

Integrated model of care for responding to suspected elder abuse

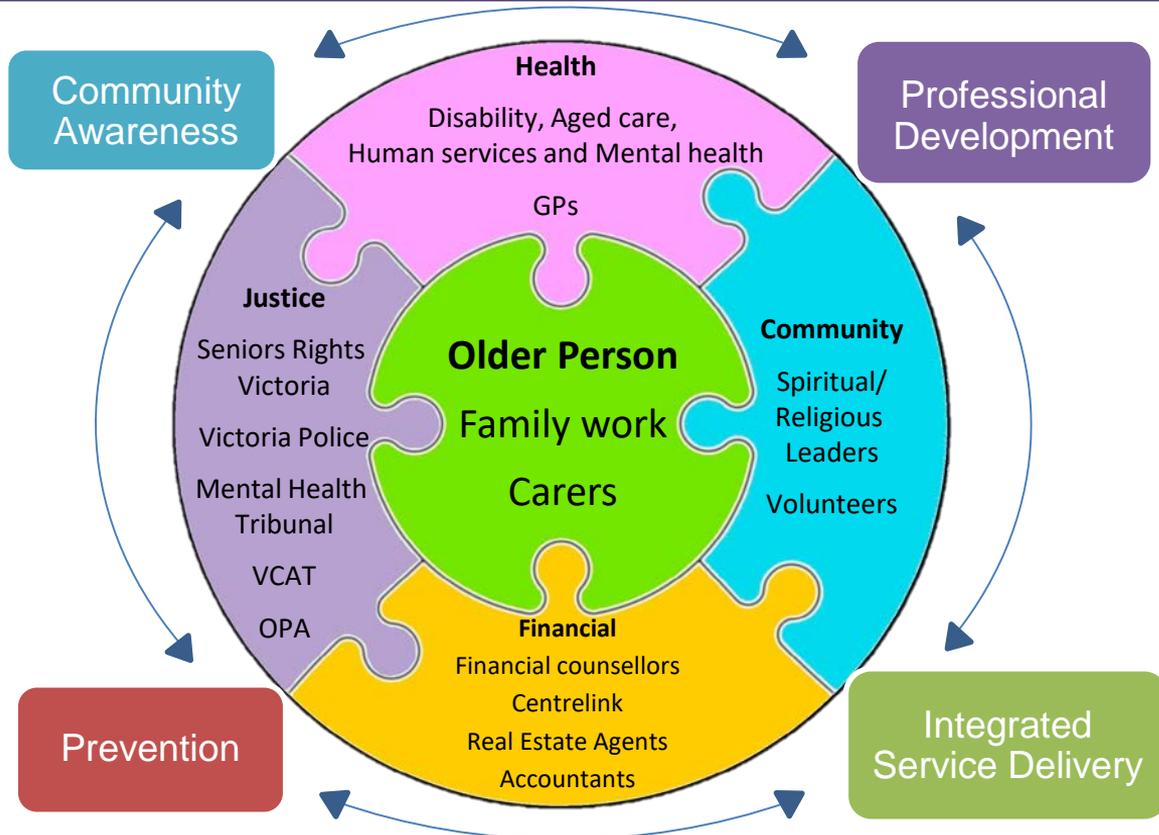
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Overview

- Victorian elder abuse prevention and response framework
- Victorian Royal Commission into Family Violence
- Integrated model of care for responding to suspected elder abuse
- Broader family violence reform agenda
- Comments and questions

Elder Abuse Prevention and Response Framework



What did the Victorian Royal Commission into Family Violence report?

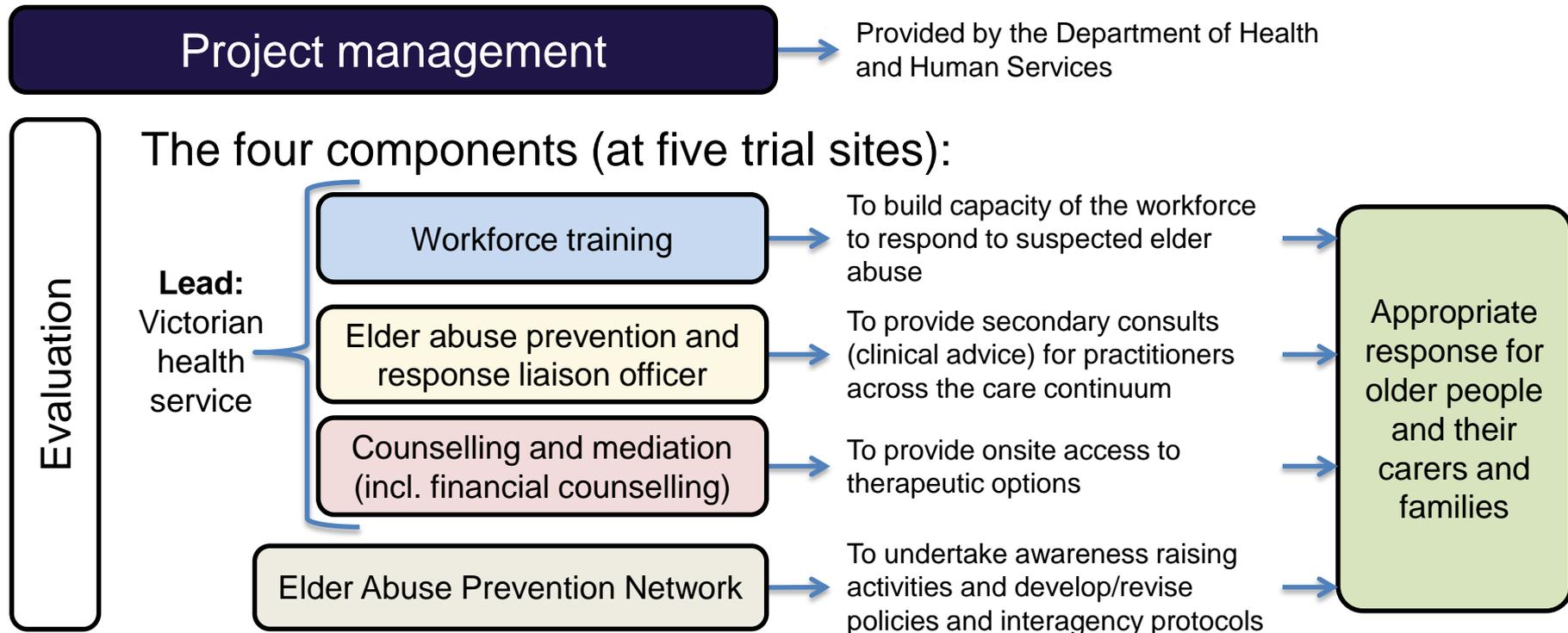


- **Elder abuse is a form of family violence**
- Family violence against older people tends to be under-reported.
- The unique dynamics of elder abuse require a different approach.
- Most existing family violence services and perpetrator interventions are not geared towards these unique dynamics.
- A significant lack of understanding creates missed opportunities to intervene and provide support.
- Responses should be sensitive to choices about family relationships.
- Aged care and hospitals play an important role in identifying, reporting and preventing elder abuse.
- Importance of training health and other professionals about elder abuse and of improving collaboration between sectors.

Objectives of the model

- To provide greater community and professional awareness of elder abuse as a form of **family violence**
- To create multiple entry points for older people and their families and carers to access support
- To strengthen responses for older people that are sensitive to their choices about family relationships, preventing family breakdown
- To build the capacity of professionals to respond to suspected elder abuse and provide greater awareness of reporting processes
- To strengthen governance and partnership responses to suspected elder abuse

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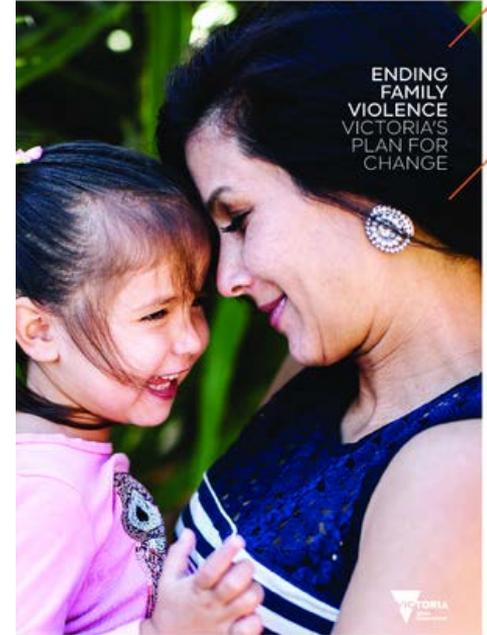


Aboriginal, CALD, LGBTI elements to be included in all aspects of the integrated model of care.

Ending Family Violence: Victoria's Plan for Change

Integrated model of care linked to broader reform agenda, including:

- Redevelopment of Family Violence Risk Assessment and Risk Management Framework (recommendation 1)
- Information sharing (recommendation 5)
- Support and Safety Hubs (recommendation 37)
- Principles for perpetrator interventions (recommendation 85)



Comments and questions

Thank you!

