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Support Services for Older Adults

Elder Abuse Prevention Services

What is elder abuse?

Elder abuse is any action or inaction by a person in a relationship of trust which jeopardizes the health or well-being of an older person.

What types of services are available?

- Counselling provided by Registered Social Workers regarding the abuse and options available
- Referral to appropriate community resources
- Consultation and referral for family members
- Support Groups
- Assistance accessing crisis accommodations and legal services, including protection orders
- Information and education



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For more information please call
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Toll Free: **1.888.333.3121**
and ask for Intake

email: intake@aosupportservices.ca
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All calls are strictly confidential.

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Who is eligible for service?

Older Manitobans 55 years and older experiencing physical, sexual, financial, emotional / psychological abuse or neglect by family members, friends or others in a position of trust. Concerned family and friends are also encouraged to call the agency for information and assistance.

Forms of elder abuse

- Physical Abuse
- Sexual Abuse
- Emotional/ Psychological Abuse
- Financial Abuse
- Neglect

Risk factors

- As with other forms of abuse; no one predictor can determine one's risk
- Anyone the older adult trusts can act abusively towards them
- Research has shown abuse towards older adults is most often done by family members

How many are affected by elder abuse in Manitoba?

- 4-10% of older adults (50+) experience one or more forms of abuse or neglect at some point in later years
- 6,000-16,000 older Manitobans
- Only one in five cases comes to the attention of those who can help



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