Addressing Elder Mistreatment

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Imagine a world where every older adult is screened for elder abuse and neglect... and none is found.
Elder Mistreatment

- Physical
- Psychological
- Sexual abuse or neglect
- Financial exploitation

Consequences of Elder Mistreatment

- Increased risk of nursing home placement
- Mortality
- Premature hospitalization and emergency department utilization
- Physical and psychological harms
One in 10 older Americans experience some form of abuse annually.

Up to 23% have experienced physical abuse and up to 62% have experienced psychological abuse.

More than 3 million older adults have already experienced some form of abuse.
Partnership to Address Elder Mistreatment

- **Two National Funders**
  1) The John A. Hartford Foundation
  2) The Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation

- **One Local Funder**
  1) Plough Foundation (Memphis, TN)

- **Shared Resources and Expertise**
ELDER ABUSE
IDENTIFICATION, ASSESSMENT & RESPONSE

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BAPTIST MEMORIAL HEALTH CARE COORDINATED RESPONSE TO ELDER ABUSE (CREA) FUNDED BY THE PLOUGH FOUNDATION
Overview

- CREA Collaborative
- Expert Collaborative
- Trainings/Pilot
- Outcomes
Curriculum Overview

Part I: Identification & Assessment
Part II: Capacity & Competency
Part III: Abuse Intervention Model
Part IV: Response
LOCAL IMPLEMENTATION

- Baptist Memorial Healthcare
- CREA Collaborative Project
- Shelby County Elder Abuse Training Curriculum Committee
National Collaboratory to Address Elder Mistreatment

Elder Mistreatment Emergency Department Care Model
The National Collaboratory to Address Elder Mistreatment

Goals:

1. Convene national experts
2. Define opportunities and barriers to addressing elder mistreatment in clinical settings
3. Design and prototype an effective, pragmatic and sustainable model for addressing elder mistreatment in emergency departments
Elder Mistreatment Care Model
Core Elements and Actions: Overview

**ELEMENTS**

1. Elder Mistreatment Emergency Department Assessment Profile
   - Elder Adult Patient
   - Clinical Site Champion
   - Clinical ED Staff (MD, PA, NP, RN)
   - Adult Protection & Community Partners

2. Emergency Department Training
   - Older Adult Patient
   - Clinical Site Champion
   - Clinical ED Staff (MD, PA, NP, RN)
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**ACTIONS**

3. Screening & Response
   - 60+ year-old patient enters emergency department

4. Follow-up
   - 60+ year-old patient enters emergency department
## Core Elements

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| Elder Mistreatment Emergency Department Assessment Profile | 20-question/10 Minute online assessment tool  
Helps assess current practices, define areas of greatest challenge and opportunity, and drive practice and systems change. |
| Training | Customized elder mistreatment training  
Administrators (~30 mins), champions/specialists (8-16 hours), and front line healthcare workers (60-90 mins). Includes information on elder mistreatment epidemiology and how to screen and respond. |
| Screening & Response | Algorithmic screening\(^1\) and response tools  
These tools are designed to help clinicians identify patients at risk for mistreatment, make appropriate reports, and develop safety and discharge plans. |
| Follow up | Recommendations for following up with patients  
Includes toolkit for developing community connections to help with follow-up. |

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What’s Next?

• Selection of sites to pilot the care model

• Implementation and feasibility testing

• Preparing for national dissemination
Thank You!