

## Housekeeping in six general reference hospitals in Lubumbashi 2022

**Introduction:** The objective of the study was to make an inventory of the conditions of housekeeping within these health structures.

**Methods:** This is a cross-sectional descriptive study, conducted in 6 referral general hospitals (HGR) in Lubumbashi: Sendwe, Katuba, Kampemba, Kenya, Kamalondo and Mumbunda on a sample of 266 cleaners. Two techniques were used to collect the data: observation using an observation guide and interview using a self-administered questionnaire based on the hospital environment and the interview. Household.

**Results:** The average age of respondents was  $39.13 \pm 4.8$  years. Women were in the majority (77%). 77.3% of respondents had primary education. Half of them, or 50%, had a seniority of more than 5 years. Over 83.6% had not received training in housekeeping. (72.7%) recognized that there is no hospital hygiene service. Bins and ordinary brooms were the materials available. The maintenance of the walls was done once a week (86.4%). The surface of the floor was maintained very regularly (95.5%), unlike the ceiling which had never been maintained for over 5 years. Difficulties related to housekeeping were insufficient housekeeping materials and lack of motivation. A significant association was observed between the lack of lack of training and poor interview technique ( $p < 0.005$ ) and the lack of equipment and inputs and poor interview technique ( $p < 0.001$ ).

**Conclusion:** These hospitals are in poor housekeeping conditions, hence the need for training and the availability of inputs and equipment.

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