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Justice Coalition for **ALL**  
(Abuse in Later Life)

## 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  
weight loss



Missing daily  
living aids  
(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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