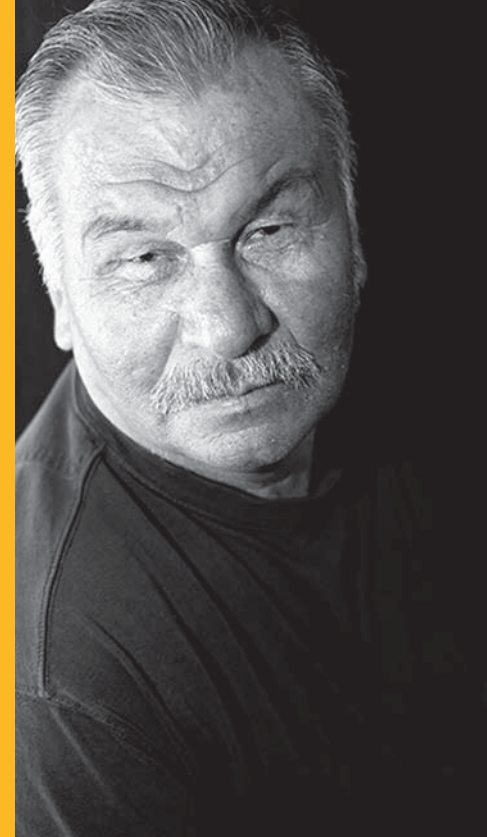


Violence against older persons takes many forms.



There are many older adults in Newfoundland and Labrador who experience violence and abuse. This includes physical, emotional and sexual violence as well as neglect and financial abuse.

Physical Violence

Physical violence could be a hit, a slap, a shove or any rough treatment. It can be a threat of physical force. It can also be inappropriate use of medication or restraints.



Emotional Violence

Emotional violence includes name-calling, intimidation, threats, yelling, ignoring, or socially isolating the older person. It can include treating the older adult “like a child”. It often includes trying to control a situation by making decisions for the older adult.

Sexual Violence

Sexual violence refers to sexual contact without the person’s consent and includes fondling, touching, and other forms of assault. It also includes unwelcome sexual comments or jokes, or leering. Pressuring somebody for intimacy is also a type of sexual violence.

Neglect

Neglect refers to situations where a person has a responsibility to provide care or assistance to an older person, but does not. Not paying the bills, providing food, shelter or clean clothes are all examples of neglect.



Financial Abuse

Financial abuse involves illegally or improperly using a person’s money, assets, or property.



We all make
choices
everyday.

Some choices
we make can
be harmful and
violate people's
rights.

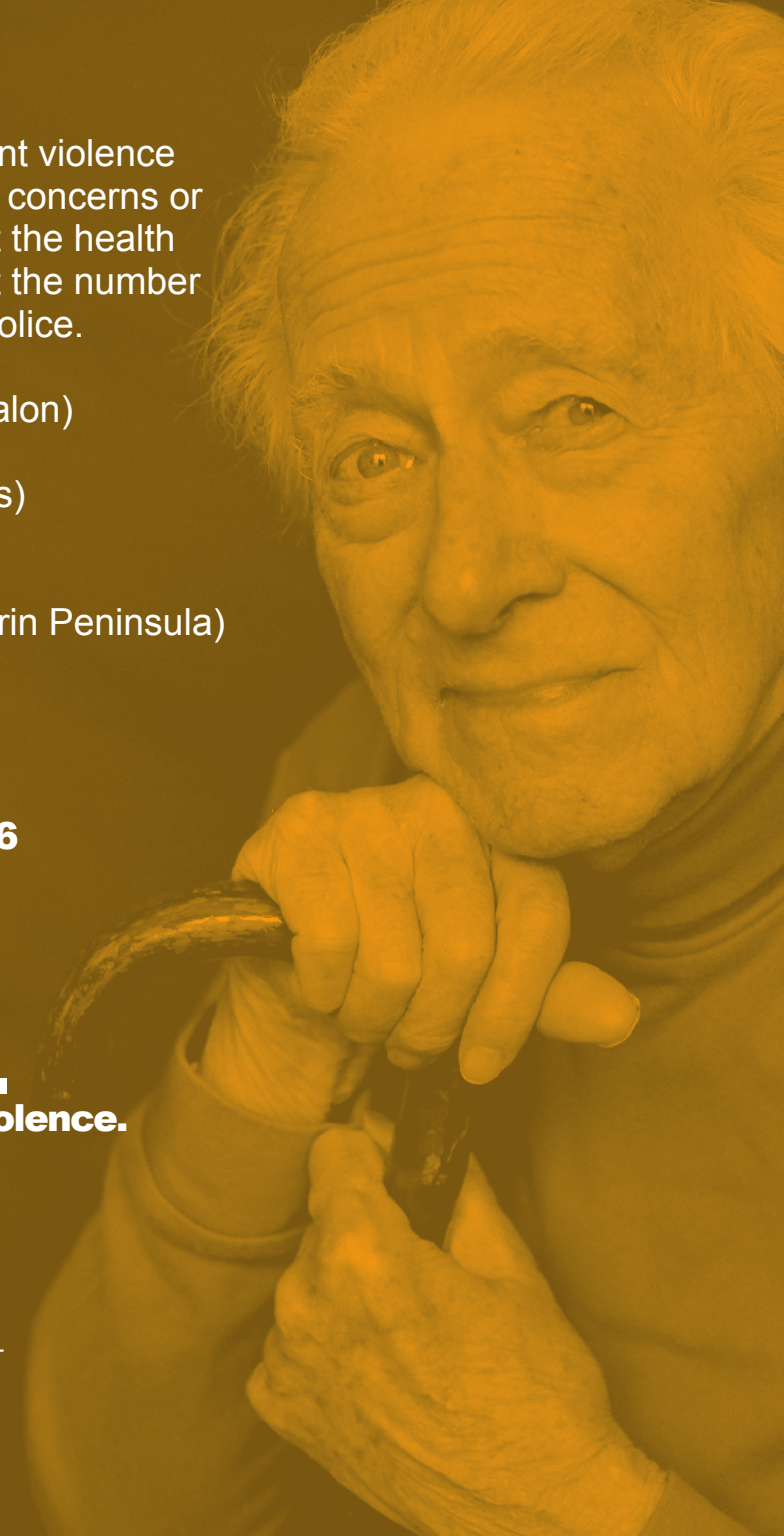
Make the choice to prevent violence
and to stop it. If you have concerns or
questions, please contact the health
authority in your region at the number
below, or call your local police.

Eastern Health (Rural Avalon)
709-786-5245
Eastern Health (St. John's)
709-752-4885
Eastern Health
(Bonaville/Clareville/Burin Peninsula)
709-466-5707
Central Health
709-651-6340
Western Health
709-634-5551-ext 226
Labrador-Grenfell Health
709-454-0372

It is your choice to

Reach out.
Take action against violence.

Newfoundland
Labrador



**A warm hug
or forceful
shove...**

**Which would
you choose
for her?**