

Capability Statement

The National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA) is the only national organization dedicated to serving the needs of state and local Adult Protective Services programs throughout the United States. Established in 1983, NAPSA is committed to excellence in APS service delivery, to promoting evidence-based practices, to working in collaboration with partners at all levels to serve the needs of state and local APS and other partners, and to protect those who have experienced elder or vulnerable adult abuse.

What sets NAPSA apart from others?

- Staff and board members, many of whom are current or former APS professionals, are Subject Matter Experts in Adult Protective Services, elder abuse and abuse of adults with disabilities
- Respected and trusted leadership in the field for over 30 years
- Extensive communication network of state and local APS professionals
- Excellent client relationship management
- Convenor of the only national conference dedicated to APS, elder abuse and abuse of adults with disabilities

Core Capabilities:

NAPSA has extensive experience and expertise in the following core areas in elder/disabled adult abuse:

- Consulting and technical assistance
- Training and education
- Research analysis and translation of research to practice
- Communication and networking opportunities at all levels of APS
- Policy analysis, legislative and regulatory affairs

Major services offered:

Consulting and Technical Assistance

NAPSA provides consulting and technical assistance in the following areas:

- Guidance on the development of policies and procedures for APS programs;
- Development of practice tools for APS investigators (e.g., checklists and decision trees);
- Development of other resources for APS professionals (e.g., Adult Protective Services Abuse Registry National Report);
- Alignment of state APS policies and procedures with the U.S. Administration for Community Living Voluntary Consensus Guidelines for State APS Systems and the 2024 Federal APS Regulations...

Training and Education

NAPSA provides training and education through:

- Administering the National Adult Protectives Services Training Center (9/2021-8/2024);
- Convening the only national annual conference on adult maltreatment and Adult Protective Services;
- Producing educational webinars on topics relevant to APS practice;
- Creation and implementation of training on leadership for APS administrators and county managers;
- Creation and dissemination of white papers on key issues for APS practice.
- Developing and producing trainings for allied professions

Research Analysis and Translation of Research to Practice

NAPSA provides research analysis and translation of research to practice through:

- Facilitating connections between researchers and practitioners via meeting of the NAPSA Research to Practice Interest Group;
- The hosting and production of research webinars
- The creation and dissemination of research briefs;
- The hosting of a research journal club where research articles are discussed with article authors;
- Hosting of the APS Research to Practice Listserv.

Communication and networking opportunities at all levels of APS

NAPSA provides for communication, dissemination and networking opportunities for the field:

- Hosting of the NAPSA member listserv with over 1700 members;
- Hosting of topic specific calls for APS professionals;
- Hosting eight regional calls to facilitate regional networking and peer support;
- Hosting Peer-to-Peer network meetings for administrators, supervisors, and investigators.

Policy analysis and regulatory affairs

NAPSA provides policy analysis and regulatory affairs through:

- Regular review and synthesis of state and federal policies affecting APS practice;
- Regular communication with the field regarding these policies and their implications for APS programs;
- Participation in networks of other violence prevention, aging and disability policy experts:
- Provide expertise on APS and the implications of policy considerations to decision makers, researchers, and allied professionals.

Current and Previous Contracts and Grants¹

- ICF (subcontract Elder Financial Prevention and Response Networks)*
- WRMA (subcontract- APS Technical Assistance Resource Center)*
- State of Illinois*
- State of South Carolina*
- State of North Dakota*
- Arizona Department of Economic Security (contract)
- State APS program partners for every NAPSA conference over the last 34 years (contracts)*
- University of Southern California (sub-grant NCEA)*
- San Diego State University Foundation (contract)
- New Editions (subcontract providing consultation on updating of the National APS Guidelines, development of a Tools Inventory, and the APS Client Outcomes Study; Louisiana APS TA Project*)
- California Department of Social Services (contract)
- Georgia Department of Human Services, Division of Aging Services (contract)
- Hawaii Department of Human Services, Social Services Department (contract)
- Retirement Research Foundation (grant)
- Archstone Foundation (grant)
- ACL/AoA (grants: National Adult Protective Services Training Center*; Self-neglect Research Project; APS Resource Center)
- ADvancing States (formerly NASUAD), (sub-grant NCEA)

General Information:

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¹ Asterisk designates current contract or grant.