

Learning Objectives

Module 1: What is Elder Abuse?

After completing this module, you will be able to:

- Define elder abuse.
- Identify seven types of elder abuse.
- Recognize signs of elder abuse.
- Describe the difference between caregiver neglect and self-neglect.
- Describe the difference between financial abuse and exploitation.
- Explain how more than one type of elder abuse can happen at the same time and give an example.

Module 2: Dementia and Elder Abuse

After completing this module, you will be able to:

- Understand some differences between normal aging, dementia, and Alzheimer's disease.
- · List four thinking skills affected by dementia.
- Identify how a caregiver's response to care situations can put an elder with dementia at risk for elder abuse.
- List three forms of resident-to-resident abuse.

Module 3: The CARES® Approach and Elder Abuse Prevention

After completing this module, you will be able to:

- List four care strategies that can help to prevent elder abuse.
- List the steps to take if you suspect elder abuse has occurred.
- List the steps of the CARES® Approach.
- Describe how the CARES® Approach can improve care interactions with people living with dementia.
- Understand how taking care of yourself can reduce your stress.
- Recognize how getting support can help prevent elder abuse.

Module 4: Community Resources

After completing this module, you will be able to:

- Describe why it is important to know about the available community resources that can help to prevent and respond to elder abuse.
- List three community and state resources that can help if you suspect elder abuse has occurred.
- List two national or federal resources that can provide useful information about elder abuse.