

OLDER MICHIGANIANS ACT (EXCERPT)
Act 180 of 1981

400.586k Older persons' abuse prevention fund; establishment; administration; contributions; creation of older persons' abuse prevention project; duties of office; pilot programs; report; definition.

Sec. 6k. (1) There is established in the state treasury an older persons' abuse prevention fund, to be administered by the office. The fund shall consist of contributions of money from individuals, corporations, or other associations, and any money appropriated to the fund. No state general purpose or general fund money shall be appropriated to the fund.

(2) With the fund, the office shall create an older persons' abuse prevention project, for which the office shall do all of the following:

(a) Administer the older persons' abuse prevention fund for the purpose of implementing the older persons' abuse prevention project.

(b) Develop an older persons' abuse prevention program in cooperation with the department of social services, department of public health, department of mental health, department of state police, the office of substance abuse services, and representatives of local police agencies.

(c) Disseminate information about the aging process.

(d) Evaluate and approve proposals from community organizations for grants from the older persons' abuse prevention fund. Proposals may be submitted directly to the office or may be submitted to any area agency on aging, which shall forward the proposal to the office. A grant from the older persons' abuse prevention fund shall be for a purpose consistent with the older persons' abuse prevention program and shall be expended as determined by an interagency review panel, of which the director or the director's designee shall be the chairperson.

(3) If sufficient contributions have been made to the fund, the office shall develop and implement 2 pilot programs for purposes of this section. The pilot programs shall be established in cooperation with community organizations that provide services to older persons and that have adequate facilities, staff, and expertise to provide services for the prevention of the abuse of older persons. The pilot programs shall be implemented not later than 18 months after the effective date of this section. Not later than 2 years after the pilot programs are implemented, the office shall report to the legislature on the results of the pilot programs.

(4) As used in this section, "abuse of older persons" includes the following types of abuse involving an older person: physical abuse, emotional or social abuse, financial abuse, or environmental abuse.

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Compiler's note: For transfer of commission on services to the aging and powers and duties of the office of services to the aging from the department of community health to the aging and adult services agency created within the department of health and human services, and abolishment of the office of services to the aging, see E.R.O. No. 2015-1, compiled at MCL 400.227.

For transfer of commission on services to the aging and powers and duties of the office of services to the aging from the aging and adult services agency to the department of health and human services, and abolishment of the aging and adult services agency, see E.R.O. No. 2021-2, compiled at MCL 400.562.

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