
Elder Abuse and Neglect

The Definition of Elder Abuse

Elder abuse is an umbrella term used to describe one or more of the following:

- Physical abuse is the willful infliction of physical pain or injury, such as slapping, bruising, or restraining.
- Sexual abuse is the infliction of non-consensual sexual contact of any kind.
- Emotional or psychological abuse is the infliction of mental or emotional anguish, such as humiliating, intimidating, or threatening.
- Financial or material exploitation is the improper act or process of an individual, using the resources of an older person, without his/her consent, for someone else's benefit.
- Neglect is the failure of a caretaker to provide goods or services necessary to avoid physical harm, mental anguish or mental illness, such as abandonment, denial of food or health related services.

Signs and Symptoms

The following are warning signs of elder abuse:

- Frequent arguments or tension between the caregiver and the elderly person
- Changes in personality or behavior in the elder
- Unexplained signs of injury such as bruises, welts, or scars
- Broken bones, sprains, or dislocations
- Threatening, belittling, or controlling caregiver behavior that you witness
- Unusual weight loss, malnutrition, dehydration
- Untreated physical problems, such as bed sore

About Us

"A First Name Basis" strives to be the leading provider of in-home care services in Louisiana. We spend a lot of time getting to know our clients and caregivers and educating them to know the signs and symptoms of elder abuse in order to protect the elderly population in the community. We offer our clients flexibility and options that may not be available with similar franchised companies. "A First Name Basis" also offers the Live Smart Guarantee© which is:

- We guarantee your satisfaction
 - We guarantee our team is professional, attentive and friendly
 - We guarantee a tailored plan to meet the client's needs
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If you have additional questions, or would like to find out about services available in your area, please contact 1.877.557.5525, or visit us online at www.afirstnamebasis.com.

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