

IDENTIFYING AND RESPONDING TO ELDER ABUSE:
THE VITAL ROLE OF COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS

Module 1: Why Elder Abuse is Important for Community Corrections

TEST

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**Please circle the letter of the MOST accurate answer for each of the questions below.**

1. Which of the following best defines elder abuse?
  - a. Abuse, neglect, and exploitation of a person at least 60 years old by someone trusted
  - b. Intentional victimization by a person at least 60 years old against someone trusted
  - c. Unintentional victimization of a person at least 60 years old by a stranger
  - d. Victimization of a person at least 70 years old by a criminal
  
2. Identify the example of a coded disclosure of elder abuse.
  - a. "My son is taking my money."
  - b. "My granddaughter never comes to see me anymore."
  - c. "My nephew gets frustrated and hits me sometimes."
  - d. "Things have not been so nice since my granddaughter moved in."
  
3. Which of the following would be the least likely way a community corrections officer might encounter elder abuse?
  - a. Home contacts with an offender living with an older person
  - b. Questioning an offender who has items or funds he or she cannot explain adequately
  - c. Requesting status reports from substance abuse treatment providers
  - d. Supervising an offender charged with elder abuse
  
4. Abuse of an elder's medications might be manifested by:
  - a. The elder appearing groggy from receiving too much medication
  - b. The elder experiencing pain from insufficient medication when medication is available
  - c. The offender showing evidence that he or she has taken or sold an elder's medication
  - d. All of the above
  
5. An offender deliberately failing to provide necessary care for an elderly person for whom they have responsibility is an example of:
  - a. Intentional neglect
  - b. Status neglect
  - c. Unintentional neglect
  - d. None of the above

6. The reasons an offender might neglect the medical needs of an older person for whom he or she has responsibility may include:
  - a. The elderly person's embarrassment about his or her condition
  - b. The offender's lack of training or awareness of how to care for the elderly person's medical needs
  - c. The elderly person's desire to have a different caretaker
  - d. The offender's lack of medical insurance
7. Which set of factors in an offender's background would be most likely to make it inadvisable for him or her to work in an elder care facility?
  - a. Drug abuse, sexual assault, and charges of elder abuse
  - b. Drug trafficking, driving while impaired, and forgery
  - c. Vandalism, bail jumping, and dealing in stolen property
  - d. Violation of probation, embezzlement, and racketeering
8. Illegal or inappropriate taking of an older person's assets or property is known as:
  - a. Creative accounting
  - b. Exploitation
  - c. Mismanagement
  - d. Negligence
9. What are the major responsibilities of Adult Protective Services agencies?
  - a. Receiving reports of adult abuse, exploitation, or neglect
  - b. Investigating reports of adult abuse, exploitation, or neglect
  - c. Providing or referring abused or vulnerable adults to needed services
  - d. All of the above
10. A victim of domestic violence:
  - a. By definition is under age 60
  - b. Is almost always married to the abuser
  - c. May also be a victim of elder abuse
  - d. None of the above