



Financial Abuse

- Misuse of a Power of Attorney for Property
- Unexplained transactions, or unauthorized withdrawal of funds
- Taking property without permission
- Suspicious or forged signatures on cheques or other documents
- Standard of living not in keeping with person's income or assets
- Lack of access to banking information
- Moving into the home of an older person without their consent and failing to contribute to household costs



Neglect

- Dehydration, malnourishment or weight loss
- Poorly maintained living environment
- Lack of hygiene
- Abandonment or confinement of senior
- Withholding care
- Denying access to necessary health services or medical attention/treatment



Physical Abuse

- Bruising appears in unusual areas such as chest, abdomen, face, or extremities
- Inadequate or inappropriate use of medication
- Unexplained injuries such as broken bones, bruises, cuts
- Injuries for which explanation does not fit evidence
- Restraints or confinement
- Unusual patterns of injuries



Psychological Abuse

- Emotional distress, agitation, or confusion
- Signs of depression, fear, anxiety, or withdrawal
- Fearful or nervous around caregiver or other persons
- Isolated from family members or friends
- Older adult or pets are threatened harm
- Removal of decision making



Sexual Abuse

- Non-consensual sexual contact of any kind
- Coerced nudity
- Sending or receiving of sexually explicit photos
- Inappropriate touching or sexual comments
- Making sexual remarks and/or suggestions to another person
- Joking of sexual nature

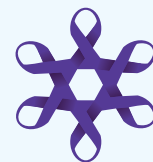
It is vital that everyone become informed and understand that we all have a role to play to prevent elder abuse and neglect.

*If you or someone you know is in immediate danger, call **911**.*

Support, Information and Referral for Older Adults in Ontario

Seniors Safety Line
1-866-299-1011

A safe, confidential place to talk to someone about situations where an older adult feels they are being abused or mistreated, or to receive information about elder abuse services in their local areas. Available 24/7 in over 200 languages.



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*For more information
and resources:*

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