

ABUSE HURTS AT ANY AGE

ABUSE refers to any intentional or negligent act that causes harm or serious risk to a **vulnerable adult**.

...recognize it and report it

There are many kinds of abuse:

- Physical pain or injury, depriving of basic needs or confinement
- Emotional or mental pain, anguish or distress
- Sexual contact that is non-consensual
- Exploitation of funds, property or assets of a vulnerable adult for personal profit
- Neglect and abandonment including depriving a vulnerable adult of food, water, shelter, medication or health services

A vulnerable adult is any person older than age 18, or emancipated by marriage that has a substantial mental or functional impairment.

Look for the signs and report any abuse.

To Report Abuse, Neglect or Exploitation of a Vulnerable Adult:

1-855-462-5465 (1-855-GO2LINK) nd.gov/dhs/services/adultsaging/reporting.html

WHO TO CONTACT IF YOU NEED HELP

Emergency Services — 911

Aging and Disability Resource Link

1-855-462-5465 (1-855-G02LINK)

carechoice.nd.gov

Statewide Connection to:

Health Services

Home delivered/congregate meals

Options Counseling

Home and Community Based Services

(personal care, homemaker)

Financial Assistance (food, medical, heating)

Transportation Services

Caregiver Support Services

Long Term Care Ombudsman Services

Supportive Counseling

Vulnerable Adult Protective Services

Information and Referral

Local Contact Agency

Alzheimer's Association of MN/ND

1-800-272-3900 alz.org/mnnd

ND Attorney General Consumer Protection

1-800-472-2600 attorneygeneral.nd.gov

ND Protection and Advocacy

1-800-472-2670 ndpanda.org

ND Securities Department

1-800-297-5124 nd.gov/securities

Legal Services of ND

1-866-621-9886 legalassist.org

Suicide Prevention Lifeline

1-800-273-TALK (8255)

First Link Hotline (24/7 support, crisis, referral services)

National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-7233

1000 100 1200

Veterans Crisis Line

1-800-273-TALK (8255) Press 1

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