

HEALTHCARE

Floor Collection: Tiles, Rolls

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South Shore Hospital

South Weymouth and Hingham, Massachusetts

“We use Chilewich flooring in a variety of high-traffic areas, and it maintains better than carpet.”

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Interior Designer and Project Manager
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A leading regional provider of acute, outpatient, home health, and hospice care established in 1922, South Shore Hospital is the largest independently operated hospital in Eastern Massachusetts. This premier healthcare facility selected Chilewich flooring for a broad range of applications, including in units dedicated to outpatient laboratory services, radiology, and rehabilitation as well as in meeting spaces and conference rooms throughout the hospital.

After observing the extraordinary durability and easy maintenance of Chilewich textiles in high-traffic areas, the hospital's in-house and external design teams specified the flooring for several additional projects, including the new Center for Orthopedics, Spine, and Sports Medicine (the only facility of its kind in Southeastern Massachusetts) and the newly constructed Richard and Joann Aubut Critical Care Unit, part of a \$62 million construction project.



Extraordinary durability.

"Chilewich is tough stuff. I use any and all of my machines on it, and it takes all of the abuse I throw at it! You'd never know by looking that it's been here for years."

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Strengthened by Microban, Chilewich flooring resists stain- and odor-causing microbial growth. The innovative BioFelt backing system features an integrated moisture barrier to prevent spill absorption and inhibit growth of mold and mildew.



Easy maintenance.

"Chilewich flooring is very easy to maintain. There hasn't been anything that's stuck to it that we weren't able to clean. We use wet mops, but if it's something beyond that, any machine we use on it will take it off."

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While engineered to be bleach-cleanable, routine vacuuming keeps Chilewich flooring products in peak condition, and South Shore follows this approach to upkeep. They can be spot cleaned, vacuumed to remove dirt/dust, and extraction cleaned.



Enduring aesthetics.

"With our New England winters, we have people tracking in salt for a good part of the year, but once we've run the auto scrubber, it all goes away."

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Designed with both beauty and function in mind, Chilewich textiles retain their distinctive colors and rich textures over many years of use. "We don't see a wear pattern or change of coloring, even where the traffic is heaviest," notes Carvalho.

It has proved especially valuable in renovation projects. According to Nisbet, "The woven texture helped to hide imperfections of the floor underneath."



Noise reduction.

"Chilewich has quickly become our gold standard in waiting rooms, and the textural makeup provides real acoustical value—unlike LVT, which doesn't have an embossed layer. This is what led us to put in conference rooms as well."

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The soft, woven textural surfaces of Chilewich textiles enhance acoustics by controlling echo and reducing reverberation. "We were amazed by the difference it made," says Nisbet. "It's not a flat surface, so sound doesn't bounce off it as readily."