

Recognize the Signs of Abuse in Later Life

Abuse in later life is an intentional act or failure to act that causes harm to an older adult, including financial exploitation, neglect, and physical or sexual violence.

What are signs of abuse in later life?

Financial Signs



Fraudulent signatures on financial documents



Unusual or sudden changes in spending patterns



Unpaid bills

Physical Signs



Dehydration or unusual



Missing daily living aids weight loss (glasses, walker)



Unexplained injuries, bruises, cuts. sores



Torn, stained, bloody underclothing



Unattended medical needs



Unexplained sexually transmitted diseases

Emotional & Behavioral Signs



Increased fear or anxiety



Isolation from friends or family



Unusual changes in behavior or sleep



Withdrawal from normal activities



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