

# Preventing and Responding to Violence Against Older Women

## About this course

In this self-paced module the specific needs, and survivor-centred responses required to better support older women who have experienced violence will be explored. Understanding legislation, barriers, risk assessment and communication have different implications when working with older women. As Ontario's population ages, our VAW programs and services need to move towards age-friendly models. Various tools, resources and scenarios will be used to support your learning and knowledge development. This course was developed in collaboration with Elder Abuse Ontario.

## You will learn

1. Types of Abuse Older Women Experience
2. Barriers for Older Women When Accessing Services
3. Understanding Legislation Impacting Older Women
4. About Risk Assessment Tools
5. Communication Strategies for working with Older Women

## After completion you will be able to

1. Know the physical and emotional signs associated with abuse in older women.
2. How to build a therapeutic relationship with older women.
3. How to choose the most appropriate risk assessment tools.
4. Increased ability to effectively communicate with older women.
5. Knowledge of the barriers to disclosure of abuse in older women and how to circumvent this.

## How do I register?

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