



World Elder Abuse Awareness Day

Respect for Seniors Declaration



Based on

- “Tool Kit” for Taking Action: Step by Step



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- International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse
- <http://www.inpea.net>





Respect for Seniors Declaration

Culturally and linguistically diverse seniors deserve to live safely with dignity, and as independently as possible, with the supports they need.



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Elder abuse is most often defined as any act that harms a senior or jeopardises her or his health or welfare.



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Eliminating abuse to older persons is each community's responsibility. We are concerned about the risk to our older residents who suffer from neglect or are victims of financial, emotional or physical abuse.



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We should watch for signs of abuse such as physical trauma, withdrawal, depression, anxiety, fear of family members, friends or caregivers; and



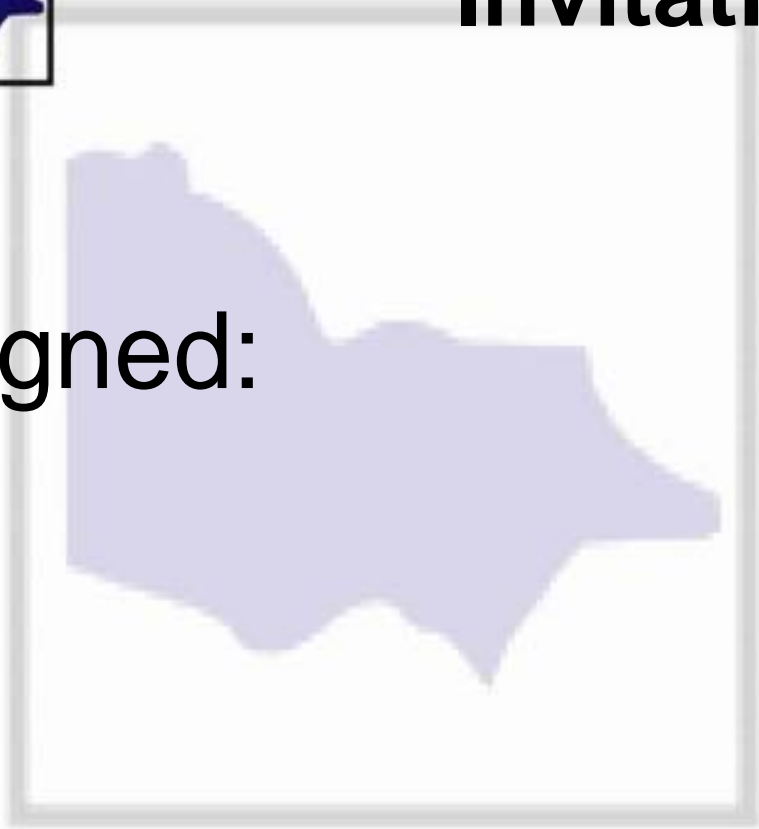
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We recognise World Elder Abuse Awareness Day and encourage everyone to commit to build safer communities for our elderly residents.



Invitation to sign

Signed:





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- *Golden Years* magazine
- *Reclaiming Respect and Dignity: Elder Abuse Prevention in Ethic Communities*

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