



Taking Action Against Abuse  
Workshop Series



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# EMPOWERMENT AND PROTECTION: INCREASING AWARENESS AND ACTION AGAINST ABUSE IN THE IDD COMMUNITIES FOR EVERYDAY LIFE

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1 to 2:30 pm GNO Area



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Taking Action Against Abuse is an interactive training designed to equip individuals with IDD, caregivers, families, and community partners with the knowledge and skills to recognize, prevent, and respond to abuse and neglect. This session will cover the definitions and signs of abuse, the importance of self-advocacy, and practical steps for reporting and intervention. Participants will engage in activities, discussions, and exercises to strengthen their ability to take protective action. By fostering awareness, confidence, and collaboration, this training empowers individuals with IDD and their support networks to create safer, more supportive environments.

Join us to be part of the solution—because awareness leads to action, and action leads to change.

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