DON’T MISS THE SIGNS

PHYSICAL ABUSE
- Bruises, black eyes, welts
- Broken bones, cuts, sprains
- Sudden change in behavior
- Caregiver refusal to leave elder or dependent adult alone

NEGLECT / SELF-NEGLECT
- Lack of adequate food and water
- Dirty clothing and changes in personal hygiene
- Unusually messy home
- Lack of medical aids or medication

MENTAL ABUSE
- Threatening significant physical harm
- Derogatory or inappropriate names, insults, profanity, or ridicule
- Harassment, coercion, intimidation, humiliation

FINANCIAL ABUSE
- Basic needs not being met
- Bills not paid
- New credit cards and increased cash withdrawals
- Unusual purchases by caregiver

SEXUAL ABUSE
- Unusual bruising on thighs and chest
- Unexplained sexually transmitted diseases
- Unusual stains on clothing or sheets
- Withdrawn from social interactions / panic attacks