St. Peter's Crime Victim Services | Elder Abuse

Enhanced Multidisciplinary Team

Enhanced Multidisciplinary Teams (E-MDTs)

provide a coordinated response to elder abuse cases. E-MDTs are comprised of professionals from various disciplines within each county whose primary focus is to intervene in cases of older adult abuse including financial exploitation, physical abuse, sexual abuse, neglect by other and/or emotional abuse. E-MDTs have unique access to a forensic accountant, civil legal attorney and mental health provider in addition to drawing on the expertise of disciplines. The team provides a holistic response which includes recommendations and support to those working on cases of elder abuse.

St. Peter's Crime Victim Services coordinates E-MDTs in Albany, Rensselaer, Schenectady, Columbia, and Greene Counties. Team members include professionals from, but not limited to, Adult Protective Services, aging services, legal services, health and human services, and law enforcement. The goal of an E-MDT is to provide an effective and efficient means of addressing cases of abuse of older adults (aged 60 and older).

Referrals can be made to an E-MDT by any professional working with an older adult who they believe may be experiencing abuse. Referrals brought to a Team can access numerous professionals at one time to consult on a case and provide recommendations.

For further information or to make a referral, please contact E-MDT Coordinator, Marlene Hildenbrandt, at emdt@sphp.com or (518) 833-6412.



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Referral Process

Professional makes referral to E-MDT Coordinator

E-MDT Coordinator Screens Referral

Case accepted for E-MDT review.
E-MDT coordinator works with referral agent to prepare case for presentation. Case reviewed and recommendations made for action steps

E-MDT Coordinator provides case consultation to referral agent; connecting with needed alternative resources

The E-MDT does not replace an agency's involvement in a case but is an added support to help address elder abuse and financial exploitation cases.

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