

Resources on Domestic Violence in Later Life and Elder Abuse

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Books and Manuals

These print materials are available from the Resource Center.

The Abuse of Older People: A Training Manual for Detection and Prevention, Jack Pritchard. Bristol, Pennsylvania: Jessica Kingsley Publishers, 1995. This book provides a ready-made training package containing an abundance of carefully thought-out scenarios, simulation and role-play exercises which are ideal for multidisciplinary workshops. MR.P961t

Counseling for Empowerment, Ellen Hawley McWhirter. Alexandria, Virginia: American Counseling Association, 1994. This material provides a broad understanding the concept of empowerment and offers practical suggestions for counselors, psychologists, and social workers who wish to help their clients empower themselves. This material contains a chapter on counseling older adults. CO.M113c

Crime, Victimization, and Family Violence: Views of Michigan's Older Adults: Briefing Paper No. 95-08, Diane Levande. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University, 1996. This report is a series of graphs detailing the results of telephone survey questions on fear of assault, crime, and perceptions about treatment of offenders. BW.L655c

Current Controversies on Family Violence, Richard J. Gelles and Donileen R. Loseke. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications, 1993. This resource includes thoughtful discussions highlighting the most current controversies, research, and policy directions in the family violence issue. BW.G318c

Developing Services for Older Abused Women: A Guide for Domestic Abuse Programs, Bonnie Brandl. Madison, Wisconsin: Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence, 1997. This material is designed to assist domestic abuse programs in understanding older abused women. BW.B817d

Diagnostic and Treatment Guidelines on Elder Abuse and Neglect, Sara Aravanis. Chicago, Illinois: American Medical Association, 1992. This publication sensitizes clinicians to the fact that elder abuse and neglect occur commonly and that the problem is likely to be encountered in medical practice; presents what is known about the epidemiology, clinical manifestations, and history of elder mistreatment. ME.A663d

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Domestic Elder Abuse: Practical Tools for Providers of Women's Health Care, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Washington, D.C.: American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. This material is intended to provide information about the violence that is experienced by a growing segment of the patient population-the older female patient. BW.A512d

Domestic Violence and the Elderly: A Cross Training Curriculum in Elder Abuse and Domestic Violence, San Francisco Consortium for Elder Abuse Prevention San Francisco, California: 1998. This curriculum draws from the fields of aging, domestic violence, and elder abuse to give service providers a better understanding of the older battered woman and her service needs. BW.S195d

Domestic Violence: A Directory of Protocols for Health Care Providers, Children's Safety Network. Chicago, Illinois: American Medical Association, 1993. Helps health care providers identify, assess, treat, and refer suspected domestic violence survivors. While primarily focused on domestic violence, many of the items also include guidance on addressing child and elder abuse and peer violence. ME.A498d

Elder Abuse, Neglect and Family Violence: A Guide for Health Care Professionals, Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Madison, Wisconsin: State of Wisconsin, Department of Health and Human Services, 1999. Provides general information about elder abuse, a flow chart to respond to suspected abuse, and specific tips on what health care providers can do. It lists common signs and symptoms, answers commonly asked questions, and identifies interventions. ME.W811e

Elder Abuse: Questions and Answers-An Information Guide for Professionals and Concerned Citizens, Toshio Tartara. Washington, D.C.: National Aging Resource Center on Elder Abuse, 1992. This publication provides basic information in a question and answer format, including: the origins, causes and incidence of elder abuse on both the national and state levels; victim and perpetrator characteristics; and an explanation of the services available to victims, families and at-risk elders. MR.T216e

Family Violence Across the Lifespan: An Introduction, Ola Barnett. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications, 1997. This material gives history, skills, resources, story and anecdote in ways that force us to confront the tragic implications of family violence in reminding us how this blight touches all families and all age groups. The book balances history, definitions, theory and methodology with forthright discussion of various abuse experiences so that we can respond both empathetically and effectively. BW.B259f

Family Violence Handbook, Indiana Association Chiefs of Police, 1992. Pocket policing guide for Indiana law enforcement officers provides information on family violence as crime, responding to family disturbances, misdemeanor arrests to protect victims, police reports, domestic violence, and violence directed toward elderly adults. BW.I39f

Feminist Practice in the 21st Century, Nan Van Den Bergh, Editor. Washington, D.C.: NASW, 1997. This material is designed for helping professionals. It reflects the cutting edge in scholarship on feminist social work, covering topics such as homelessness, AIDS, substance abuse, and nuclear disarmament from a feminist perspective. It contains a chapter entitled *A Feminist Life Span Perspective on Aging* by Colette Browne. CO.B497f

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Financial Safety Planning for Older Women, Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence. Madison, Wisconsin, 1998. This publication addresses the financial obstacles that prevent battered older women from leaving abusive relationships and how to overcome those obstacles. EC.W811f

Focus Group on Crime Victimization of Older Persons: Recommendations to the Office of Justice Programs, U.S. Department of Justice. Washington D.C., 1998. This focus group report includes information on defining the problem of elder victimization, perceptions and responses of older persons to victimization and the response of the criminal justice system. MR.D419f

From a Web of Fear and Isolation to a Community Safety Net (Training Curriculum and Participant Manual), National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL). Madison, Wisconsin, 2002. This training is designed to increase understanding of the dynamics of abuse in later life and effective interventions to improve safety, support, and services for victims and survivors. The training package includes a trainer's manual and a sample participant's manual. BW.N277f (Curriculum) & BW.N277fr (Participant Manual)

Gender Issues in Elder Abuse, Lynda Aitken and Gabrield Griffin. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications, 1996. Filling a gap on the existing literature on elder abuse and gender, *Gender Issues in Elder Abuse* analyzes the ways in which gender is central to the occurrence, detection, and prevention of elder abuse. The authors identify the gendered nature of elder abuse and contend that most elderly victims are women and that in domestic and in institutional settings women abuse women. SJ.A311g

Guidelines for the Screening of Persons Working With Children, the Elderly, and Individuals with Disabilities in Need of Support, Noy S. Davis. Washington, D.C.: United States Department of Justice, 1998. These guidelines do not mandate criminal record checks for all care providers but do present advice on establishing a policy that provides an appropriate level of screening based upon situations. OR.O32g

Helping Crime Victims: Research, Policy and Practice, Roberts, Albert R. Roberts. Newbury Park, California: Sage Publications, 1990. *Helping Crime Victims* offers the first up-to-date, authoritative overview of victim/witness assistance and survivor services. LA.R643h

Improving the Police Response to Domestic Elder Abuse, Lisa Nerenberg. Washington, D.C.: Police Executive Research Forum, 1993. This manual is intended to increase understanding of police officers' legal mandates, the process of aging, and the aspects of domestic elder abuse that police are likely to encounter. It is designed to offer practical information that can be applied to daily encounters police have with elderly abuse victims (potential and actual), suspects, and witnesses. PO.N444i

Issues in Intimate Violence, Raquel Kennedy Bergen. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications, 1998. Designed specifically for undergraduate students, this resource provides a comprehensive and accessible anthology that prepares the foundation for understanding a wide range of violence that commonly occurs in families and between intimates. SA.B493i

Legal Interventions in Family Violence: Research Findings and Policy

Implications, National Institute of Justice. Washington, D.C.: National Institute of Justice, 1998. Contains a chapter on research on legal interventions in elder abuse cases. This resource is also available online. LA.W2771e

Michigan Families Provide Care for Elderly Relatives: Briefing Paper NO. 95-08

by Diane Levande, East Lansing, Michigan, Michigan State University, 1996. This report details the results of a Michigan telephone survey on care of elderly relatives. BW.L655m

The Mistreatment of Elderly People (Second Edition), Peter Decalmer & Frank

Glendenning, editors. Thousand Oaks, California: Sage Publications, 1997. This fully revised and extended edition provides a comprehensive overview of research into elder abuse and presents practical guidance for professionals concerned with the abuse and mistreatment of elderly people. MR.D291m

Old Women Breaking the Silence, Ageism and Battering Project, Duluth, Minnesota:

Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women, 1987(Reprinted 1990). This is a staff manual for advocates working with older women who are survivors of domestic violence. It includes survivor stories as well as information on reducing barriers to service. SJ.A265o

Older Battered Women: Integrating Aging and Domestic Violence, Lisa Nerenberg.

San Francisco, California: San Francisco Consortium for Elder Abuse Prevention, 1996. This manual is intended to help service providers and advocates in the fields of aging and adult protective services, as well as those who work in domestic violence programs, understand the special needs of older battered women. BW.N444o

Older Adults in Michigan: Social Relationship Satisfaction, Financial Outlook, and Services: Briefing Paper No. 95-06, Diane Levande. East Lansing, MI:

Michigan State University, 1996. This report details the results of telephone survey of older adults in Michigan. EC.L655o

Outing Age: Public Policy Issues Affecting Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and

Transgender Elders, Sean Cahill Washington, DC: The Policy Institute of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force Foundation, 2000. Outing Age outlines major public policy issues facing GLBT seniors, including: federal aging programs; public health; disability; long-term term care and care giving; housing, including nursing homes; employment; family policy; and income support programs such Social Security. MR.C132o

Peace of Mind: Senior Citizen Self Protection, Linda Kenoyer. Dubuque, Iowa:

Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company, 1985. This self-help brochure is designed to assist older adults in protecting themselves against various crimes. It contains a section on sexual assault. SH.K33p

Rape and Older Women: A Guide to Prevention and Protection, Linda Davis.

Rockville, Maryland: National Institute of Mental Health, 1979. This material discusses the process of growing older in our society, the special vulnerability of older women, and the physical and psychological impact that fear of crime and sexual assault have on the lifestyle of older women. SA.D262r

Reach Out: Intervening in Elder Abuse, Michigan State Medical Society Task Force on Family Violence. East Lansing, Michigan, 1995. This resource contains information about elder abuse in Michigan, reporting abuse and medical and legal considerations. ME.M624re

Serving the Older Battered Woman: A Conference Planning Guide, San Francisco Consortium for Elder Abuse Prevention. San Francisco, CA: San Francisco Consortium for Elder Abuse Prevention, 1997. This resource includes: 1) How to plan a conference on older battered women in your community, 2) Introduction to elder abuse and neglect, 3) Introduction to violence, 4) The interface between domestic violence and elder abuse, and 5) Plenary and small group exercises. BW.S195s

Sexual Assault: A Hospital Protocol for Forensic and Medical Examination, The State of New Hampshire Office of the Attorney General, 1998. Outlines proper medical exam procedure with emphasis on the emotional needs of the Sexual Assault victim. This resource details the responsibilities of service providers responding to Sexual Assault, including individuals involved in the initial report, the initial response and the medical and evidentiary examination. Discusses parental notification, needs of the male, child, elderly and disabled victim, how to report, and post-exam information. ME.N532s

Transcending Silence: Focus on Sexual Assault and the Elderly, Tiffany Lodholz. Madison, Wisconsin: Wisconsin Coalition Against Sexual Assault, 2001. This booklet has valuable information for those who work with and care about people with the elderly who have survived sexual violence. Transcending Silence is a series about speaking out and taking action in our communities. SA.L821t

Understanding Elder Abuse in Minority Populations, Toshio Tatara. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: Brunner/Mazel, 1999. Much of the research in the area of elder abuse has traditionally focused on the Caucasian population, but no book has yet examined this disturbing issue as it pertains to minorities. This groundbreaking text fills that gap. As the population of minority seniors in the United States continues to grow, the need for a critical examination of the problem within these groups is pressing for those in the fields of gerontology, social work, and minority studies. MR.T216u

Understanding Violence Against Women, Nancy A. Crowell and Ann W. Burgess. Washington, D.C.: National Academy Press, 1996. A panel report responding to the 1995 National Research Council's request to develop a research agenda to increase the understanding and control of violence against women. BW.N277u

West Virginia Protocol for Responding to Victims of Sexual Assault: A Multidisciplinary, Victim-Centered Approach for Victim Support Services, Law Enforcement, Hospitals, Medical Personnel and Prosecution, Virginia Foundation for Rape Information and Services. Charleston, WV: West Virginia. Foundation for Rape Information and Services. This resource details the responsibilities of service providers responding to sexual assault, including individuals involved in the initial report, the initial response, and those who coordinate support services. Includes general information concerning sensitivity to the needs of the elderly victim. SA.W516w

Articles and Other Print Materials

These additional print materials are available from the Resource Center.

A Nationwide Survey of Domestic Violence Shelters' Programming for Older Women by Linda Vinton, Violence Against Women, Vol. 4 No. 5, October 1998.

Older Battered Women's Project, Final Report by Arlene S. Averill, Vermont Network Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault

Unrecognized Elder Abuse Victims: Older Abused Women by Bonnie Brandl and Jane Raymond, Journal of Case Management, Springer Publishing Company, 1997.

Materials on Domestic Abuse in Later Life, a bibliography by the Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence

The Time is Now: Domestic Abuse Services for Older Abused Women by Bonnie Brandl, Voice, The Journal of the Battered Women's Movement, Fall 1997-Number 1.

Muted Lives: Older Battered Women by Carol Seaver, Journal of Elder Abuse & Neglect, Vol.8(2) 1996, Haworth Press.

Perceptions of Elder Abuse and Help-seeking Patterns Among African-American, Caucasian American, and Korean-American Elderly Women, by Ailee Moon, Ph.D. and Oliver Williams, Ph.D.

Family Violence in Later Life Power & Control Wheel and Domestic Violence Abuse in Later Life: Tips on Working with Victims, Wisconsin Coalition Against Domestic Violence, 1999 (2 one-page fliers).

Elder Abuse & Substance Abuse: Making the Connection, Nexus, A Publication for NCPEA Affiliates, Volume 6, Issue 1, April 2000.