Elder abuse can include neglect, physical, emotional, financial or sexual abuse. It is up to all of us to prevent and report suspected abuse. **Here are some signs of elder abuse that everyone should know.**

**Emotional & Behavioral Signs**
- Unusual changes in behavior or sleep
- Fear or anxiety
- Isolated or not responsive
- Sadness

**Physical Signs**
- Broken bones, bruises, and welts
- Cuts, sores or burns
- Torn, stained or bloody underclothing
- Sexually transmitted diseases without clear explanation
- Dirtiness, poor nutrition or dehydration
- Poor living conditions
- Missing daily living aids (glasses, walker, and medications)

**Financial Signs**
- Unusual changes in bank account or money management
- Unusual or quick changes in a will or other financial documents
- Fake signatures on financial documents
- Unpaid bills

**REPORTING ABUSE**
Programs such as Adult Protective Services (APS) and the Long-Term Care Ombudsmen are here to help. For reporting numbers, contact Eldercare Locator at 1-800-677-1116 [eldercare.gov].

*In cases of urgent danger, call 911 or the local police or sheriff.*