Signs and indicators of Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation by family members and caregivers This list is not exhaustive.

- Verbal assaults, intimidations or threats
- Unexplained bruises or skin tears
- Unjustified physical or chemical restraints, such as medications being used to control behavior, over or under medicating
- Unexplained stained, torn or bloody underwear; bruises or bleeding, pain or itching in genital or anal areas
- Crying or combativeness when a certain caregiver is on duty
- Crying of combativeness when a certain person visits
- Noticing isolation, withdrawal, depression, anxiety, fear, sleep disturbances
- Uses silence or profanity, demeaning remarks, humiliates, ridicules
- Stalking, domestic violence, sexual assault
- Slaps, hits, punches, throws things
- Rough with intimate body parts during care giving
- Makes someone feel uncomfortable when performing personal cares
- Forcing others to do things they do not want to do
- Takes away a walker or other medical devices needed for independence
- Makes adult miss medical appointments or fails to follow up on medical advice or safety recommendations
- Driving recklessly
- Forcing adults to eat, drink, or take medications
- Threatens to place adult in an institution or assisted living home
- Makes fun of personal values, religious beliefs, or cultural traditions
- Denies access to church or clergy
- Denies access to your family and friends
- Denies access to mail or the telephone
- Caregiver/family misleads people about a medical conditions or illnesses
- Controls what adults sees, does, and where they can go
- Not following a plan of care
- Stealing money, possessions, taking over bank accounts, spending money without permission, controlling finances without permission
- Abusing power of attorney or representative payee authority
- Abusing guardian/conservator authority

Note that abuse for Alaska Native elders is defined in terms of respect and disrespect

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