Preventing Elder Abuse

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The Knowledge Gap

We do not have a single, evidence-based intervention for elder mistreatment of any kind, and those few interventions that have been rigorously evaluated using controlled designs have found negative consequences for victims.
Unintended Negative Outcomes

- Screening
- Mandatory Reporting
- Adult Protective Services
Promising Interventions

- Caregiver interventions
- Financial management
- Helplines for potential victims
- Emergency shelter
- Multidisciplinary team approaches