

ABUSE IN LATER LIFE EDUCATION SERIES FOR ADVOCATES:

COLLABORATION- MAKING IT WORK FOR YOU

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As a Result of This Training, Participants Will Be Better Able to:

- □ Identify the benefits of collaboration
- □ Distinguish the types of collaborative groups
- □ Recognize the issues and challenges to collaboration



Benefits of Collaboration

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Why Collaborate?

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- □ Increase victim safety and offender accountability
- □ Better working relationships between agencies
- □ Improve communication with collaborative partners by understanding each other's language
- □ Increase the resources for victim/survivors of abuse in later life
- □ Create a system within the community of responding to abuse in later life

Coordinated Community Response

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 Professionals from various disciplines, including governmental entities and community-based organizations, working together to improve responses, services, and collaboration to enhance elder abuse victims safety and quality of life and holding offenders accountable

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What does Collaboration Look like?



Types of Collaboration

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 □ Multidisciplinary Teams (MDTs) or Interdisciplinary Case Review Teams (I-Team) –

MDTs or I-Teams utilize the varied backgrounds and expertise of team members to improve responses to individual cases of abuse, to explore the best options and remedies for a case and to coordinate service delivery.

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Types of Collaboration

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□ Coordinated Community Response Teams (CCR) -

CCR teams focus on improving the policies, procedures and practices of various agencies to address elder abuse while working to create a seamless response to older survivors.

CCR Teams

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CCRs – Systems Change

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- □Coordinate member efforts to create a seamless response to victims of elder abuse
- □Identify gaps in service
- □Hold members accountable







Building or Enhancing CCR teams

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- □ Philosophy and mission
- □ Policies and procedures
- □ Internal activities and functions
- □ External activities and functions
- □ Sustainability

Tips to Support Successful Collaboration

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Challenges And Sustainability

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- □ Differing purpose, mission, and goals (systems change)
- □ Target populations addressed
- □ Changing membership
- □ Structure
- □ Communication and confidentiality

CCR Teams Continued

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Summary

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- □ Collaboration is complex and benefits not only the victim but also the agencies and communities involved.
- ☐ There are different types of collaboration that accomplish different goals.
- □ We can always build on and improve our work by working together.
- □ No one agency or individual alone can address all the aspects of responding to abuse in later life.

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