

SUSPECTED ADULT / ELDER ABUSE

HPI	Signs & Symptoms	Considerations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type of injury MOI Timeline of incidents 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dehydration Fractures Recurring injuries Decubitus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emotional trauma Behavioral emergency Traumatic injury Failure to thrive

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1. Provide Adult Routine Medical/Trauma Care - treat life threatening problems with airway, breathing, circulation and disability	•	•	•

Adult Abuse:	the mistreatment to any resident age 18-59 living with a disability and any adult 60 years of age or older who live in a domestic setting.
Abuse:	physical, sexual or emotional maltreatment or willful confinement
Neglect:	the failure of a caregiver to provide an adult with the necessities of life, including, but not limited to food, clothing, shelter or medical care. Neglect may be either passive (non-malicious) or willful.

NOTE:

- Abuse and/or neglect of elderly patients may occur in the non-institutional or nursing home setting.
- It is mandated by the State of Illinois to report suspected abuse cases to the Abuse Hot Line:
Elder Abuse 24-hour Hotline: 866-800-1409
- The prehospital provider must accurately and completely document any physical findings on the PCR and relay such findings to the Emergency Department Staff upon transfer to the hospital.