

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

Module 2: What Is Elder Abuse?

TEST

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

1. All 50 states and the District of Columbia have legislation addressing elder abuse, and 45 of those jurisdictions have mandatory reporting laws covering elder abuse.
  - a. True
  - b. False
  
2. Identify the correct list of nationally identified categories of elder abuse.
  - a. Sexual, emotional, injurious, financial, neglect, abandonment, self-neglect
  - b. Sexual, emotional, physical, financial, neglect, abandonment, self-neglect
  - c. Sexual, emotional, financial, neglect, abandonment, self-neglect
  - d. Sexual, contemplative, physical, financial, neglect, abandonment, self-neglect
  
3. Many elder abuse offenders are:
  - a. Financially dependent on their victim.
  - b. Economically stable.
  - c. Abstinent from alcohol and other drugs.
  - d. Strangers to their victims.
  
4. If a community corrections officer only **suspects** that an older person may be abused, the **BEST** thing to do is:
  - a. Keep an eye on the case and document all findings until he or she can prove the abuse.
  - b. Keep all information about the case confidential.
  - c. Report his or her suspicions to the proper authorities for investigation.
  - d. Immediately return the offender to court or the releasing authority for a violation.
  
5. Services provided to older people and people with disabilities who are in danger of being abused, neglected, or exploited and are unable to protect themselves are:
  - a. Adult Enhancement Services.
  - b. Adult Enrichment Services.
  - c. Adult Protective Services.
  - d. Adult Promotional Services.

6. The most frequently reported form of elder abuse is:
  - a. Financial exploitation.
  - b. Neglect.
  - c. Physical abuse.
  - d. Sexual abuse.
  
7. Infliction of anguish, pain, or distress through verbal or nonverbal acts is the definition of:
  - a. Embarrassment.
  - b. Emotional abuse.
  - c. Manipulation.
  - d. Physical abuse.
  
8. Most abuse of the elderly is committed by the victim's:
  - a. Children/grandchildren.
  - b. Nieces/nephews.
  - c. Brothers/sisters.
  - d. Spouse/children.
  
9. "Domestic Abuse" refers to abuse that occurs:
  - a. In an elder's home in the community.
  - b. In a nursing home.
  - c. In the United States.
  - d. In a senior center.
  
10. Which of the following is the **most likely** indicator of elder neglect?
  - a. Dehydration and malnutrition
  - b. Untreated medical conditions
  - c. Absence of dentures, hearing aids, glasses, wheelchairs, or other assistive devices
  - d. All of the above