

PHYSICAL ABUSE

WHAT IS IT?

Intentional infliction of physical harm to an older person by slapping, pushing, or beating, or by use of physical restraints in a room, bed or chair. Also includes physical coercion eg. force feeding.

Signs and Symptoms...

- Depression, fear, anxiety, or passivity.
- Unexplained physical injuries, dehydration or malnourishment.
- Poor hygiene, genital bruising, or bed sores.
- Clustered bruising, parallel injuries, multiple fractures
- Burns