# SIGNS OF COERCIVE CONTROL OF OLDER PEOPLE



#### Gaslighting

The abuser makes the victim question reality or their own sanity.

### Controlling finances

The abuser spends the victim's money or makes financial decisions for them.

#### Bullying and severe criticism

The abuser may use verbal abuse to break down the victim's confidence.

#### Manipulation

The victim feels they must do whatever the abuser wants.

### Limiting access to grandchildren

The abuser withholds access to grandchildren without contribution of money or childminding.

## Forcing roles and responsibilities

The abuser forces the victim to take on certain roles or responsibilities without pay.

#### Social isolation

The abuser cuts the victim off from family and friends.

## Threatening pets or partner

The abuser controls the victim by threatening vulnerable loved ones.

### Controlling access to necessary services

The abuser limits the victim's access to necessary medication or medical services.





