

## 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

### 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](#)

Keynote Presentation:

### ***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](#)

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

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## RESOURCES, REPORTS AND RESEARCH

### RESOURCES

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#### 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](#)

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