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Workshop Goals

- Participants will recognize the agencies needed to address abuse in Later Life in their community and strategize ways of forming collaborations.
- Participants will be able to distinguish different types of collaboration groups that would be appropriate for their locality.
- Participants will identify resources available to assist with collaborative work.
- Participants will identify funding opportunities for this work.
Who Is Here?

- APS
- DV/SA Community Advocates
- System-Based Advocates
- Attorneys (Civil and Criminal) and Courts
- Aging Services
- Faith Community
- Health Care
- Other
Despair shows us the limit of our imagination. Imaginations shared create collaboration, collaboration creates community, and community inspires social change.

— Terry Tempest Williams —
Collaboration Conversation

- What are some benefits to Collaboration in your locality?
- What example do you have a successful collaboration?
Informal Methods of Collaboration

- Joint interviews
- Case consultations
- Referrals and follow-ups
- Working on a project, fundraiser, or public awareness campaign together
Formal Methods of Collaboration

- Case review teams: Multidisciplinary
- Systems Change: Coordinated community response councils or fatality review teams
- Topic specific: Financial exploitation teams
Benefits of Collaboration

- More resources for victims
- New ideas about how to approach a case
- A more seamless response to victims and offenders
- Shared ownership and responsibility for case outcomes
- Less “finger pointing”
- Victim safety
Some Challenges

- Understanding each other’s framework for approaching cases
- Information sharing and confidentiality
- Turf
- Ego
- Lack of resources
- Lack of understanding of what other agencies can and cannot do
Who Might Be Involved

- Faith Leaders
- Advocates
- Aging Services Network
- Adult Protective Agencies
- Health Professionals
- Friends
- Private Law Firm
- Ombudsman
- Family
Who Else Could Be Involved?

- What are some issue specific groups in your locality?
- Culturally Specific groups?
Let’s Listen in on a Case

An Age for Justice

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Who Else Could Be Involved? part 2

- What are some issue specific groups in your locality?
- Culturally Specific groups?
- What groups might be involved that you don’t normally work with?
Let’s Look at a Few More Stories

In Their Own Words:
Domestic Abuse in Later Life

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LoisSamPat_000435
Who Would You Involve in the Case of

- Lois?
- Sam?
- Pat?
Models

- Working cases solo and separately
- All City/County Group
- Case review only
- Sub groups of existing committees
- Case review groups flowing into a coordinated community response
ALL City/County Group

Advantages / Disadvantages?

- Same goal
- Different focus
- All government staff
- Leader as job description
Case Review

Ongoing cases

Finished cases

Hypothetical cases

Advantages / Disadvantages?
Sub Groups

DV Task Forces or Coordinated Community Response groups

- Sub committees/Case Review
  - DV In LL
  - Special Populations committees
  - SV in LL
  - DV In LL
  - Other working groups?
Next Steps

What kind of Collaboration is needed in your area?

Who should be involved?
Agencies
Individuals

What Resources are Available?
Staff
Funds
Energy

What do we need to work on?
SWOT
Interest
Funding

- What funding have you used in your community to further this work?

- Grants
  - Federal
  - State
  - Foundations
Funding From OVW

- https://www.justice.gov/ovw/grant-programs
OVW Abuse in Later Life Program

- Approximately 8 – 9 communities a year
- $400,000 for 3 years
- Address elder abuse by:
  - Providing training and cross training
  - Creating or enhancing a CCR team
  - Developing victim services
Required MOU Partners

- Law enforcement
- Prosecutors’ office
- Adult protective services/aging network
- Domestic violence/sexual assault victim services
OVW Abuse in Later Life Program Grantees

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- FY 2006 Awards
- FY 2007 Awards
- FY 2008 Awards
- FY 2009 Awards
- FY 2010 Awards
- FY 2011 Awards
- FY 2012 Awards
- FY 2013 Awards
- FY 2014 Awards
- FY 2015 Awards
- FY 2016 Awards
- FY 2017 Awards
OVW Abuse in Later Life Program

- National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL): www.ncall.us
- Office on Violence Against Women: www.ovw.doj.gov
Advocates’ Toolkit

Working with Older Survivors of Abuse: A Toolkit for Advocates

As part of our shared mission to enhance the safety and quality of life of victims across the lifespan, NCALL and OVW have worked with advocates throughout the United States exploring how to better meet the needs of older survivors of abuse. Since 1999, NCALL and OVW have talked with older victims and professionals in the field, conducted listening sessions with subject matter experts, reviewed the literature and facilitated trainings. From this process, the Working with Older Survivors of Abuse: A Toolkit for Advocates was created.

- Working with Older Survivors of Abuse: A Framework for Advocates (released June 2016)
- Abuse in Later Life Education Series for Advocates (released June 2017)
National Resource Center on Reaching Victims

- Funded by Office for Victims of Crime (OVC)
- Focused on underserved populations of crime victims, including older adults
- Provides technical assistance, training, consultation, mini-grants
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