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Protecting Elders from Financial Exploitation

1. Which of the following is considered to be a type of elder abuse?

A. Neglect
B. Abandonment
C. Material Exploitation
D. All of the above

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2. Financial exploitation often occurs in relationships where the vulnerable person has placed his or her trust and confidence in another person.

A. TRUE
B. FALSE

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3. The primary agencies that investigate reports of suspected elder financial exploitation are Adult Protective Services (APS), licensing agencies, law enforcement, and the long-term care ombudsman.

A. TRUE
B. FALSE

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4. Which of the following statements is most accurate?

A. State law specifies whether an alleged victim meets the definition of an adult eligible for protective services.
B. Federal law specifies whether an alleged victim meets the definition of an adult eligible for protective services.
C. APS policies specify whether an alleged victim meets the definition of an adult eligible for protective services.
D. All adults are automatically eligible for protective services.

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5. Which of the following may be considered a warning sign of financial exploitation?

A. An older adult reports a missing checkbook
B. An older adult becomes secretive and suddenly starts hiding possessions
C. An older adult is agitated or distraught prior to or after a family member visits
D. All of the above

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6. Federal law requires nursing home providers to report suspected crimes against a resident to local law enforcement.

A. TRUE
B. FALSE

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7. During an investigation of suspected financial exploitation, the ombudsman?s role is to respond directly to the resident and to act on behalf of residents.

A. TRUE
B. FALSE

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8. Which of the following statements is most accurate?

A. When reporting financial exploitation it is important to remember that you are reporting a reasonable suspicion.
B. When reporting financial exploitation it is important to remember that you are investigating a crime.
C. When reporting financial exploitation it is not important to include dates of the incident(s).
D. When reporting financial exploitation it is not important to disclose signs of any other type of abuse or neglect.

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9. Health care professionals must present a discharge notice to protective services when reporting financial exploitation.

A. TRUE
B. FALSE

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10. The organization you work for organizes a team of health care professionals to develop staff education programs. You are included on the team. Your responsibility is to select topics for an in-service training regarding financial exploitation. Which of the following topics may be appropriate for your organization's in-service?

A. Overview of financial crimes
B. Provider?s policies prohibiting accepting money and loans from residents
C. The role of the compliance officer
D. All of the above

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11. Upon admission into a facility, older adults should be given information regarding policies and procedures for receiving and handling cash from residents and family members to help prevent financial exploitation.

A. TRUE
B. FALSE

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12. A health care professional has recently joined a team that is developing a community network focused on the financial exploitation of older adults. What benefits should the health care professional expect from the network?

A. Improved responses to cases of financial exploitation
B. A decrease in reported cases of suspected financial exploitation
C. An increase in reported cases of suspected financial exploitation
D. Both A and C

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13. Which of the following statements is most accurate?

A. Financial abuse specialist teams do not typically provide consultation and support to local law enforcement.
B. Financial abuse specialist teams do not typically provide consultation and support to long-term care ombudsmen.
C. Elder abuse forensic centers require that health care professionals and local law enforcement work independently to review cases of older adult abuse.
D. Elder abuse forensic centers bring together professionals in criminal justice, healthcare, and social services to review cases of abuse.

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14. Triads provide coordination between law enforcement, elder service professionals, and older community members in order to promote crime awareness and prevention.

A. TRUE
B. FALSE

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15. Network coordinators may be responsible for which of the following?

A. Recruiting members
B. Developing network goals
C. Scheduling
D. All of the above

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