Infection Prevention Best Practices Laundry Services

Separation of Space





The clean linen area should be separate from the soiled linen area, for example:

- Separate rooms
- Space divider
- Large distance of space

Cleaning and Disinfection



Regularly clean and disinfect the following:

- Sorting tables
- Shelves and storage units
- Linen carts
- High touch surfaces

Soiled Linen



- Bag soiled linen prior to removal from the resident room
- Place in designated carts or bins
- Store in a holding area for on-site processing or pick up
- Linen from isolation rooms should be considered contaminated

Clean Versus Dirty Carts





Separate carts should be used for transporting clean and dirty linen. If unable to do so, soiled carts should be cleaned and disinfected before using for clean linen

Fabric Inspection



- Use a criterion to remove damaged or stained fabrics from inventory
- Inspect fabrics for stains and damage after processing (e.g., holes and tears)



