

## **Elder Abuse Is Getting Worse**

- **Elder Abuse:** A single or repeated act that causes harm or distress to an older person taking place in a relationship where there's an expectation of trust. A lack of appropriate action can also lead to elder abuse, such as failing to help someone with care needs.
- **Elder abuse is on the rise.** The World Health Organisation reports that rates of elder abuse rose during lockdown. Around one in six people aged 60 and over experience some form of abuse in community settings.
- Learn to spot the signs. If you're worried that someone's experiencing abuse, either at home or in a care setting, contact your local safeguarding adults board.

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