Who is VCPEA?

The Virginia Coalition for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, Inc. (VCPEA) is a non-profit, all-volunteer coalition of individuals and agency representatives committed to improving the lives of older Virginians and Virginians with a disability. Our Board of Directors represents a variety of organizations and professions. service providers. We are practitioners, educators, emergency services, and trainers. We represent the areas of law enforcement, social services, community mental health, academic programs, programs for the aging, state and local government, emergency services, and legal advocacy.

Connect with VCPEA and work with others to assure that older Virginians and adults with a disability in Virginia live a life free of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

No membership is required to become an active participant in the effort to ensure the rights and safety of vulnerable adults in Virginia.

Older Virginians deserve a lite free of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

Our Mission

Virginia Coalition for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, Inc. (VCPEA) is a coalition of individuals and organizations working cooperatively through public awareness, advocacy, and education to assure older Virginians live a life free of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

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Spot the Signs

To report suspected abuse, neglect, or exploitation, call the 24-hour hotline at 888-832-3858

- Unexplained burns, welts, scratches, bruises, fractures, dislocations, sores, or sprains
- Lacks needed dentures, glasses, hearing aids or medication
- Lacks needed supervision
- Malnourishment
- Mistrust of others, withdrawn from normal activities
- Personal belongings missing
- Property or savings mismanaged
- Severe anxiety, fearfulness, depression
- Sudden or frequent changes in will or power of attorney or property transfers that the adult is unable to comprehend
- Unpaid bills
- Home cluttered, filthy, in disrepair, has fire or safety hazards
- Untreated medical conditions
- Lack of basic hygiene, adequate food, or clean and appropriate clothing
- Person confined to bed is left without care
- Caregiver isolates adult or fails to provide for adult's needs
- Caregiver is verbally aggressive or demeaning, controlling, overly concerned about spending money, or uncaring
- Unexplained sexually transmitted diseases



See it. Stop It. Prevent It.

Work with VCPEA to assure that seniors and adults with a disability in Virginia live free of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

- Board of Directors
- Annual Conference Committee
- Finance Committee
- Executive Committee
- Sponsorships
- Donations



Help us continue assuring older Virginians live free of abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

VCPEA is a 501c3 organization under the federal tax code and is also registered with Virginia's Office of Consumer Affairs.

Education & Awareness

Since 1993, VCPEA has been a leader in promoting awareness, training, and education on behalf of Virginia's abused, neglected, or exploited adults.

Annual Conference

The annual VCPEA conference is the state of Virginia's only conference that focuses solely on the prevention of elder abuse. Conference is held annually in May.

Public Awareness

VCPEA shares educational resources about adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation. Information is available for download on our website. There is also free, online training for mandated reporters of adult abuse. ADS5055 Mandated Reporters: Recognizing and Reporting Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation of Adults, visit https://www.dss. virginia.gov

TAPAS Grants

VCPEA has funding to support local, regional, and statewide training and professional awareness events that directly address the problems of elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation in Virginia. Eligible applicants include any Virginia-based nonprofit organization, unit of local or state government, regional authority, or advocacy organization with mission statements, programs, or mandates that are consistent with the mission of the VCPEA