

SNAPSHOT OF ABUSE IN LATER LIFE TRAINING PROGRAM

In 2018, Saint Elizabeth Community was awarded a grant by the Office of Violence Against Women, U. S. Department of Justice to educate and train key community providers about elder abuse. These two groups of providers include:

1. Law Enforcement Officers and
2. Direct Service Providers (Community based victim service workers etc.)

Trainings have already been conducted to train prosecutors and judges in elder abuse.

Law Enforcement & Investigator Elder Abuse Training

Law Enforcement trainings are specific to the needs of police officers who may encounter situations of elder abuse when working in the community as first responders. The program comprises a series of twenty-three, </= 15/20 minute modules. Within the 23 modules, 10 are at a basic level and 13 are advanced training. Topics range from Intimate Partner Violence in later life, and working with Adult Protective Services to Elder Abuse Dynamics, Capacity / Dementia through Documentation and Presenting a Case to the Prosecutor. This is a national Dept. of Justice training. Four RI police departments have already completed the program.

How do Police Officers Complete the Training?

Officers will be provided with a link to a web based platform, where they will create a log in account. From this account, they will be provided access to the training modules, and can view independently. Trainings can be completed in any order. Upon completion of the 10 (basic level) or 23 modules (basic and advanced levels), a certificate will be provided which the officer can retain for their professional portfolio.

Will Completion of Training Enhance Promotion Possibilities?

Depending upon the requirements of the officers' police department training officer, completion of training may enhance promotion possibilities in accordance with department regulations.

How do Police Departments Access the Abuse in Later Life Trainings?

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