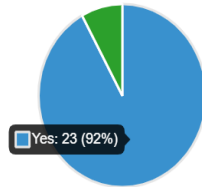


LOCAL COORDINATING COUNCIL DATA COLLECTION SURVEY

1. Do you think that collecting data about elder abuse and prevention efforts would be beneficial to your Local Coordinating Council on Elder Abuse?

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Yes	23
No	0
Unsure	2



"I think it is important to have the data referenced above so we can share information about prevention efforts in other regions - this helps generate ideas for our council. Also, when we have awareness events or provide printed materials to seniors, it is always helpful to include some numbers and statistical data about this issue so seniors/professionals can have a better understanding of the prevalence of elder abuse (regardless of the fact it is under-reported)."

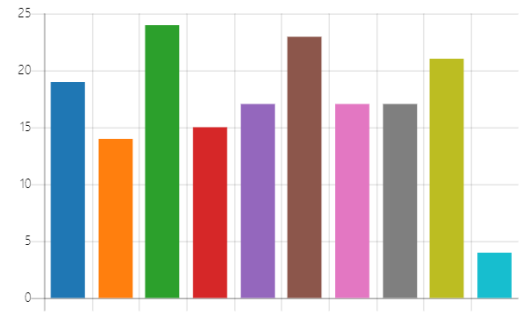
Other Suggestions:

- "Convictions"
- "Location of Incident (residence, nursing home, etc.)"
- "Arrest (Yes or No)"
- "Protective Order (Yes or No)"
- "Agency coordination"

3. What kind of data do you think would be most beneficial? (select all that apply)

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Age of Victim	19
Race of Victim	14
Type of Maltreatment	24
Type of Referral Source	15
Age of Perpetrator	17
Relationship of Perpetrator to ...	23
Gender of Victim	17
Gender of Perpetrator	17
County of Residence for Victim	21
Other	4



4. Once data is available, how would you like it to be made available to Local Coordinating Councils? (Select all that apply)

[More Details](#)

In the Newsletter	10
Raw Data	12
Analysis of Data	18
Other	2



Other Suggestions:

- "data kept in CSV format with cross reference"
- "dash board"

"Utilization of data during pandemic may not be true indicator of use in the future"

"Perhaps a trial would allow to see if too time and labor intensive to collect a distribute data"

"I think this data will be extremely helpful in targeting underserved areas and populations"

"Quantitative and qualitative research should be done to ensure well rounded data"

"this is absolutely essential when it comes to advocating for any kind of legislative change as well as for request for funding"

"Any and all data will be helpful."

"I definitely think it would be very beneficial to the efforts of the councils."

"All branches of local law enforcement need to be involved"

"This should be compared to national data"



Do you know someone that has done wonderful things to help prevent elder abuse in Kentucky? Do you know someone that has gone above and beyond to help support Kentucky's vulnerable adults? We would love to recognize these Heroes. Please send nominations to cliff.bryant@ky.gov.

HELLO!



MEET THE TEAM

The Eastern Mountain Service Region serves Breathitt, Floyd, Johnson, Knott, Lee, Leslie, Letcher, Magoffin, Martin, Owsley, Perry, Pike and Wolfe counties. This region has a designated Adult Protective Services teams. A Family Service Office Supervisor (FSOS) leads the team.



Here are your FSOS, Office Support Assistant, and Social Service Worker/ Clinicians for the Eastern Mountain Service Region along with their office telephone numbers.

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What is an APS investigation?

KRS 209.020 states that an investigation shall include a personal interview with the alleged victim, an assessment of individual and environmental risk and safety factors and the identification of the perpetrator (if possible).

Barring a determination of an emergency situation by central intake, the social worker will do their best to initiate the referral within forty-eight (48) hours. Initiation is considered a face to face interview with the alleged victim. This initiation can occur at any location (home, hospital, adult day health, etc.). During this initiation the social worker is going to start assessing the victim for cognitive capacity as well as risk and safety factors that may need to be addressed.

After initiating the report the social worker may talk with collaterals (friends, family, and professionals) to gain additional insights into the victim's current situation. These conversations may appear one sided as the worker may not be able to release much information because of confidentiality laws, but understand that the more information that a collateral provides the more thorough the assessment.

Another step typically taken during the investigation is the collection of records from medical providers, financial institutions and other agencies as needed to strengthen the assessment. These records are gathered as the fact finding piece of the investigation.

After gathering all the necessary information, the social worker will offer protective services to the adult to assist with addressing any risk and safety factors. Protective services are voluntary and cannot be forced upon an adult unless through court order (court action will be discussed in the months ahead). If the protective services are short term, like making referrals, these tasks are completed prior to case closure (typically within 45 days of receipt of the referral). If long term services are needed, the social worker and the adult may negotiate opening a case. Remember that if the adult has cognitive capacity they retain the right to accept or refuse services.

Although a finding of substantiated or unsubstantiated will be made through an investigation, the primary focus of the social worker is to assess the situation and offer protective services. In cases that involve compensated caregivers a secondary focus will be gathering and presenting evidence for consideration of placement on the caregiver misconduct registry.

Next month we will take a look at caregiver misconduct registry cases and their unique role in the protection of adults in Kentucky.

RESOURCES

Violence Prevention Resources

[CHFS](#)

Kentucky Coalition Against Domestic Violence

[Resources](#)

National Center of Elder Abuse

[Publications](#)

Mandated Reporting—Pro's and Con's

[Brief](#)

Communicating with people with limited English proficiency

[Fact Sheet](#)

Did you hear about the man who
invented the knock-knock joke?
He won a No Bell Prize!

TRAINING

On-Demand Training

Understanding Trauma and Ensuring Person-Centered Care during the COVID-19 Pandemic

<https://consumervoice.mrooms.net/course/index.php?categoryid=10>

10/28/20 at 2pm ET

"An Intersectional and Multi-Disciplinary Look at Elder Maltreatment and the African American Community: Sharing New Resources and Strategies for Impact."

Register here —> [Zoom Meeting](#)

11/6/2020 1:00-3:00pm

UK Senior Caregiving Conference

<https://www.uky.edu/hr/caregiving2020>