

Can you spot abuse or neglect?

Last year, Delaware received over 1,200 reports of abuse and neglect of vulnerable adults. With your help, we can prevent further abuse and neglect from happening. Look for:

- Dehydration
- Malnutrition
- Poor hygiene
- Sitting in one's own bodily fluids
- Inadequate living conditions
- Lack of food and medical care
- Presence of untreated pressure sores
- Lack of supervision
- Under/over medicated

***Building strong support
for Delaware's most
vulnerable adults.***

DHSS Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities

1-800-223-9074

For more information visit:
dhss.delaware.gov/dsaapd



**Abuse hurts
at any age.
Prevent it.
Report it.**

call

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**Delaware's
Adult
Protective
Services**

Why You Should Call APS:

If you suspect any form of abuse, neglect or exploitation, you should call APS.

APS workers are specially trained to address such cases.

Not only will they investigate, but they will connect the people involved to needed services throughout Delaware.

We can all prevent abuse, neglect and exploitation from happening in Delaware.

Report it.



Reporting Possible Adult Abuse:

**It's as easy as calling
1-800-223-9074.**

All calls are confidential and you can report anonymously.

Adult Protective Services will work with the victim as well as the abuser to resolve the problem.



What Does Adult Abuse look like?

- Physical abuse such as bodily harm
- Sexual abuse such as non-consensual touching, fondling or intercourse
- Emotional abuse such as verbal assaults or intimidation
- Confinement, restraining or isolation other than for medical reasons
- Passive or deliberate neglect or failure to provide life's basics, like food or shelter
- Financial exploitation

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