

PROCLAMATION

From the Office of the Mayor of the City of Dayton, Ohio

WHEREAS, More than 8 million people in the US are living with chronic wounds. Lack of awareness of advanced wound care and the benefits of hyperbaric oxygen therapy leaves many people without access to life-changing care; and, Hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT) is a proven treatment option for wounds, infections, or injuries that have not responded to standard treatment. There are currently fifteen indications for HBOT recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) and other third-party payors;, Hyperbaric oxygen therapy is most commonly used for the treatment of diabetic ulcers of lower extremities, radiation injury to bone or tissue, compromised grafts and flaps, and chronic refractory osteomyelitis; and,

WHEREAS, Cancer is the second leading cause of death in the United States. Of the 18 million people diagnosed with cancer in the US, about half of them have received radiation therapy. Many patients who undergo radiation therapy discover a hidden complication that may not come to light until years after they complete treatments. Radiation therapy can restrict oxygen in the body's healthy tissue which is needed for the tissue to thrive. If there is a break in the integrity of the tissue, infection, and non-healing wounds can occur. About 15 percent of patients who undergo radiation therapy may develop late radiation tissue injury.

WHEREAS, Hyperbaric oxygen therapy (HBOT) has emerged as a treatment option for patients who suffer from late radiation tissue injury. HBOT helps patients by stimulating the growth of new blood vessels following radiation-induced damage. Over 37 million people in the US have diabetes, and 25 percent of them will develop a foot ulcer, possibly leading to amputation. Hyperbaric oxygen therapy provides necessary oxygenation which is critical in preventing amputation. Hyperbaric Awareness USA and the Hyperbaric Aware Campaign aim to spread local, state, and national awareness of available treatment options for people suffering from radiation injury, chronic wounds, and diabetes, thus prolonging lives, avoiding amputations, and reducing the cost of care and improving quality of life.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeffrey J. Mims, Jr., Mayor of the City of Dayton, Ohio, do hereby proclaim May 19-25, 2024 as:

Hyperbaric Awareness Week

in Dayton.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Dayton to be affixed this 24th day of September 2009.

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