

Habtemikael Berhane

East Adams Rural Hospital and District Clinics would like to introduce Habtemikael Berhane, our highlighted employee this week.

Habte Berhane is a Medical Technologist in East Adams Rural Hospital's laboratory. Some of his responsibilities include blood draws and processing and analyzing laboratory tests.

Habte was born in Eritrea, Africa where he also grew up. He was a refugee for five years in Sudan before moving to Canada, where he was sponsored and became a Canadian citizen. He then moved to Ritzville in May of 1999 when he started working at East Adams Rural Hospital.

Habte is the oldest of six children, two brothers and three sisters. He has one daughter, who currently lives in Sudan.

One of Habte's goals is to receive his United States Citizenship, which he has been working very hard to get. After he receives his U.S. Citizenship, he would like to continue his education and devote his time to environmental protection work. He went into healthcare because he always wanted to go into medicine. The best part of his job is his interaction with the patients and the community; he finds this extremely rewarding.

Outside of work, Habte enjoys being outdoors, reading, and walking/running (A LOT). His greatest accomplishment is going back to school to get his degree and being able to do what he is doing now given his circumstances after high school.

Habte is very thankful for the community and facility and glad to be here.

