

What is Adult Abuse?

Adult Abuse: Any **action causing harm** to another. Abuse may be:

- Financial
- Physical
- Sexual
- Psychological

Neglect: The failure to provide necessary care, assistance, or attention that causes serious physical, mental or emotional harm, or damage to or loss of assets.

Self-Neglect: Any failure to care for one's self that causes serious physical or mental harm, or damage to or loss of assets.

Visit www.bccrns.ca for complete definitions of adult abuse, neglect, self-neglect.



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Community Response Networks
Stopping Adult Abuse and Neglect ...Together.

BC CRN is a provincial umbrella organization that supports local community response networks (CRNs) who coordinate responses for adults who may be experiencing or impacted by adult abuse, neglect, or self-neglect.

Our Vision

Safe communities where adults are valued, respected, and free from abuse and neglect.

Our Mission

To empower communities and individuals through coordination, collaboration, and relationship building to stop adult abuse and neglect.

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Programs

It's Not Right! (INR)
&
Gatekeeper

***It's Not Right!* Neighbours, Friends & Families**

Representing the very best collective thinking in Canada for public education on abuse and neglect of older adults, *It's Not Right!* was originally developed by The Centre for Research & Education on Violence against Women & Children (CREVAWC) at the University of Western Ontario.

BC CRN is the authorized provider of this program in British Columbia.

An *It's Not Right!* workshop/presentation consists of short videos interspersed with discussion.

Let's talk about ageism, the signs and risks factors of senior abuse, and keeping each other safe.

This program is for anyone in the community who wants to learn more about adult abuse and neglect, and the small, practical steps one can take to help.

Gatekeeper

Gatekeeper is considered a best practice for identifying vulnerable adults, and connecting them to critical community services.

Originally created by a Ray Raschko, a social worker in Spokane, WA in 1978, this program has since been adapted by organizations all over the world.

Gatekeeper is a presentation or workshop that encourages discussion. All participants receive a reference manual.

In this workshop, learn the signs of abuse and neglect, and how to **correctly refer individuals to the appropriate agency.**

This program is for anyone who is in **regular** contact with seniors or vulnerable adults as part of their daily routines, activities, or work.

Booking Your Presentation or Workshop

Contact your local Community Response Network (CRN) to book *It's Not Right!* or Gatekeeper for your group or organization.

CRN contact information can be found at:

www.bccrns.ca → Find a CRN → Choose a Community.

Both programs are free of charge. (We strive to work with communities to address adult and abuse together, and do not want cost to be a barrier.)

We will work with you to organize your session and provide all materials, also at no cost to you.

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