



Responding to Elder Abuse in Ohio



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How Can I Report Suspicion of Elder Abuse in Ohio?

Any concerned citizen should report suspected situations of elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation to their **County Departments of Job and Family Services.**

When placing a report to APS, reporters will be **asked to provide** (see p. 6 for details) contact information for the alleged victim, alleged perpetrator, collaterals, a description of the situation, and contact information for the reporter, although anonymous reporting is permitted. **Please report even if you do not know all the answers or have proof of abuse.**



State by State Services Locator

Find elder abuse services in your state.

Submit a Complaint through the Sentinel Database



The Sentinel Database is a voluntary reporting system that helps the federal government detect patterns of consumer financial fraud throughout the United States.

Build Strong Support for Older Americans by Learning More about **Elder Abuse**

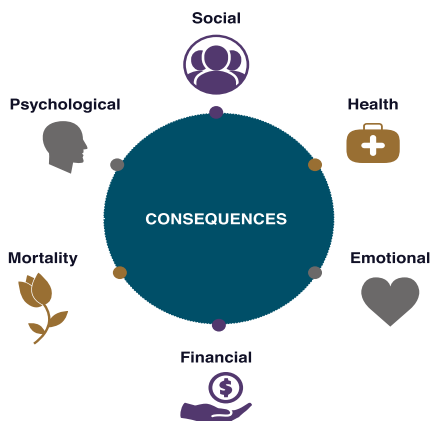
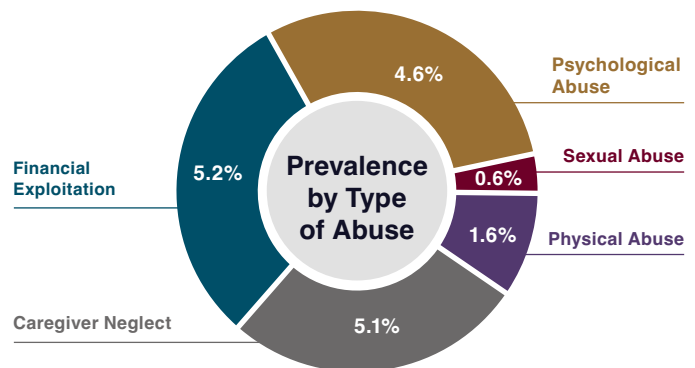


Elder Abuse

Is an intentional act or failure to act by a caregiver or another person in a relationship involving an expectation of trust that causes or creates a risk of harm to an older adult. It is a term under which five types of abuse are reflected.

Prevalence of Elder Abuse

At least 10% of adults age 60 and older will experience some form of elder abuse in a given year, with some older adults simultaneously experiencing more than one type of abuse.



The Consequences of Elder Abuse

The trauma of elder abuse may result in health issues like **deterioration in health**, **hospitalization** and **increased mortality**, clinical issues like **depression** and **suicide**, social issues like **disrupted relationships**, and **financial loss**, all leading to **diminished independence** and **quality of life**.

Explore the resources and information on elder abuse at www.elderjustice.gov

Find federal and state resources as well as community outreach materials in the **Rural and Tribal Elder Justice Resource Guide**

Learn about financial scams at the **Federal Trade Commission (FTC) - Scams**

Discover facts about elder abuse at the **National Center on Elder Abuse**

Locate training options at the **USC Training Resources on Elder Abuse**

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