

Elder Abuse Quick Bytes: PEOPLE WITH DEMENTIA

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From the National Center on Elder Abuse

To commemorate National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month in November, we've gathered educational tidbits related to identifying and addressing mistreatment of people with dementia, as well as related resources.

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Research Brief: How at Risk for Abuse Are People with Dementia?



Elders with dementia are thought to be at greater risk of abuse and neglect than those of the general elderly population. The following studies looked directly at several questions related to how often people with dementia are abused by their caregivers and what, if any, variables are associated with mistreatment.

http://www.ncea.acl.gov/Resources/Publication/docs/NCEA_Dementia_ResearchBrief_2013.pdf

“When the Going Gets Tough: Coping for Caregivers” Webinar

Presented by The Rosalynn Carter Institute for Caregiving in partnership with the National Center on Elder Abuse

Caregiver-friendly resources that help minimize the risk of abuse and neglect in caregiving situations.

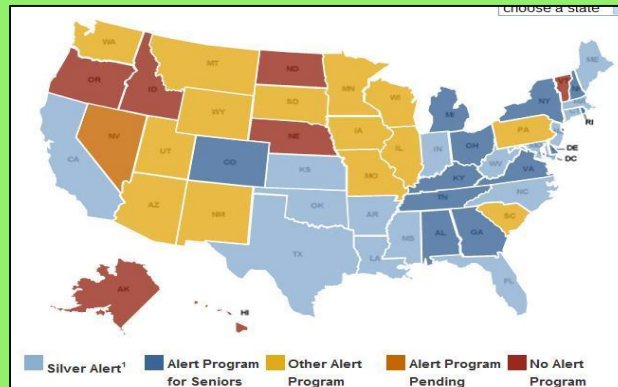
http://www.rosalynncarter.org/elder_abuse/

Alzheimer’s Disease Supportive Services Program Webinar Series

Includes Webinar for Legal Professionals on Elder Abuse, Neglect and Exploitation and Clients with Dementia

http://aoa.gov/AoARoot/AoA_Programs/HPW/Alz_Grants/index.aspx

International Association of Chiefs of Police's Alzheimer's Initiatives



Helping first responders improve their knowledge and skills with informational materials and a state-by-state guide to Missing Senior/Adult Public Alert Systems
<http://shar.es/IavJn>

Guides for Lay Fiduciaries—Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

Cognitive changes prior to or related to dementia may prompt family members and friends to become financial decision-makers for a loved one. CFPB's Older Americans Program has created guides to help inform and prepare lay fiduciaries.

The guides are available to download on the CFPB website at
www.consumerfinance.gov/managing-someone-elses-money

You can also order free print copies at

<http://publications.usa.gov/USAPubs.php?NavCode=K&searchText=CFPB>

Also free bulk orders at <http://promotions.usa.gov/cfpbpubs.html>

Help for Individuals and Families – Alzheimer's Association

Connect with local offices, access the 24-hour Helpline, explore the Caregiver Center and Community Resource Finder

<http://www.alz.org/we-can-help-we-can-help.asp>

Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregiver Center—Abuse Section

<http://www.alz.org/care/alzheimers-dementia-elder-abuse.asp>

Research Translation – A Neuropsychological Test of Belief and Doubt: Damage to Ventromedial Prefrontal Cortex increases Credulity

The National Center on Elder Abuse created a one-page research translation on this and other studies, highlighting the key points for readers. This study discusses why some older adults who have suffered damage to a central area of their brain may be more vulnerable to false advertising and scams.

Follow the link below and click on the section titled "Research Briefs and Research Translations on Adult Abuse". The summary will be found under "Research Translations".

http://www.centeronelderabuse.org/NCEA_at_UCI.asp

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