14th Annual Conference of the National Association of Adult Protective Services Administrators (NAAPSA)

Elder Abuse Staff attended the 14th Annual NAAPSA Conference, October 8-10, 2003, in Chicago. The conference, co-sponsored by the Department, was attended by Adult Protective Services Administrators throughout the country.

Training for Health Care Providers

In FY 2004 the Department contracted with Alexander Consulting to develop a training for health care providers. Six Train-the-Trainer presentations were offered to caseworkers, throughout the state, on how to train health care professionals on detecting and reporting elder abuse.
### Illinois Elder Abuse

**2004 Data**

#### Number of Elder Abuse Reports

- Total reports in FY 2004: 8,359
- Increase of 8.9% from FY 2003

#### Source of Reports

- Social worker: 37%
- Self: 25%
- Medical personnel: 7%
- Others: 25%

#### Sex of Victims by Abuse Type

- Female: 71%
- Male: 29%

#### Leading Abuse Indicators

- Behavior or Actions of Abuser: 93%
- Abuser Controls Finances: 26%
- Inadequate Physical or Medical Care: 26%
- Unusual Financial Transactions: 26%
- Statements of Elder: 31%
- Unexplained Financial Discretion-making: 21%
- Violent Actions Against Elder Victim: 20%

#### Sex of Abusers by Abuse Type

- Fifty-two percent of abusers were male and 48% were female.

#### Abuser's Relationship to Victim by Abuse Type

- Spouse: 22%
- Child: 22%
- Relative: 14%
- Other: 36%

#### Victim and Abusers Services

- Home Health/Home Care: 13%
- Central Legal: 10%
- Financial Assistance: 10%
- Mental Health/Substance Abuse: 11%
- Income Material Support: 1%
- Supervision: 1%

#### Leading Barriers of Victims

- Functionally Impaired: 15%
- Living with abuser(s): 36%
- Cognitive Impaired: 36%
- Hearing: 18%
- Vision: 16%
- Non-ambulatory: 16%
- Emotional Issues: 31%
- Inadequate Social Support: 19%

#### Age of Victims

- Over one in four victims are age 86 or older.