

# NATIONAL TRENDS IN COMBATTING ELDER FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION

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# Elder Financial Exploitation (EFE): Common Issues Across States

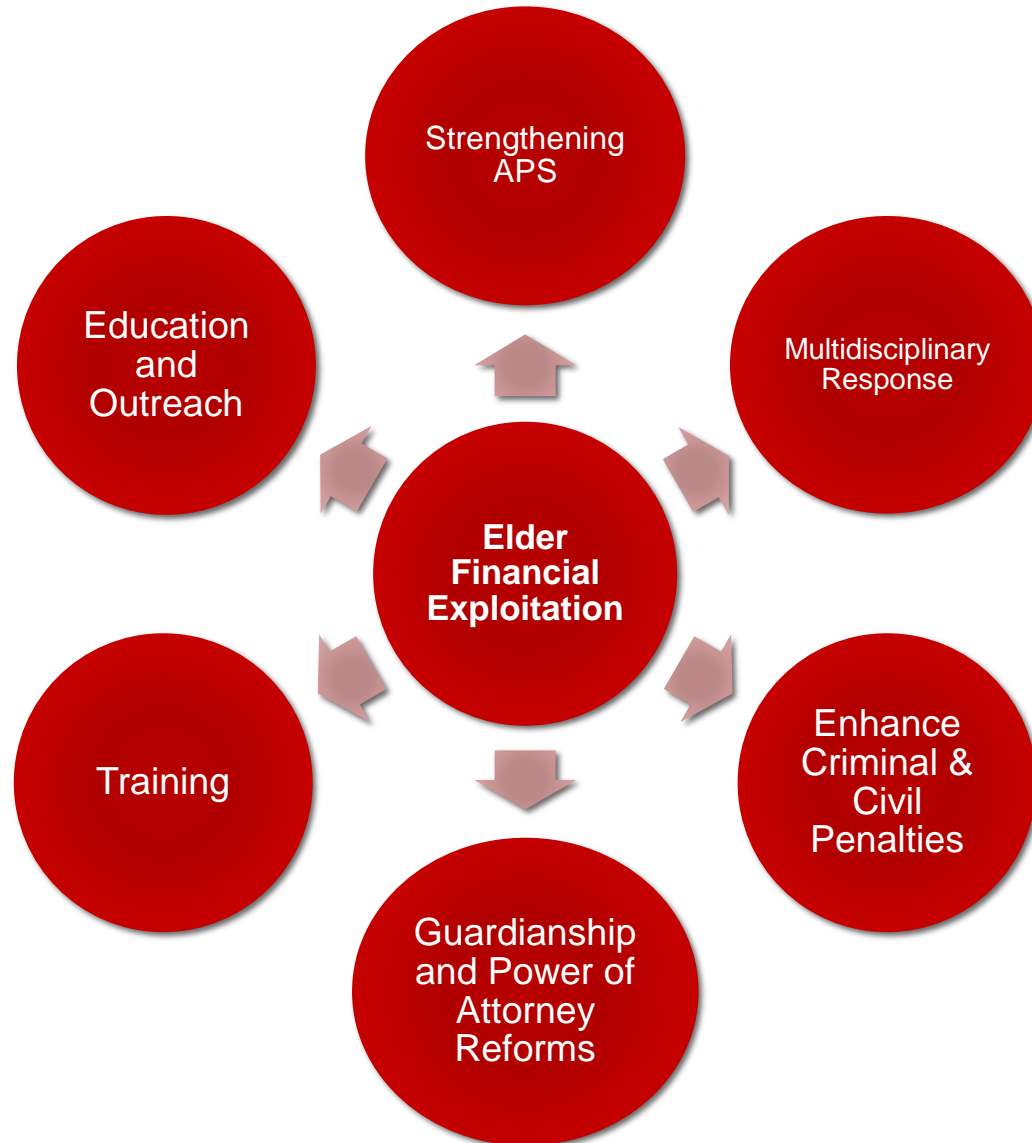
- Caregiving
- Typically a bi-partisan issue that stretches across all branches of government
- Issue isn't "hot"...UNLESS there's a crisis or tragedy
- Broad issue with many tentacles
- No One-Size-Fits-All Solution
- Lack of Data and Research
- Overlap with other vulnerable adult issues, like guardianship
- Policy wonks aren't necessarily the same as on the ground/frontline workers and vice versa



# Current Trends in Combatting EFE

- More collaboration/taskforces/multidisciplinary teams
- State Courts are taking on a more active role (ex. WINGS)
- Adult guardianship oversight/monitoring reforms to prevent abuse/exploitation
- Increase in Training, Education and Outreach for ALL
- Increase in Federal involvement

# Combating Elder Financial Exploitation



# Coming Soon to a State Near You

- States are identifying and addressing overlapping issues
- New Uniform Act on Guardianship
  - Person Centered Approach
  - Alternatives to guardianship
  - Standards for Professional Guardians
- More ongoing Taskforces and WINGS
- More Resources for Fiduciaries
  - AARP Texas Guides
  - AARP Alabama Guide for POAs



# AARP Resources

- AARP in your state: [www.aarp.org/states/](http://www.aarp.org/states/)
- BankSafe: [banksafe@aarp.org](mailto:banksafe@aarp.org)
- Caregiving Resources: [www.aarp.org/caregiving](http://www.aarp.org/caregiving)
- Fraud Education: [www.aarp.org/fraudwatch](http://www.aarp.org/fraudwatch)
- Managing Someone Else's Money in Texas: <https://protecttheirmoneytx.org>

# Additional Resources

- American Bar Association Commission on Law and Aging
- National Adult Protective Services Association
- National Association of Attorneys General
- National Center for State Courts
- National Center on Elder Abuse
- National Council of Insurance Legislators
- National Council of Probate Judges
- National Guardianship Association
- Uniform Law Commission
- U.S. Department of Justice, Elder Justice Initiative





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