

# NURSING HOME ABUSE TOP 6 SIGNS

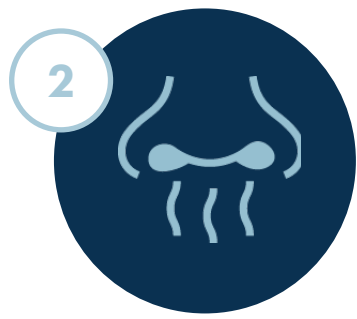


IF WE ARE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO MAKE IT TO OUR GOLDEN YEARS, our health becomes a primary concern. Taking care of our senior citizens is a crucial part of healthcare. Nursing homes and the healthcare professionals they employ are required to both care for and protect their residents. If they fail to do so and cause injury to your loved one as a result, you should hold them accountable. Here are 6 of the top signs of nursing home abuse to be aware of.



## Physical Marks

Bedsore,bruises, abrasions, cuts, burns, broken bones, and other signs of physical trauma;



## Poor Hygiene

Soiled clothes, strong body odor, fecal or urine odor;



## Weight Changes

Weight loss, malnourishment, or dehydration;



## Mood Changes

Sudden social withdrawal, confusion, depression and tension or fear around caregivers;



## Non-physical Abuse

Abusive language or intimidation tactics including delaying meals and medication;



## Theft

Missing cash, sudden changes in finances and transfers of money without an explanation.



## WHAT TO DO

Nursing home abuse victims often misstate their complaints or suffer in silence and never make a complaint. **Be alert to changes in a senior's personality or behavior.** Even if you can't prove abuse or identify who is responsible—you should report your suspicions.



## PURSUE COMPENSATION

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