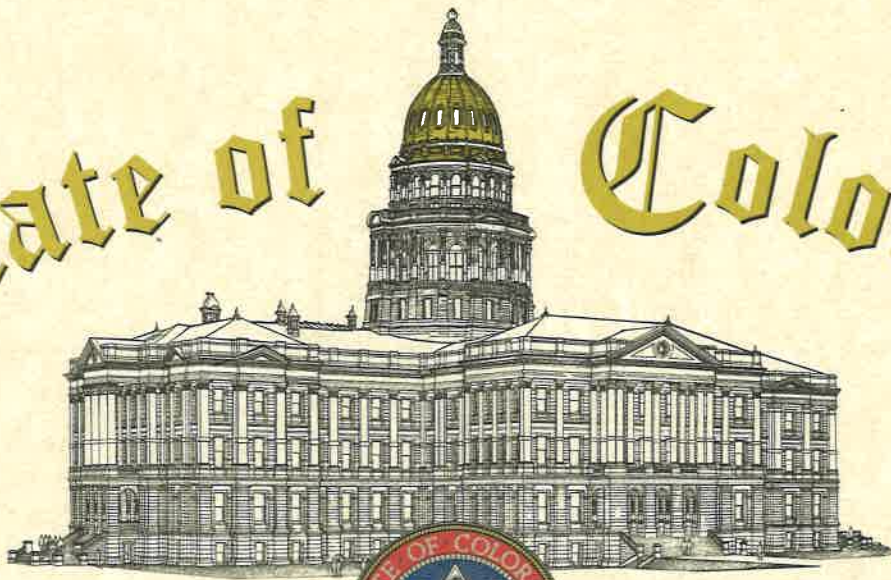


State of Colorado



Proclamation

WHEREAS, Central Service Technicians are responsible for processing surgical instruments, supplies and equipment; and

WHEREAS, serving in settings ranging from hospitals to ambulatory surgical centers, Central Service Technicians provide support to patient care services; and

WHEREAS, Central Service Department tasks include decontaminating, cleaning, processing, assembling, sterilizing, storing; and distributing the medical devices and supplies needed for patient care; and

WHEREAS, the Central Service Department of a healthcare facility is the heart of all activity surrounding instruments, supplies and equipment required for operating rooms, Endoscopy suites, ICU, birth centers and other patient care areas; and

WHEREAS, Central Service Technicians play a most important role in patient care arenas, and are responsible for first-line processes to prevent patient infections; and

WHEREAS, Sterile Processing Week recognizes the contribution Central Service Technicians make to patient safety and the opportunities and challenges facing the profession;

THEREFORE, I, Jared Polis, Governor of the State of Colorado, do hereby proclaim the period between October 11 and October 17, 2020 as

STERILE PROCESSING WEEK

in the State of Colorado.

GIVEN under my hand and the Executive Seal of the State of Colorado, this eleventh day of October, 2020

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jared Polis".

*Jared Polis
Governor*

