

Ergonomic Assessments, cont'd

• Weigall et all, 2005

-Using the Rapid Upper Limb Assessment (RULA) method, a study of cleaners (non-hotel) found:

1. vacuuming scores of 5.6

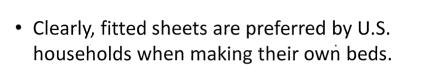
Conclusion: Scores of 5 to 6 require changes soon.

2. Toilet cleaning scores of 6.6

Conclusion: Scores of 7 require changes immediately.

## **Fitted Sheets**

- In a survey by UNITE HERE Local 11 of 26 Los Angelesarea hotels with 200+ rooms, 9 provided fitted sheets to its housekeepers. These 9 hotel properties (from 6 different hotel companies) demonstrate that 1/3 of hotels in the LA area use fitted sheets from a variety of hotel companies.
- According to the Chicago Industrial Dryer Corp. that sells equipment to the hotel industry that dries, presses and folds fitted sheets (private communication, 3/11/13), 50-60% of all Marriott hotels use fitted sheets, e.g. Downtown, JW, Courtyard brands.



- And when marketing to such households, fitted sheets are the choice as demonstrated by Hyatt's Make the Grand Bed website.
- But why would employers *not* give the women who make beds all day for a living, the tool that the average U.S. household prefers?