

## CHAPTER 14: VICTIMIZATION OF THE ELDERLY

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### INSTRUCTOR GUIDELINES

#### *Key Concepts/Objectives to Emphasize in Instruction and Learning Activities:*

1. Community resources and supportive services for elderly victims and their families. (14-8 to 14-5)
2. Types of crime-specific victimization of the elderly as well as effective responses from victim service providers and allied professionals. (14-18 to 14-28)
3. Effective communication techniques for dealing with elderly victims. (14-28 to 14-31)

#### *Objectives:*

1. Identify the most important needs of elderly victims of different types of crimes.
2. Identify the agencies that are most appropriate to respond to these victims' needs.

#### *Description of Activity and Faculty Guidelines:*

The instructor will divide students into groups of ten. Each group will receive one of three case scenario worksheets, along with a list of agencies that respond to elderly victims (taken from the NVAA text).

The case scenarios depict three friends, with one elderly person victimized by:

- Burglary.
- Mail fraud.
- Domestic elder abuse.

The instructor will provide students in each group with one of the three case scenarios, along with the “list of agencies that can respond to the needs of elderly victims” worksheet. Students will complete their worksheets in their small groups.

#### *Can Be Utilized As:*

Individual Activity     Small Group Activity     Large Group Activity

***Anticipated Amount of Time Required: 15 Minutes***

- 03 minutes for group division.
- 07 minutes to complete student worksheets.
- 05 minutes to process their findings.

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**RESOURCES NEEDED** *(Please check all that apply:)*

- Tear sheets and felt pens
- VCR/monitor
- Overhead projector and screen/LCD and laptop
- Blank overhead transparencies and overhead pens
- Masking tape
- Index cards
- Individual or group worksheets (two)
- Timer
- Other *(please describe):*
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## **STUDENT WORKSHEET**

### **KEY AGENCIES THAT CAN RESPOND TO CRIMES OF ELDERLY ABUSE AND EXPLOITATION**

ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

LAW ENFORCEMENT

LAW ENFORCEMENT-BASED VICTIM ASSISTANCE

BAR ASSOCIATION

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER

CULTURAL DIVERSITY/COMPETENCY PROFESSIONALS

NEWS MEDIA

PREVENTION PROGRAMS

U.S. ATTORNEYS AND VICTIM/WITNESS STAFF

U.S. POSTAL INSPECTION SERVICE

VETERANS ADMINISTRATION

VICTIM ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

OTHERS?





