

Fight Fraud

Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario

Recognize, Reject and Report



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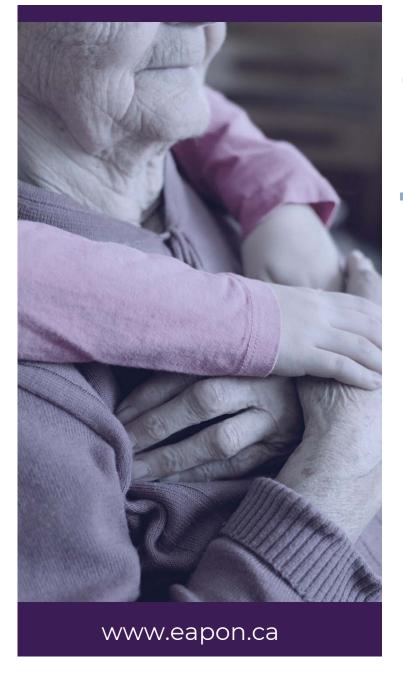
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If someone wishes to discuss specific circumstances, we invite you to contact EAPO following this webinar to arrange for a confidential conversation so that we may further assist you.



Elder Abuse Prevention Ontario (EAPO)

Mission and Goals

EAPO envisions an Ontario where ALL seniors are free from abuse, have a strong voice, feel safe and respected.

Achieving our mission requires raising awareness, delivering education and training, working collaboratively with likeminded organizations and assisting with service coordination and advocacy.

Ontario's Strategy to Combat Elder Abuse

1

Public Education and Awareness

A Province-wide, multi-media public education campaign to promote awareness about elder abuse and provide information on how to access services.

2

Training for Front-Line Staff

Specialized training to staff from various sectors, who work directly with seniors, to enhance their knowledge and skills to recognize and respond to elder abuse.

3

Co-ordination of Community Services

To strengthen communities across the province by building partnerships, promoting information sharing and supporting their efforts to combat elder abuse.



3 Pillars of the Strategy



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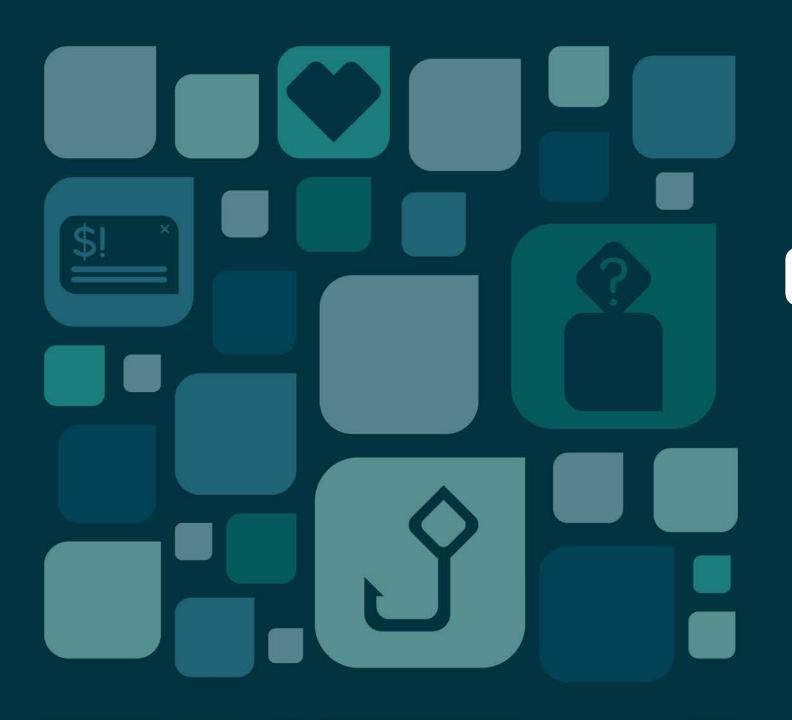
Auxiliary A/Inspector, Provincial Auxiliary Program – Conferences and Special Projects Ontario Provincial Police - Auxiliary

Auxiliary Acting Inspector Steven Guiho has been with the OPP Auxiliary Program for over 17 years working in a variety of positions. He is currently responsible for Provincial Auxiliary Conferences and Special Projects.

Today, he is here to deliver the presentation called "*Fight Fraud*", which was developed by the OPP Community Safety Services section as well as the Serious Fraud Office.

WEBINAR

GUEST SPEAKER





FRAUD CAN HAPPEN TO ANYONE

- Don't be ashamed if you have become a victim
- Being a victim of a fraud is stressful reach out for help



STOP, CHALLENGE, PROTECT

Stop – take a moment and think

Challenge – reject, refuse or ignore

Protect – contact authorities









ROMANCE FRAUD

HOW IT WORKS:

- Offenders use social media/dating sites create fake profiles.
- They develop relationships with victims
- Once they have gained your trust they will ask you to send money



RED FLAGS

- Profile too good to be true
- Individual professes love quickly and avoids meeting in person
- Claims to live close but working overseas
- Wants private/different mode of communication
- Tries to isolate you from others



TIPS

- Never send intimate photos/videos of yourself
- Ask specific questions look for inconsistencies
- Never send/accept money
- Be suspicious if they always cancel plans to meet in person

EMERGENCY FRAUD

HOW IT WORKS:

- Offenders call pretend to be your loved one in an emergency situation
- Another offender may claim to be police/lawyer representing your loved one.
- They will ask you to send money to help.



RED FLAGS

- Request payment by gift card, money transfer or Bitcoin
- Pressure to send payment by specific time
- Caller makes you feel rushed
- They ask you to keep this secret



TIPS

- Slow things down verify the story
- Ask questions only your loved one would know
- Resist sharing identifying details
- Confirm whereabouts of family member or friend
- Never provide any personal/financial information over phone



CRA FRAUD

HOW IT WORKS:

- Offender calls claiming to be CRA employee
- Caller claims you have unpaid balances, owe back taxes or have a compromised social insurance number.
- Requests your personal information threatens arrest if you don't act immediately.



RED FLAGS

- Caller uses threatening or aggressive language
- Threatens to arrest or deport you
- Pressures you to make payment with a prepaid card, gift card or cryptocurrency such as Bitcoin



TIPS

- Never press '1' to speak to an agent
- CRA never send links and ask for personal/financial information
- Never click on links in unsolicited communication
- Always locate legitimate CRA contact information on your personal documents



BANK INVESTIGATOR FRAUD

HOW IT WORKS:

- Offender calls impersonating a bank official
- Asks for help with bank investigation employee stealing money.
- They ask you to make a withdrawal from your account to help them
- You meet offender and deliver the cash.



RED FLAGS

- Financial institutions never ask for assistance with internal investigations
- Calls made early morning may catch you off guard
- Offender asks for remote access to your device
- Secrecy you are told not to discuss with financial institution



TIPS

- Never provide personal information over the phone if you did not initiate the call
- Never give remote access to your device to callers who have called you

SPOOFING

HOW IT WORKS:

- Offender manipulates call display tricks you into answering phone based on the number/name appearing.
- They may 'spoof' the number making it appear as a local call, a specific organization or your own number.



DELAYED DISCONNECT

HOW IT WORKS:

- Offender asks you to end your current call and <u>immediately</u> call number on back of your card or another number they provide you.
- The original call <u>never</u> completely disconnects
- You end up speaking with the original caller again.



FINAL TIPS

- Hang up on unknown incoming calls or recorded messages
- Keep your personal information private
- If something seems suspicious, there is likely a good reason
- Don't click on links in unsolicited emails, texts or on social media



REPORTING

Gather all information and report incident to:

- Your local police
- The Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre
- The financial institution or payment provider used to send money
- If fraud occurred online report to the website (i.e. dating website)



REPORTING

It is estimated fewer than 5% of fraud is reported

CANADIAN ANTI-FRAUD CENTRE

Report online through the Fraud Reporting Centre: antifraudcentre.ca

Report by phone: 1-888-495-8501







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THANK YOU



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QUESTIONS



Additional Resources

Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre

If you suspect or are experiencing a fraud/scam, report it.

1-888-495-8501

Competition Bureau

File a complaint about a false or misleading advertising

1-800-348-5358

Crime Stoppers

Report crimes anonymously.

1-800-222-TIPS (8477)

Better Business Bureau

www.bbb.org/article/scams/8767-bbb-tips-10-steps-to-avoid-scams

Canada Revenue Agency

www.canada.ca/en/revenueagency/corporate/security.html

Consumer Protection Ontario

www.ontario.ca/page/consumer-protection-ontario

Government of Canada

www.canada.ca/en/revenueagency/campaigns/fraud-scams.html

Additional Resources







Little Black Book of Scams

Seniors Guidebook to Safety and Security







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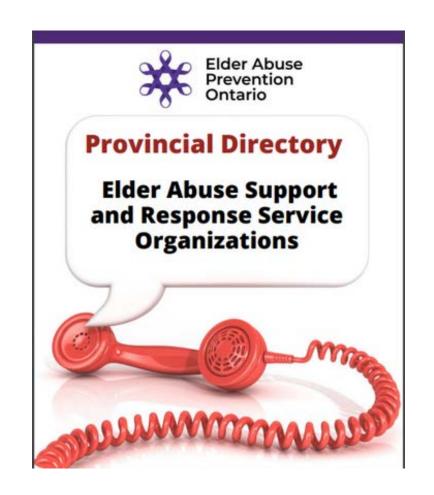
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RESOURCES

Take advantage of the tools available.



Social media channels



Information and Referral



Website and Zoom platforms



Tools and Resources



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Credit Report



Equifax and TransUnion

Request from each agency a copy of your credit report and then review it carefully to see if a scammer opened any accounts or incurred debt in your name. Also ask to put an alert on your credit report in case future scam attempts are made under your name.

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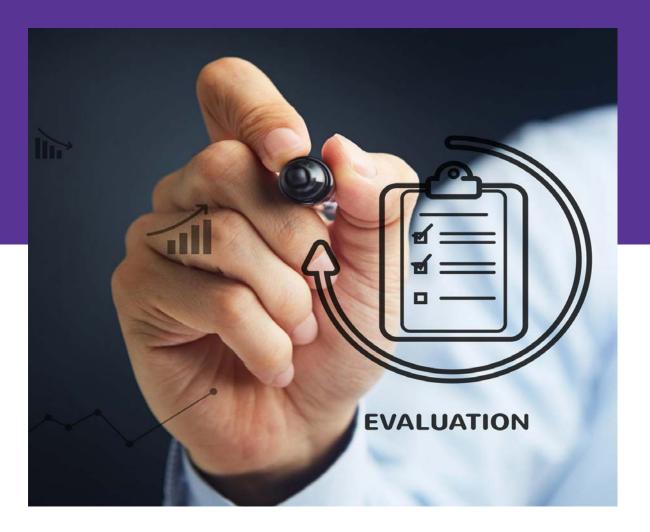
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