

DEPARTMENT SPOTLIGHT:

June 1—June 5

HOUSEKEEPING

Let's take some time this week to recognize and appreciate our Housekeeping Team! Housekeeping plays a critical role in the healthcare setting — our Housekeepers are specially trained in environmental cleaning and best practices, as well as infection control. Without a solid Housekeeping crew, our staff and patients would be at serious risk for contracting and spreading illnesses.

Housekeeping is an extremely physical job. This team of both men and women are on their feet for their whole shift — not to mention all the heavy lifting, pushing, and pulling that goes with it. During COVID-19, Housekeepers have been extra busy — with additional work to perform terminal cleans after isolated patients have been discharged — this can even happen after hours, to ensure the Hospital has enough beds readily available. Members of our Housekeeping Department have also been dispatched to clean and maintain the COVID-19 Assessment Centre and will be providing special training to staff at the Emergency Isolation Centre. Their knowledge of infection control best practices is invaluable! Red Lake Hospital employs two full-time Housekeepers and several part-time and casual staff. We are so grateful to have you guys! Thanks for all you do.

