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Linen King/NW Arkansas Is Re-accredited After Passing HLAC Inspection of Its Healthcare Textile Processing Cycle

PLAINFIELD, IL - July 10, 2017 - The Healthcare Laundry Accreditation Council (HLAC) has re-accredited the Linen King operating plant in Springdale, AR. The plant is one of five locations for Tulsa-OK-based Linen King, which processes more than 50 million pounds of textile products annually for hospitals medical and hospitality facilities in Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Oklahoma and Tennessee.

HLAC is an independent, nonprofit organization that inspects and accredits laundries that process reusable textiles for hospitals, nursing homes and other healthcare facilities - based on the highest, professionally recognized standards for patient safety and infection prevention.

The Linen King/Springdale facility, which services Northwest Arkansas, is accredited until 2020, having successfully passed a voluntary inspection relating to its complete textile processing cycle.

"The HLAC designation provides our customers the peace of mind that comes from knowing their laundry services partner is meeting or exceeding the highest standards as established by an independent, healthcare-specific accrediting agency," said Leonard McCullough, CEO of Linen King. "As you can imagine, cleanliness, safety and best practices are paramount in our industry, and healthcare systems place a huge emphasis on this type of accreditation."

An independent contractor - trained on HLAC standards - conducts inspections for accreditation. The Linen King/Springdale inspection included a rigorous review of its complete textile processing cycle: from handling and transporting soiled healthcare textiles, to in-plant processing and delivery back to the customer - more than 600 standards have to be met to receive HLAC accreditation.

HLAC Accreditation Standards have been developed based on federal regulations and guidelines as well as best industry practices. The standards are established as the minimum acceptable practice for the preparation of hygienically clean, reusable healthcare textiles for patient care, implemented and executed by accredited laundry facilities processing reusable healthcare textiles.

HLAC's standards are nationally recognized. The Association for the Healthcare Environment (AHE) has awarded its AHE Seal of Review and Recognition™ to the HLAC Accreditation Standards document.

"Linen King subscribes to the motto, 'Do one thing and do it well,'" noted John Scherberger, HLAC board president. "In their case, this means to focus exclusively on the highest laundry standards available, whether it's to serve their healthcare or their hospitality customers. HLAC accreditation helps them to meet those standards."

About HLAC

The Healthcare Laundry Accreditation Council (HLAC) is a nonprofit organization formed for the purpose of inspecting and accrediting laundries processing healthcare textiles for hospitals, nursing homes and other healthcare facilities. For more information, www.hlacnet.org, on Twitter [@NewsHlac](https://twitter.com/NewsHlac).

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