



Elder Abuse Ontario
Stop Abuse - Restore Respect
Maltraitance des personnes âgées Ontario
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Elder Abuse Ontario e-Newsletter

Summer 2018

Annual Call for EAO Board of Directors



Our volunteer Board comprised of dedicated individuals from across the province governs Elder Abuse Ontario (EAO). To ensure a balance of skills among its members who can provide leadership and strategic direction to the organization, we are currently seeking candidates with particular competencies, and diversity of skills, to fill upcoming vacancies.

These include, but are not limited to:

- Fund & Revenue Development
- Financial acuity
- Strong knowledge of Board Governance
- Experience with establishing and maintaining Government & Stakeholder Relations
- Cultural Diversity – Responsiveness to Multi-cultural Community Needs

*Applications accepted until
September 14, 2018.*

[View Application Details](#)

EAO Webinars, Trainings and Conferences



Join EAO's interactive and educational monthly webinars.

TRAINING EVENTS

**Elder Abuse in Our
LGBTQ2S Community: It's
Not Right**

Train The Trainer Workshop

Monday, August 13, 2018
9:30 AM - 3:00 PM
519 Church St., Toronto

EAO WEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE

**Keeping Our Elders Safe
From Abuse: Promoting
Caregiver Resilience**

Friday, September 21, 2018
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Royal Canadian Legion
20 Municipal Dr, Grand Bend, ON

Keynote Presentation:

WEBINARS

**Elder Abuse: Response
Strategies for PSW's**

Wed. August 29th, 2018
1:30 PM - 3:00 PM

PSW's roles in preventing,
responding and reporting
situations of abuse among their
older patients and/or clients.

This workshop will focus on the unique challenges facing older members of lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans, queer and two-spirit (LGBTQ2S) communities in need of care. Through open discussions, learn how to foster social networks and care environments, which are affirming of gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation. Learn about Elder Abuse in our LGBTQ2S community, specifically utilizing the EAO module further enhanced by an INR Train-the-trainer session.

[Register Here](#)

It's Not Right: Changing the Conversation to Stop the Abuse of Older Adults

Train the Trainer Workshop

Friday, October 12, 2018
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Nipigon

Participants will learn how to lead workshops where individuals learn how to recognize the warning signs of the abuse of older adults, how to respond safely and supportively through practical approaches engaged to help seniors at-risk or experiencing abuse.

[Learn More](#)

It's Not Right - Intersections of Domestic Violence, Caregiving and Dementia

Margaret MacPherson, Community Research Associate & Consultant, Centre for Research & Education on Violence Against Women & Children, Western University

Please join us at our West Regional Elder Abuse Conference.

[View Full Agenda and Register](#)

WEBINARS

Sexual Abuse of Older Adults: Indicators, Risk Factors and Prevention

Thurs., August 16th, 2018
11:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Learn more about how to recognize, prevent and respond to situations of sexual abuse of older adults.

[Register](#)

[Register on Website](#)

Strategies to address violence against older women: An introduction to 5 online video learning modules

Tues. September 18, 2018
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Join Elder Abuse Ontario, Women's College Research Institute and the Ontario Network of Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centers, Institute to learn about our NEW Learning Modules. The webinar will provide a brief overview of the project and highlights of the 5 Modules that are available on-line as training resources for agencies and organizations.

[Reserve your Spot](#)

To view prior Webinars hosted by EAO, please visit our [website](#)

**Bullying between Older Adults:
What is happening in Ontario?**

Senior to senior bullying is concerning, yet the majority of bullying research has virtually ignored bullying amongst older adults. Sheridan College, Centre for Elder Research, in partnership with Elder Abuse Ontario (EAO), and a grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, are working towards filling this void in the research. By understanding what is happening in Ontario, we will be able to develop best practices and strategies for this diverse population.

We are conducting an Ontario-wide study to help us learn more about the prevalence and nature of bullying between older adults. The data will be used to help create a resource package outlining best practices for seniors and those working with seniors to stop bullying.

If you live in Ontario, and are age 55+, you are invited to complete the survey. You can obtain more information on the project, and can access the survey by clicking on the following link. English survey: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SeniorBullyingProject>

Survey is also available in French, Portuguese, Spanish, Chinese, Italian, and Punjabi .

We would appreciate it if you would share the survey with others as appropriate.

The survey will be closing October 2018

Unique Opportunity To Participate In An Innovative.... *Simulation and Training Course on Elder Abuse*

Elder Abuse Prevention Muskoka in collaboration with Elder Abuse Ontario, and the Elder Abuse Networks in Central East Ontario are pleased to offer agencies and organizations the opportunity to participate in INNOVATIVE simulated-based elder abuse training course.

This elder abuse simulation and training course will help provide learners the opportunity for hands-on deliberate practice, development of decision-making skills, and improved communication and teamwork.

The course includes the option for attendees to participate in a free Simulation Training Day. This day will enable participants to build on their knowledge to apply it in a realistic, "hands-on" learning environment. More details will be provided at the training! Those wishing to attend the Simulated Training Day MUST attend a training session.

You may register for one of the training session listed below, by clicking on the location. All sessions run from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

August 28th, 2018 [Newmarket](#)
September 11, 2018 [Orillia](#)
September 12, 2018 [Peterborough](#)
September 27th, 2018 [Oshawa](#)

If you have any questions, please contact : Heather Hay, Coordinator, Elder Abuse Prevention Muskoka 705-646-7677 muskokanpea@gmail.com or Raeann Rideout, EAO (705-876-1122 ext 327) centraleast@elderabuseontario.com



RESOURCES, REPORTS AND RESEARCH

RESOURCES

Strategies to Address Violence Against Older Women

In the past, the elder abuse and violence against women sectors have often worked separately from each other resulting in a lack of resources needed to prevent and mitigate the occurrence of violence against older women.

To address this issue, Women's College Research Institute, Elder Abuse Ontario, and the Ontario Network of Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centres have collaborated to develop a series of video learning modules on violence against older women. The video learning modules have been designed to benefit the public and a variety of organizations connected to violence against older women and focus on strategies that can be used to help address the growing problem.

Specific topics covered by the video learning modules include: Competing Frameworks of Elder Abuse and Violence Against Women, Activism and Advocacy for Bringing about Change for Abused Older Women, Promising Practices for Responding to Older Women who have Experienced Violence, Public Awareness and Community Mobilization to Address Domestic Violence in Older Women, and Building Partnerships Across the Violence Against Women and Elder Abuse Sectors.

To access the video learning modules, visit [Elder Abuse Ontario](#) or the [Ontario Network of Sexual Assault/Domestic Violence Treatment Centres](#) websites.



Elder Abuse Awareness - A Documentary by Pak Pioneers Community Organization of Canada

Pak Pioneers Community Organization of Canada produced a documentary with Elder Abuse Ontario to spread awareness among the public with a special focusing on South Asian community in Canada. [Watch Video Now](#)

Dr. Masoom Shah, President of Pak Pioneers & Rochella Vassell, EAO CW Regional Consultant

sfCare Getting Started Toolkit

The Regional Geriatric Program of Toronto recently launched the **Senior Friendly Care (sfCare) Getting Started Toolkit**. The toolkit provides actionable recommendations and practical resources. [Click here to access the Toolkit.](#)

'Forever, I'll Love You' Video

Elder Abuse video produced by: Lisa Xuan, Sarang Gupta, Luke Edgar, Sarah Haddad, Candace Nayman, Nicole Mathies & Ben Dawson - University of Ottawa Faculty of Medicine (MD Candidates, Class of 2020). Students presented their advocacy project on elder abuse at the Canadian Geriatrics Society Conference in April, 2018. [Watch on YouTube](#)

The Guardians (2018)

A film by Billie Mintz.

In a vitally important and overlooked subject, THE GUARDIANS exposes allegations of corruption within the Nevada Guardianship and Family Court System's involvement in the legal kidnapping of elderly people. The film shines a light on a lucrative industry and criminal enterprise that trades the elderly as commodities. Victims and their families are caught in a web spun by a system that has allowed professional for-profit guardians, using court orders, to take control over

individuals' healthcare and financial decisions under the color of law in order to steal their estate. [Watch Personal Interview from HotDoc Screening](#) and [Movie Clip](#)

Toronto College of Dental Hygiene

Provides affordable dental care to the public. Students under the guidance of registered staff and newly built facilities offer a full range of dental services. The Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting students work closely with patients to provide the highest quality of dental care possible. For someone who does not have coverage paying, a fee of \$32 for teeth cleaning and check-up is offered.

If you would like to become a patient contact 416-423-3099. [Learn more details](#)



Engaging Financial Institutions in Abuse Investigations

View a recorded webinar (June 6, 2018) which describes a protocol for APS and other financial abuse investigators developed to facilitate requests for evidence from financial institutions, when dealing with cases of financial abuse.

The webinar features Joe Snyder, who spearheaded the protocol's development; Alan Lawitz, Director of New York's Bureau of Adult Services, and Florida APS Director Robert Anderson.

The recording of the webinar, presenters' slides, and links to the protocol are available [here](#).

International Financial Crimes: How do We Turn the Tide and Help Older Victims?

Speakers- FBI Victim Specialist Debbie Deem and Steve Baker, who authored the Better Business Bureau (BBB) report.

The webinar took place on August 1, 2018. [Click here to view](#)

RESEARCH

Reframing Sexual Violence: From #MeToo to Time's Up

Standford Social Innovation Review, Apr. 17, 2018

In the shift from #MeToo to Time's Up, movement leaders are strategically framing sexual violence as a social and cultural problem, rather than an individual problem. Doing so helps people think



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opportunity for Canadians living in poverty through program and policy innovation.

- New [Prosper Canada Learning Hub](#) - connects practitioners, policy-makers, funders, and advocates to resources, research, and learning material from the world of financial empowerment.
- A [National, portable retirement income plan](#) - first-of-its-kind!
- [Financial literacy facilitator resources](#) - online tools

Learn more at www.prospercanada.org

2018 ABLE Financial Empowerment

ABLE is a cross-sector community of practice working to reduce poverty through financial empowerment. [Visit website for further Resources](#).

Violence Against Older Women

This discussion paper highlights the types of violence, abuse and neglect older women experience, and offers recommendations for a collaborative approach to close the data, policy



about the broad range of actions we can take to systemically prevent sexual violence. [Read Article](#)

Sexual Abuse of Older Nursing Home Residents: A Literature Review

Nursing Research and Practice, Volume 2015

The purpose of this study was to assess the state of knowledge on the subject of sexual abuse against older nursing home residents through a literature review. [Read Article](#)



Special Issue: Elder Abuse and Social Work: Research, Theory and Practice

Volume 48, Issue 4, June 2018, British Journal of Social Work

[Read Free Articles Online](#)

and programme gaps that prevent women living free from violence, including in older age. [Read now](#)

Paper is also available in [Spanish, and Arabic](#)

Entitled to the Same Rights

This report details evidence from a consultation with older women asking them to reflect on their rights to non-discrimination and equality, and to freedom from violence, abuse and neglect. [\(Available in English, Russian and Spanish\)](#)

Missing millions: How older people with disabilities are excluded from humanitarian response (executive summary)

This report explores how older people with disabilities' rights and needs are widely overlooked in humanitarian responses. It highlights barriers they face in getting assistance and how these can be overcome. [Read more](#)

REPORTS



Ontario Securities Commission (OSC)

OSC recently published, [Encouraging Retirement Planning through Behavioural Insights](#) that identifies ways in which government, regulators, employers, and financial institutions can apply behavioural insights to promote retirement planning. [Read more in the latest issue of Investor News.](#)

OSC's Seniors Strategy includes a comprehensive action plan of targeted policy, operational, research, educational and outreach initiatives to ensure that older Ontarians' needs are appropriately met by the OSC and the investment industry. [Read the Strategy](#)

NEW Federal and Provincial Ministers for Seniors



The Honourable /
L'honorable
Filomena Tassi

Minister of Seniors
(Hamilton West–
Ancaster–Dundas)

Minister Tassi will help the Government better understand the needs of Canadian seniors and ensure that programs and services are developed that respond to Canada's aging population. This will provide Canadian seniors and future retirees greater security and a better quality of life.

[View Profile and Details](#)



The Honourable /
L'honorable
Raymond Sung Joon Cho

Minister for Seniors and
Accessibility

ministre des Services aux aînés et de
l'Accessibilité

[MPP for Scarborough—Rouge River](#)

UPCOMING CONFERENCE & EVENTS

Conferences



The IFA, in collaboration with the Government of Canada, is proud to announce a *pre-conference* **Addressing Inequalities Summit** taking place at the Chelsea Hotel on Tues. August 7th (9:30 am – 4:00pm).

This Summit will include (2) Keynote Speakers, plenary panels and an open forum to facilitate conversations geared towards informing policy and practice for improved health and well-being of older people within marginalized populations.

Highlights will include: addressing the inequalities experienced by older LGBTQ2S people, Indigenous populations, immigrants, women, homeless individuals, prisoners and older persons living in rural and remote areas.

With limited spaces available, express your interest in attending the Summit and confirm your spot!

See Full Conference Program Aug 8 - 10th and Speakers [here](#).



5th Canadian Frailty Network (CFN) 2018 National Conference - FRAILTY MATTERS

CFN is Canada's only national network dedicated to older Canadians living with frailty and all responsible for their well-being.

A centrepiece of the 2018 CFN National Conference, the **FRAILTY MATTERS - Innovation Showcase** will spotlight the best emerging or existing innovative approaches to improving the lives of older Canadians living with frailty and all responsible for their care.

The CFN FRAILTY MATTERS Innovation Showcase is presented in partnership with the Canadian Foundation for Healthcare Improvement (CFHI) and the Canadian Institutes of Health Research — Institute for Aging (CIHR-IA). [View the Program](#)

[Register today and join the conversation this September!](#)

Ontario Community Support Association (OCSA) 2018 Conference

October 17-18, 2018
Markham, Ontario



Immerse yourself in an environment of innovation, discovery and leading-edge thinking.

This year's areas of special focus will be:

- * Workforce Issues, Strategies and Solutions
- * Health System Evolution
- * Leading for Influence and Impact
- * Innovation
- * Excellence in Operations & Administration

[Register Today](#)

Canadian Association of Gerontology (CAG) 47th Annual Scientific and Educational Meeting: Making it Matter – Mobilizing Aging Research, Practice, and Policy

October 18 - 20, 2018
Vancouver, BC

Share research and work in the field of aging with national and international colleagues.

[View Conference Details.](#)

Building an Elder Justice Unit in South Dakota

Join the Elder Justice Initiative webinar on **August 23, 2018, at 2:00 p.m. EST** to discuss the unique role of Elder Justice Units in prosecuting elder abuse cases. In response to the increase in cases, Elder Justice Units are being developed in state and local prosecution offices.

[Register Here](#)

International Day of Older Persons - October 1st



The theme of the 2018 commemoration is "[Celebrating Older Human Rights Champions](#)"

The 2018 theme aims to:

- Promote the rights enshrined in the Declaration and what it means in the daily lives of older persons;
- Raise the visibility of older people as participating members of society committed to improving the enjoyment of human rights in many areas of life and not just those that affect them immediately;
- Reflect on progress and challenges in ensuring full and equal enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms by older persons; and
- Engage broad audiences across the world and mobilize people for human rights at all stages of life.

What better way to celebrate this Day than by celebrating the older people around the world who dedicate their lives to championing human rights?

[Visit the UNDESA Division for Inclusive Social Development Ageing](#) for further details!

CALL FOR FUNDING APPLICATIONS



Two new granting opportunities to enhance legal services for rural residents and the role of trusted intermediaries.

Both calls are for one-time project funding and both are open to nonprofit organizations that work to improve access to justice for the people of Ontario.

The two calls are: 1. **Trusted help** 2. **Connecting rural regions**

Grants available for up to 3 years and \$250,000.

Application deadline - Nov. 1, 2018

Visit [Connecting Rural Regions](#) for criteria and application process details.

Your Opinion Counts...

Did you find the information in EAO's Newsletter useful?

Very Useful

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Useful

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