

HOW TO SPOT ELDER ABUSE

Elder financial exploitation is the illegal or improper use of an older person's funds, property or assets.

WARNING SIGNS

WILLS OR POWERS OF ATTORNEY

A sudden change in beneficiary, especially if involving a caregiver, could be a sign of exploitation.

WITHDRAWALS OR PURCHASES

Large cash withdrawals from banking and investment accounts, as well as using credit cards more frequently, are trouble signs.



UNPAID BILLS OR LACK OF FOOD IN HOUSE

If a person is not paying bills or isn't buying food or other necessities it's time to investigate.

MISSING POSSESSIONS

If you notice that belongings seem to be missing, ask where the items went.

If someone you know has been scammed or financially exploited, CALL 911



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Resources at
<https://bit.ly/elderly-abuse>