

## ELDER ABUSE IN ALBERTA

### Elder Abuse

Elder abuse is any action or inaction by a person or others **which jeopardizes the health or well-being of a senior.**

Elder abuse can take several forms including **financial, emotional, physical, sexual or neglect** and often more than one type of abuse occurs at the same time. The two most frequently identified and reported types of elder abuse in Canada are financial and emotional.

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### Financial Abuse

Financial abuse occurs when **someone misuses your money, financial resources or property** without your full consent, or without your understanding.

Financial abuse is one of the **most frequently reported types of abuse** in Alberta and **can happen to anyone.** Individuals who are alone, socially isolated, very old or frail, or experiencing emotional challenges may be at greater risk, although individuals who are in good health may also experience financial abuse.

Sometimes a person doesn't realize that financial abuse is happening to them.

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### Abuse and Neglect of Seniors

The **intentional or unintentional neglect** of seniors is **the failure to adequately provide for their basic needs.**

Possible indicators include inappropriate or dirty clothing, poor hygiene, dehydration, unsafe living conditions, lack of social contact, irregular medical appointments, and lack of, or poor condition, of dentures, glasses or hearing aids.

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