



## Hill Briefing Convened by National Health Collaborative on Violence and Abuse, Futures Without Violence, Elder Justice Coalition, Alzheimer's Association and the Alzheimer's Impact Movement: Preventing and Addressing Elder Abuse during COVID-19

Amid the COVID-19 pandemic, seniors are at increased risk for elder abuse and face unique barriers to receiving assistance. Join us to hear from leading health and advocacy experts to lift up these issues to better understand how seniors are more susceptible to abuse during this time and share timely policy solutions.

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Thursday, December 3, 2020 | Noon-1:00pm EST | Zoom Webinar

### Speakers:

- Tonya McFadden, MS, MSA, Director, Strategies for Health Equity at **American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)** (moderator)
- XinQi Dong, MD, MPH, Director, Institute for Health, Health Care Policy and Aging Research at Rutgers, **The State University of New Jersey**
- Laura Thornhill, Senior Associate Director, Regulatory Affairs at **Alzheimer's Association**
- Robert B. Blancato, National Coordinator, **Elder Justice Coalition**

### Join us as we:

- Share findings from the field on increase of incidents of abuse and neglect during COVID, including persons with dementia, and new state-level training available
- Explore federal solutions, including the Elder Justice Act reauthorization and funding to include training for health care professionals to screen for abuse, long-term care ombudsman, elder abuse forensic centers, and adult protective services focusing on physical and neglect issues
- Highlight innovative strategies to reduce frequency and severity of abuse later in life

Focused on finding solutions, the [National Health Collaborative on Violence and Abuse](#) (NHCVA) reaches more than 850,000 health and allied health professionals among its member organizations and professional disciplines it represents.

Founded in 2003, the [Elder Justice Coalition](#) (EJC) works through national and grassroots advocacy to increase public awareness at the local, state, and national level about the tragedy of elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation.

The [Alzheimer's Association](#) leads the way to end Alzheimer's and all other dementia – by accelerating global research, driving risk reduction and early detection, and maximizing quality care and support.

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