

Group exercise 1: explore network goals and opportunities

This exercise will help attendees develop a sense of current successes, challenges, and opportunities for growth.

What to do

- 1. Write down the six themes on easel paper, with one theme per page, and display them on the convening room walls.** Break attendees into small groups of four to eight people, making sure, if possible, that each group has a variety of stakeholder expertise. Give each group a copy of the handout (or plain writing paper). Ask each group to choose a notetaker and a spokesperson.
- 2. Instruct participants to focus on this guiding question, “How can our elder justice stakeholders work together to prevent and respond to cases of elder financial exploitation?”**
- 3. Review the six themes with the small groups.** Ask the groups to spend 20 minutes discussing the themes. For each theme, the groups should generate as many thoughts as possible on:
 - **Successes:** things that are already working well
 - **Challenges:** things that present barriers or obstacles
 - **Opportunities:** things that have the potential to increase collaboration and effectiveness of the network.

Note: If groups are still talking after 20 minutes, consider adding more time.

- 4. Ask each group to share.** The spokesperson from each group should share the thoughts and ideas the group has identified, organized by theme. The notetaker should use sticky notes to add the group’s insights onto the corresponding easel paper. If similar ideas are raised by multiple groups, the notetaker can group the sticky notes together on the paper.

Next steps

Collect the handouts (or writing paper) and let attendees know that their thoughts will be used to create a summary for all attendees.



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How can our elder justice stakeholders work together to prevent and respond to cases of elder financial exploitation?

1. Choose a person to take notes during group discussion. Notes will be collected afterwards for a summary that will be shared with all attendees.
2. Think about the following question with the group: how can our elder justice stakeholders work together to prevent and respond to cases of elder financial exploitation?
For each theme, write down the group's thoughts on:
 - **Successes.** What is already working well?
 - **Challenges.** What is presenting barriers or obstacles?
 - **Opportunities.** What might increase collaboration and the effectiveness of the network?
3. Choose a spokesperson to report out to all the other groups.

Case review & resolution

+ Successes	- Challenges	! Opportunities

Community education & outreach

+ Successes	- Challenges	! Opportunities

Legal aid & victim assistance

+ Successes	- Challenges	! Opportunities

Legislative & regulatory policies

+ Successes	- Challenges	! Opportunities

Local or regional response protocols

+ Successes	- Challenges	! Opportunities

Cross-training & resource sharing

+ Successes	- Challenges	! Opportunities