

Figure 6 Posterior capsule stretch: (a) start position and (b) end position

Posterior capsule stretch

Purpose:

This is an important exercise to improve posture so that your shoulder(s) is not rounded forward.

Starting position:

 $_$ Lying on your side with arm at shoulder height, elbow bent 90° and arm turned in.

Exercise:

- _ Hold your arm turned in and slowly roll your chest/torso forward.
- _ A stretch should be felt in the back of the shoulder not the front (Fig. 6).
- _ Slowly rock over your shoulder repeatedly.

Fine tuning:

_ If it is hard to isolate the stretch to the back of the shoulder try to lower your arm towards your side, then turn it in more and roll farther forward over it.