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## **Abuse of Venerable Adults**

What is elder abuse?

- Physical abuse- the deliberate infliction of physical pain or injury or unreasonable confinement.
- Material abuse- the improper or unauthorized use of property or financial resources.
- Neglect- a caregiver's failure or inability to provide adequate food, shelter, clothing, medical or dental care.
- Self-neglect- a person's failure or inability to provide adequate food, shelter, clothing, medical or dental care for themselves.

See Wisconsin State Statute [940.285](#).