

THE KHULISA ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS PROGRAMME

Programme Description

Elder Abuse is becoming a bigger social problem for a number of reasons including; more grandparents having to take care of children as a result of the HIV/AIDS epidemic, radical cultural differences with the acceptance of Western culture, poverty and the resultant dependency on government grants etc. This programme is designed to develop and build understanding and awareness regarding this topic. This programme takes into account the local dynamic of the community and utilises local stakeholders for assistance. It also requires that the community finds way to make productive use of Elders in the community so they are not as isolated as before.

Course Content

- What is Elder Abuse?
- What should children know about Elder Abuse
- Signs and symptoms of Elder Abuse
- Rights of the Elder and the Elder Persons Bill
- How to prevent Elder Abuse
- Who to report Elder Abuse to and the procedure
- The productive use of Elders in the community
- Who can you contact?

Learning Outcomes

- Understanding elder abuse, its signs and symptoms
- The rights of an elder
- Understanding the procedure for reporting
- Constructing a list of activities for the productive use of elders in that specific community

Target Audience

Any community member



Programme Delivery

This programme has been designed to be flexible depending on the needs of the community. The hours can be split over a number of days or all done in one day but it should be run over a period of nine hours.

Monitoring and Evaluation

Evaluation forms are completed at the end of the programme, the implementation of this programme should be linked to a reporting strategy in the community and these statistics will be used to ascertain the effectiveness of the programme.