



Sexual Abuse

Sexual abuse includes rape, molestation and non-consensual sexual contact. It also includes any sexual conduct with those who are mentally impaired and are not able to agree or understand.

Victims

- Usually women
- Isolated individuals
- Those who are weak
- The mentally impaired

Attackers

- Attendants
- Care facility employees
- Family members
- Spouses
- Others

Signs of Abuse

- Bruises (external genitalia or inner thighs)
- Genital or anal pain, irritation and/or bleeding
- Injuries
- Sexually transmitted diseases
- Torn, bloody or stained underclothing
- Trouble walking or sitting

Behavioral Changes

- Aggressive sexual behavior
- Inappropriate relationship between victim and suspect
- Inappropriate sexual behavior
- Unusual sexual behavior

Source: *The National Committee for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (NCPEA)*
<http://www.preventelderabuse.org/index.html>

