

How to Report Elder Abuse or Neglect.

Article 6, Chapter 108A of the General Statutes requires that: any person having reasonable cause to believe that a disabled adult is in need of protective services shall report such information to the director [of the department of social services]. The report may be made orally or in writing. It must include:

1. The name and address of the disabled adult;
2. The name and address of the disabled adult's caretaker;
3. The age of the disabled adult; and
4. The nature and extent of the disabled adult's injury or condition resulting from abuse, neglect or exploitation
5. Any other pertinent information. [G.S. 108A-102(a)(b)]

If you suspect that an elderly or disabled person is in need of protective services, please call the Stokes County Department of Social Services at (336) 593-2861. After 5:00 PM, you may call 1-800-672-2851. A social worker is available 24 hours a day to speak to you about your concerns. You do not have to give your name.