

PREVENTING ABUSE

- Whether you are living in a private home or an institution, know your rights and ask for advice.
- Consider a **power of attorney** for your finances, should you ever become dependent.
- Check with a lawyer or public trustee before signing a power of attorney.
- Familiarize yourself with your financial situation and use caution if lending money to others.
- Have your pension cheques deposited directly into your bank account.
- Be cautious about who you permit to reside in your home – especially those with drug, alcohol, financial or psychological problems.
- Be aware of available services – housekeeping, meals-on-wheels, transportation etc.
- For emotional support contact:
**The Distress Centre at
(416) 408-HELP (4357)**
- To report Elder Abuse please call:
**Senior Crime Stoppers at
(416) 222-TIPS**

CRIME PREVENTION

Toronto Police Service



**EMERGENCY
9-1-1**

**Police Non-Emergency
416-808-2222**

For more information on
ELDER ABUSE - please
contact the Crime
Prevention Officer at your
local Police Division.

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