

The Care Map for Professionals: Community Action Response to Elder Abuse

The Weinberg Center for Elder Justice created the Community Action Response to Elder Abuse "CARE" Map to help individuals and professionals safety plan. Professionals working with older adults experiencing abuse can use this form to guide safety planning conversations.

MEDICAL ATTENTION: Are there injuries? Is there a healthcare proxy?

Primary care physician: _____

Hospital: _____

Mental or behavioral health provider: _____

Home health aide/agency: _____

Check physical needs: eyeglasses, hearing aids, dentures, walking device, prescriptions, water, etc.

FIND SAFE SHELTER: Is the older adult safe at home?

Hotel: _____

Friends/Family: _____

Shelter: _____

Pet shelter: _____

Remind the older adult to bring: photo ID, Social Security card, birth certificate, insurance card, bank cards & naturalization papers

LEGAL RESOURCES: What is the desired outcome? Does the older adult have capacity? Who is the power of attorney?

911/Local precinct: _____

Family Court/Orders of Protection: _____

Housing Court/Evictions or Rental arrears: _____

Criminal Court/ District Attorney's Office: _____

Supreme Court/Guardianship: _____

Office of Victims Services/Restitution: _____

Civil Attorney/Mediation: _____

COMMUNITY BASED RESOURCES: Who else can help the older adult?

Adult Protective Services (APS): _____

Department for the Aging: _____

Family Justice Center (FJC): _____

Meals on Wheels: _____

Senior center: _____

Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT): _____

Faith based support: _____

Other: _____

SECURE BENEFITS AND ENTITLEMENTS

Social Security and Disability: _____

Medicaid: _____

Pension: _____

Bill payment services: _____

Housing subsidies: _____

STOP FINANCIAL ABUSE

- Freeze bank accounts
- Change address with the US Postal Service
- Check credit report – 1 free per year (877-322-8228)
- Report scams to the Federal Trade Commission (877-382-4357) and to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (855-411-2372)

ADVANCE PLANNING

Healthcare proxy: _____

Power of attorney: _____

Estate planning: _____

Attorney name: _____

NEXT STEPS: Prevent abuse in the future.

- Develop a safety plan with the older adult
- Speak to friends, neighbors, security personnel, hairdressers and postal workers
- Speak to professionals from APS, Senior center staff, Meals on Wheels and court staff
- Provide resources for the person(s) who caused harm if desired

Notes: _____

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