

# Adult Protective Services



**Are you concerned about the safety or well-being of an older adult or person with a disability? Call us. It can make a difference.**

## Who do we serve?

Adult Protective Services (APS) provides investigations, interventions, advocacy and support for adults 60+ and adults age 18-59 who are physically or cognitively disabled (adult at risk).

## The role of APS...

An APS worker's concern is for the health and well-being of the person at risk. A home visit may be made. After speaking with the individual and determining the needs and risk of harm, the worker will discuss options for improving the situation and supporting the individual's rights.

## Concerned about someone?

Call us. After sharing your concern, with a staff member, they will help determine the next step.

- ◆ All callers' information is confidential.
- ◆ Anonymous referrals are accepted.

## Please remember...

competent adults have the legal right to confidentiality. APS workers are not able to provide details of the investigation to the caller.

# Types of Abuse

- ◆ **Physical Abuse** can range from bruises and scratches to death. It can also include use of restraints, such as locking someone in a room, tying them down, etc.
- ◆ **Sexual Abuse** includes unwanted sexual advances, including assaultive behavior accomplished through coercion, intimidation, force, or fear.
- ◆ **Emotional Abuse** includes words that are threatening, humiliating or intimidating.
- ◆ **Neglect** is the failure of a caregiver to provide basic needs such as food, water, personal care, shelter, and medical care.
- ◆ **Self-Neglect** is failure of an adult at risk to provide for their basic needs, such as food, water, personal care, medical follow-up, business affairs, and safety.
- ◆ **Financial Abuse** involves theft or misuse of money, credit cards, or property. It can also include the forced signature of documents for another person's advantage or profit.

## Call or Visit Us

### **Kenosha County Division of Aging, Disability & Behavioral Health Services**

M – F ◆ 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Appointments available.

(Additional hours available upon request)

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