family Fund Refugee and Immigrant Health Lectureship  
*Opportunities to Advance Health Equity Amidst a Shifting Migration Landscape in Vermont*- Naomi Wolcott-MacCausland- 8:00 am-9:00 am, [Zoom](#) (password: pedsgr)

05/14 |OB /GYN Grand Rounds *Workplace Violence: It's Not Part of the Job*- Joseph R. Wax MD- 7:30 am-8:30 am, [Zoom](#)

05/19 |Commencement - 3:00 pm, Ira Allen Chapel ([See more information here](#))

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*Beneath Our Skin*, a new multimedia storytelling and art exhibit produced by Clemmons Family Farm and on

Want to keep up to date on Gender Equity events and initiatives? Join the



health professions educators with the tools they need to train the next generation of health providers to identify, treat, and prevent climate-related health issues.

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## AAMC webinar on helping students navigate critical junctures of medical education

The AAMC will host a webinar on May 22 from 2 - 3 p.m. ET, Navigating Critical Junctures: Professional Opportunities and Experiences. The webinar will focus on exploring challenges and innovations associated with career exploration for students. This interactive webinar aims to foster collaboration between student affairs and educational affairs, inspire innovation, and strengthen the support systems for our incoming medical students. The session is a part of a year -





Jewish genetic diseases like Tay - Sachs disease (TSD) are called Jewish because they are found more frequently in the Ashkenaz Jewish population than in other populations. But the big question that is always asked about Jewish genetic disease is: "Why the Jews?"