Vicims generally experience more than one type of abuse, e.g., financial exploitation is the type of abuse reported most frequently (58% of reports), and is highly associated with emotional abuse, reported in 45% of cases.

In some cases services for the abuser are also obtained, including mental health services, representative payee; having the person change or execute a new power of attorney for counseling. Legal interventions might include an order of protection; obtaining a new power of attorney for financial and/or health care decisions; or assisting the client in obtaining other legal remedies. In some cases services for the abuser are also obtained, including mental health services, substance abuse, job placement or other services related to their presenting problems.

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26% of cases were reported by social workers or medical personnel. Family members were responsible for 20% percent of all reports, and victims self-reported in 9% of all cases. Self reports were most likely to occur in physical, sexual, emotional and financial exploitation cases. Older persons most often needed others to report for them in cases of neglect and willful deprivation.

In 76% of the cases in which abuse is substantiated the victim consents to services. Services might include in-home care; adult day care; respite; health services; and services such as counseling. Legal interventions might include an order of protection; obtaining a representative payee; having the person change or execute a new power of attorney for financial and/or health care decisions; or assisting the client in obtaining other legal remedies. In some cases services for the abuser are also obtained, including mental health services, substance abuse, job placement or other services related to their presenting problems.

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