



WEEKLY E-MAILING

August 22, 2023

Table of Contents

[Helpful Links](#)

[Deputy Commissioner for Aging Services](#)

[Virginia Helping Elders Access Resources \(HEAR\) Project](#)

Helpful Links

ACL News & Information

Here is a link to news & information from the Administration for Community Living (ACL):

<https://acl.gov/>

ADvancing States (NASUAD) Information

Here is a link to state technical assistance from ADvancing States:

<http://www.advancingstates.org/state-technical-assistance/enhancedtechnical-assistance>

Deputy Commissioner for Aging Services

Kathryn Hayfield, Commissioner

Are you passionate about improving the lives of #olderadults? DARS seeks an experienced leader to direct the new Division for Aging Services. Located in #RVA this position will lead and elevate #agingservices to meet community needs. Apply at <https://bit.ly/43u2mMc>



[Deputy Commissioner for Aging Services - #ARS01083 - Henrico, Virginia, United States](#)

Title: Deputy Commissioner for Aging Services - #ARS01083 Hiring Range: Commensurate with experience Pay Band: 7 Agency: Dept for Aging & Rehab Svcs Location: Aging & Rehab Svcs Agency
Website: <https://www.dars.virginia.gov>
Recruitment Type: General Public - G Are you passionate about improving the lives of older adults in Virginia? DARS seeks an experienced leader to direct the new Division for Aging Services. This role will manage our aging services team, oversee state and federally funded grants and programs and overall elevate aging services to meet community needs. Job Duties: "Previous applicants need not reapply" The Division for Aging Services within...

[bit.ly](https://bit.ly/43u2mMc)

Virginia Helping Elders Access Resources (HEAR) Project

Charlotte Arbogast, MS, Senior Policy Analyst

Recently you joined the interest list for the [Virginia Helping Elders Access Resources \(HEAR\)](#) project, which aims to tackle and prevent elder mistreatment across Virginia.

How Will We Do This?

You may recall, we are developing:

1. An educational program to educate on elder mistreatment, the role ageism plays, and the importance of linking communities of care.
2. A web-based 'safety connector' to connect elders, caregivers, and front-line workers to local and State programs and resources to safeguard against, and respond to, all forms of elder mistreatment.

We Want to Hear from You

To do our best to ensure these resources meet the needs of Virginians across the State we have created a series of surveys for the following participant groups:

- Adults 60 years and older
- Caregivers and care partners to elders (paid or unpaid)
- Area Agencies on Aging staff
- Adult Protective Services staff
- Front line community members (for example, financial services; care staff and management; faith leaders; healthcare professionals; justice and legal personnel inc. law enforcement; mental health service providers; substance abuse program providers; victim services providers; academic/training, advocate, and/or thought leader in a relevant field; other public-facing roles e.g. emergency services, library staff, hair/beauty professionals, volunteers).

Participant Incentives

In respect of your time, the first 20 people* to complete each survey and opt-in for the study incentive will receive a \$50 gift card. There are further details in the study information. (* 1st 20 older adults; 1st 20 caregivers; 1st 20 front line workers; 1st 10 AAA staff; 1st 10 APS staff).

The Survey Link

If you would like to take part, or to read through the study information, [this link](#) will direct you to a page where you can choose the survey that is most relevant to you.

We encourage you to also share this survey with others in your community and networks who you think might like to add their insights and perspectives.

If you have any questions about this survey or about the HEAR project, please email me at any time.

Thanks again for your interest in this important and much-needed work,

Aisling Clardy, on behalf of the Virginia HEAR partnership.



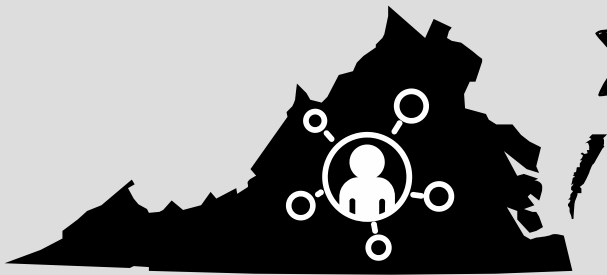
Virginia HEAR is supported by the Administration for Community Living, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

Abuse in Later Life Project

Virginia Helping Elders Access Resources

To tackle and prevent elder abuse across Virginia, we're developing:

1 Web & Phone based Safety Connector on 'Easy Access'



To educate, prevent, respond, and connect to database & map of services & programs.

2 Multimedia Training Program



Educate to recognize, prevent, and tackle elder abuse & mistreatment.

Interest List

Scan or click the QR code and add your name to hear how you can **support the development** of these important **resources for older adults, their caregivers and front-line community members** across Virginia.

Input opportunities are incentivized



CLICK HERE



VCU College of Health
Professions
Virginia Center on Aging



The Virginia HEAR project is supported by the Administration for Community Living (ACL), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) as part of a financial assistance award totaling \$1,310,978 with 100 percent funding by ACL/HHS.