

GET INVOLVED, GET SAFE

Prevent Elder Abuse



Elder abuse can happen to anyone and is more common than you think. It happens when an older adult is harmed on purpose or is neglected. The abuser can be a family member, friend, or caregiver. Abusers can also be strangers who get in touch with older adults by phone, email, mail, social media, or the internet.

**Elder abuse
can harm your
body, mind,
relationships,
or finances**

PLAN AHEAD

Plan for the future so you have control over your life and your money through a safety plan, a health care power of attorney, a financial power of attorney, and a will.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Know your rights and what services are in your community. Find your local Area Agency on Aging (AAA).

TALK TO FRIENDS & FAMILY

If you are concerned about your safety or you feel you're being abused, talk to someone you trust.

STAY CONNECTED

Join in community events and activities with people you trust.

SAY NO

You have the right to tell people "No" when you're uncomfortable with what they are doing or saying. If "no" is not enough, find help on the next page.



Take Action

REPORT ABUSE

If this is urgent,
call **9-1-1**



To report elder abuse, find your local adult protective services by calling Eldercare Locator
1-800-677-1116

To report financial fraud, call National Elder Fraud Hotline
1-833-FRAUD-11

To report COVID-19 fraud, call National Center for Disaster Fraud Hotline
1-866-720-5721

Search for victim services, legal aid, shelters, and other state services on our **Neighborhood Resource Map**

FIND HELP

Eldercare Locator Helpline
1-800-677-1116



SAGE National LGBT Elder Hotline
1-877-360-5428 (open 24/7)

National Domestic Violence Hotline
1-800-799-7233

National Sexual Assault Hotline
1-800/656-4673



www.justice.gov/elderjustice/support/resources-neighborhood



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elderjustice.gov

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