

New and Best-selling DVD Resources on Elder Abuse, Domestic Violence, and Self-Neglect

These elder abuse, domestic violence, and self-neglect resources are designed to create awareness of and address many of the care, safety, and dignity issues that affect older adults. They are used throughout the U.S., Canada, and abroad to train and educate senior advocates and protective services providers.



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This riveting DVD documents the real-life case of 96-year-old Miss Mary, who was sexually assaulted by her grandson in a multiple-hour ordeal that left her bruised from head to toe. Through interviews with Miss Mary, various professionals involved in investigating and trying the case, and with victim advocates who helped Miss Mary, the DVD reveals some of the dynamics involved in this case, and how it was *successfully* brought to trial and prosecution.

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A Mother Never Gives Up Hope: Older Mothers And Abusive Adult Sons

This DVD shares the candid and powerful stories of Ruth, Lova, Anne, and Rita--four women who are dealing with abuse at the hands of an adult son. In their own words, they work through the emotions and pain of experiencing abuse from their sons, the impact it makes on them as a person, and how it affects their mother-son relationships. It also gives a two-year "window" in which the women look back on how they have changed as a result of the abuse--one takes back her own personal power, another feels remorse at not being able to maintain a relationship with her son. Both emotional and empowering, the stories will help advocates better assist other survivors of this under-reported form of elder abuse.

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"I Won't Go!"

"I was born in this house. I will never leave this house. I'm perfectly happy."

Meet Oli Truss. She is an ex-headmistress in her nineties who is determined to stay in her condemned country cottage – **no matter what**. Not easily forgotten, her story brings home the complex issues of self-neglect, competence and capacity, and the right to live and die at home with dignity.

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Creating An Elder Abuse Forensic Center: Philosophy Into Action

An EAFC unites medical, legal, law enforcement, and social service agencies to provide team case review, in-home assessments, and case filing.

This DVD provides a viable framework to help agencies develop an Elder Abuse Forensic Center that serves as a focal point to provide better understanding and communication between the disciplines. It documents how such collaboration can result in *more effective* services for elders and adults with disabilities who have been abused or neglected. From the initial assessment to a successful case closure, this package is designed to equip agencies to strengthen multidisciplinary communication, and improve the response time and *overall* care to vulnerable and older adults.

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Self-Neglect: What We Can Learn From The Mary Northern Case

This chaptered DVD puts a human face on one of the most complex and important self-neglect cases of our time. Through the presentations of several expert panelists, the video delves into the tough issues of capacity and competence, and provides an informative look at the ethical, legal, social, financial, and mental health concerns involved in *servicing the best interests of vulnerable older adults*.

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Breaking Point

This provocative DVD documents the story of Nancy, a formerly abusive daughter, as she talks candidly about her repeated abuse of her invalid mother. As Nancy relates her story, a sensitive and emotional portrayal emerges. Through therapy and soul searching, Nancy eventually comes to terms with what she has done, and acquires an understanding of how the abuse might have been avoided. Provides insights which will provoke discussion and introspection.

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Charting New Waters: Responding To Violence Against Women With Disabilities

The power and control dynamics of violence make women easy targets for physical, sexual, and emotional abuse. This DVD training program effectively raises awareness of the barriers and issues faced by women with disabilities when they try to end the violence in their lives. The program provides information that can be used in staff and community education, discusses abuse indicators for women with disabilities, and teaches how to respond compassionately to victims. Includes an extensive **Training Workbook**.

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Competence With Compassion: An Abuse Prevention Training Program For Long-Term Care Staff

This field-tested, video-and-print curriculum takes a practical and engaging approach to abuse prevention in long-term care settings. The concepts are presented in a straightforward manner with an emphasis on group discussion and practice. Trainees are given the opportunity to work together to generate possible interventions based upon information and skills acquired from each module. Modules include: *What Is Abuse?*, *Why Abuse?*, and *Conflict Management*.

20 minutes DVD Plus Manual \$239 DVD Only \$139

Criminal Justice Response To Domestic Violence In Later Life

This DVD will help law enforcement professionals to communicate better with elderly abuse victims. Using a re-enactment case scenario, the DVD creates awareness of many factors specific to elder abuse, including, differences in an older person's physical body, levels of cognizance, existing medical conditions, and heightened levels of fear. The DVD also covers the various forms abuse can take—physical, verbal, and financial as well as, less obvious forms, such as, psychological and sexual. Law enforcement professionals, and other senior service providers will learn how to better communicate with and assist elderly abuse victims. Includes **Manual**.

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Elder Abuse: Five Case Studies

This DVD explores the issue of family abuse against an older adult very personally from the point of view of five different victims. Their candor in telling about their situations gives the viewer insight into the ambivalent feelings of abuse victims as they try to find resolutions to their pain. In the context of their struggle, we also see the various interventions that can be used to help stop the abuse, including counseling, shelters, supportive services, and legal action.

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Facing Diversity: Responding To Violence Against Women From Diverse Cultures

This culturally-sensitive DVD addresses the specific needs of immigrant women and women of color who are caught up in the cycle of domestic violence. It identifies many of the cultural, emotional, social, and family dynamics that prevent women from seeking help. By increasing an awareness of the issues that often contribute to the tolerance of abuse, this DVD will equip service providers to 1) communicate more effectively with abused women, and 2) help abused women understand their rights, and the supportive services available to them and their families.

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Financial Exploitation Of The Elderly

(Produced by: University of Maryland School of Medicine/Video Press)

Every year, older adults in the U.S. lose between five and ten billion dollars to con men or to exploitative family members. This DVD shows ways to identify the various forms of financial abuse of older adults—by sales people, by service providers, and by family members or “friends”—and also shows how to prevent such abuse.

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I'd Rather Be Home

Over a seven-year period, this DVD follows the case of Norman, an older man repeatedly abused by one of his adult sons living at home with him and his wife. Since Norman is unwilling to take legal action, the situation seesaws for years with Norman leaving home for short periods of time without any changes in his son's behavior. Viewers who have seen "*Elder Abuse: Five Case Studies*", will already be familiar with the opening chapters of Norman's case. This DVD reveals the subsequent events to those chapters, and opens up several issues central to dealing with elder abuse cases.

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Just To Have A Peaceful Life

Pat was married to an abusive husband for 45 years. She had five children who were also routinely abused by the husband. She left her husband three times when the children were small, only to return because of financial need. She kept hoping he would mellow as he got older, but finally left him again at age 61 only to soon return again because of health problems. She died at age 63 without ever achieving the peaceful life she longed for. Profiled in her own words, Pat's story is a powerful tool for creating awareness about family violence.



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Martha's Story: A Lifetime Of Walking On Eggshells

Touching and intensely personal, this is Martha's story of emancipation from Jim, her abusive husband of 51 years, 5 months, 3 days, and 1 hour. The DVD chronicles the gradual progression of the abuse--the control, the isolation from family and friends, the constant threats and intimidation, the public cover-up of the abuse--and finally, Martha's finding the courage to reach out for help. Martha's hindsight on her 51 years of abuse is hard won and honest, and as much a catharsis for herself as a clarion call for other abuse victims to realize that there is a way out of their abusive situations.

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Mister Nobody: A DVD Exploring Self-Neglect

Do mentally competent seniors have the right to neglect themselves and their surroundings to the extent that they endanger themselves and/or offend the community? Do government agencies have an obligation to intervene? This DVD sensitively addresses these questions by focusing on eccentric, 65-year-old Jack Huggins. Jack has lived alone in his family's house since the death of his parents. The house is crammed with discarded appliances collected from curbside garbage. Jack's neighbors complain to the Health Department, and they pay him a visit. In no other film have these legal, ethical, and human issues been addressed so clearly and poignantly.

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Serving The Victim Of Elder Abuse: A Multidisciplinary Team Approach

This DVD demonstrates how a team of professionals from diverse disciplines work together to resolve complex cases of elder abuse. Team members from the fields of mental health, adult protection, financial management, civil law, geriatric medicine, and law enforcement share their perspectives on abuse cases and offer suggestions for intervening effectively.

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The Golden Years

Three survivors of elder mistreatment take the viewer deep into the emotional nightmare of abuse: physical, financial, and psychological. Intercut with statistics about elder abuse, this DVD is a dynamic tool for introducing the topic and phenomenon of elder mistreatment in our society.

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What's Age Got To Do With It?

The abuse of women does not stop or "get better" with age - in fact, it often gets worse in later life... This DVD brings the often-overlooked issue of verbal, physical, sexual, and financial abuse against older women to the forefront. Through powerful, culturally-diverse vignettes, the DVD identifies situations that prevent older women from seeking help, including language barriers, cultural taboos, lack of economic resources, and geographic isolation. A powerful resource to help service providers recognize signs of abuse and respond more effectively to the needs of abused older women.

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When Help Was There: Four Stories Of Elder Abuse

This DVD takes an ethnically-diverse look at elder abuse. Four separate cases of either physical, emotional, or financial abuse are presented: a Hispanic mother threatened by her son, an African-American woman physically abused by her husband, an Asian couple put out on the street by their son-in-law, and a Caucasian man defrauded of possessions and bank accounts by a "friend". It also tells how each of these individuals are helped and supported by a network of services -

legal interventions, support groups, and social services.

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