Reducing Risks of Injuries to Laundry Workers

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Campbell River Hospital	St. Paul's Hospital
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RECOMMENDATIONS

- Review policies and procedures.
- Place the bin slightly to the side rather than in front of the door, to reduce excessive bending, twisting and reaching.
- When folding laundry, work on a table that is a few inches lower than elbow height, to reduce awkward shoulder postures.
- Take regular micro-pause stretch breaks to reduce muscle fatigue.
- A spring-loaded cart is an intervention example that would reduce awkward bending at the waist.





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