



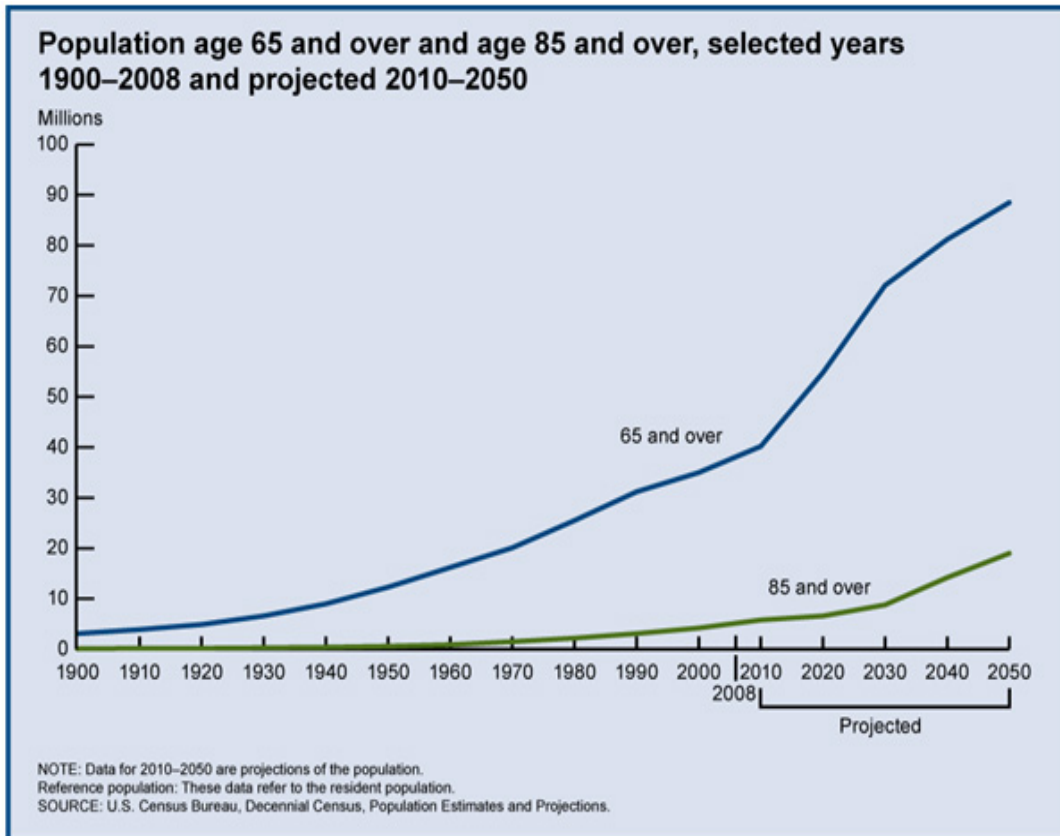
Overview of San Mateo County's Aging and Adult Services

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The Silver Tsunami



The National Center on Elder Abuse estimates that currently 40.1 million Americans are over the age of 65, **comprising 13% of the population.** As the Baby Boomer generation ages, the proportion of older adults will continue to increase.

[Source: National Center on Elder Abuse]

Elders in San Mateo County

- By the year 2030 in San Mateo County...
 - **1 out of 4 residents will be over 65;**
 - **The number of adults over 65 will increase by 72%;**
 - **The number of people over 85 will increase to two and a half times the current number.**

Dependent Adults in San Mateo County

- According to the 2010 Census, nearly 1 in 5 Americans has a disability.
- Approximately 140,000 residents of San Mateo County live with a disability.
- Dependent adults often have a relative, friend or other caregiver handle or assist with their affairs. Some reside at home, and some in board and care facilities, nursing homes, or other institutional settings.

Goals of Aging and Adult Services

To ensure the delivery of *client-centered, compassionate, and fiscally responsible services* that foster *self-determination, meet professional standards and ethics, and reflect the county's vision.*

Area on Aging (AAA)

- Commission on Aging
- Commission on Disabilities
- New Beginning Coalition
- Contracted Services
 - Adult Day Health Care
 - Congregate Nutrition
 - Home Delivered Meals
 - Transportation
 - Caregiver Support and Respite
 - Alzheimer’s Day Care Resource centers
 - Legal Assistance
 - HICAP
 - Case Management
 - Ombudsman
 - Health Promotion
 - Disease Prevention
 - Senior Employment

Public Guardian/Conservatorship

- Serves frail elderly and the disabled who are unable to provide for their own health care, food, clothing, shelter, or manage their own finances.
- Probate Conservatorship
 - Primarily for those who have severe limitations or serious cognitive impairments
- Lanterman, Petris, and Short Conservatorship (LPS)
 - Short-term conservatorship (for up to one year)
 - Most often for those experiencing a major mental health episode

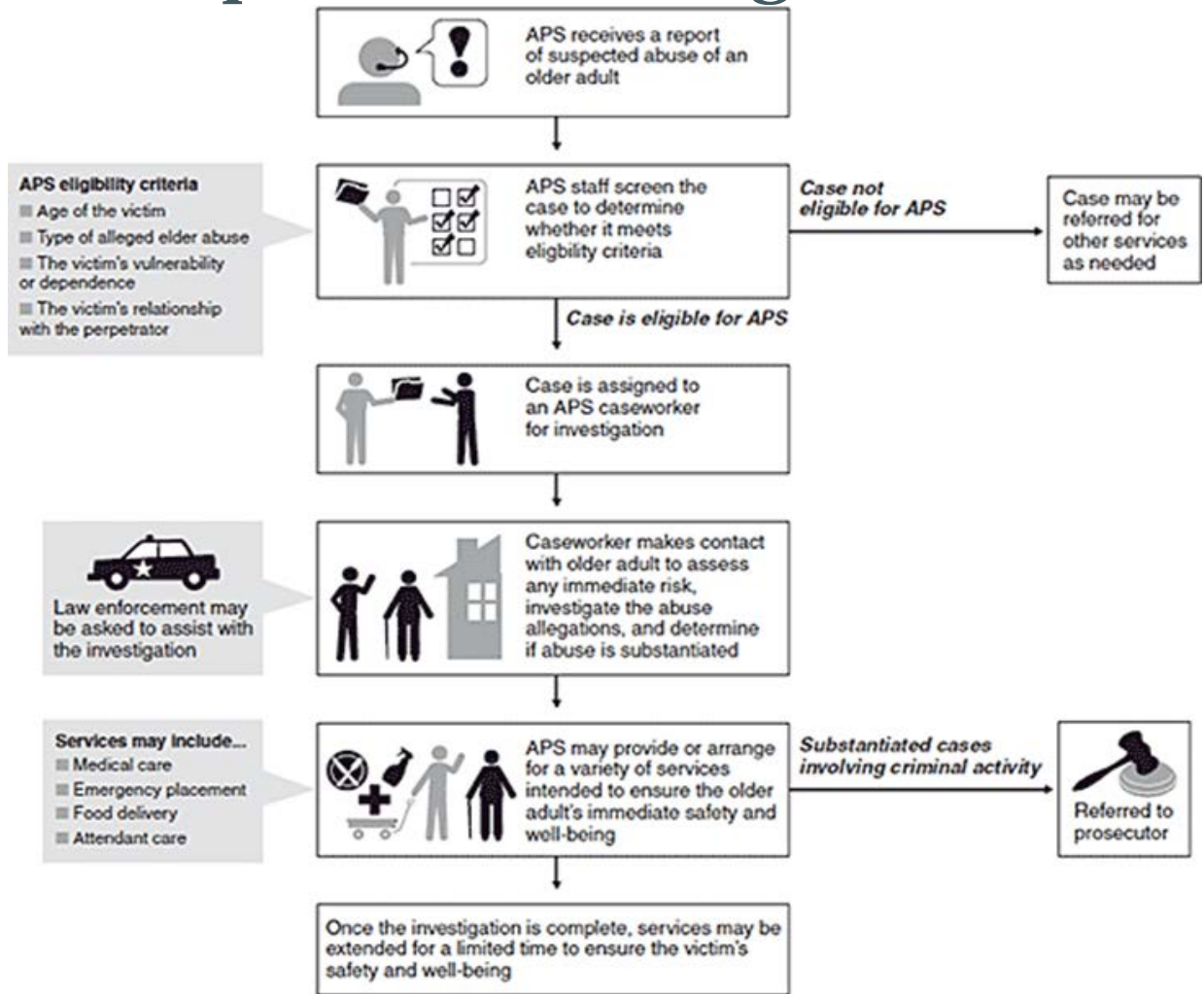
Public Administrator

- Serves the public by investigating the estates and administering the estate of those who die without a will or a person willing to act as administrator
- Duties include:
 - Making appropriate burial arrangements
 - Protect the decedent's property from waste, loss or theft
 - Conduct thorough investigations to discover all assets
 - Locate heirs
 - Liquidate assets as appropriate

Protective and Supportive Services

- TIES Line – **1-800-675-TIES**
- Adult Protective Services
 - Elder and Dependent Adult Protection Team
- Representative Payee
- Multipurpose Senior Services Program
- Linkages Program
- In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)
- Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI)
- Public Authority (PA)

What Happens When I Report Something to APS?



What is EDAPT?

EDAPT is a multidisciplinary team dedicated to three objectives: streamlining and facilitating the investigation and prosecution of elder and dependent adult abuse, coordinating supportive services to victims, and raising awareness through targeted outreach to the community and training for potential responders.

This initiative is made possible through Measure A funding, and has been developed through a collaboration of the **District Attorney's Office, County Counsel's Office and the San Mateo County Health System's Aging and Adult Services.**

Staff include: A dedicated unit within the District Attorney's office of two Deputies and an Inspector; a dedicated staff of 7 within Aging and Adult Services/APS/Public Guardian; and the County Counsel's office.

Objectives of EDAPT

- Efficient criminal case review and prosecution, including obtaining full restitution for victims
- Connect victims/clients with supportive services
- Refer appropriate cases to the Public Guardian for investigation of possible conservatorship when appropriate
- Improved communication with Probate Court
- APS intervention
- Referrals for elder abuse restraining orders
- Pursue civil claims on behalf of conservatees
- Outreach to county residents and community agencies
- Training and consultation for law enforcement agencies
- Track performance measures

If You *See* Something, *Say* Something...

- If you are concerned about someone or suspect that a family member, friend or neighbor may be suffering from elder abuse, call the TIES Line.

1-800-675-8437

All calls are confidential.

See, Stop, Prevent

Dependent & Older Adult Abuse

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www.smchealth.org/ElderAbuse



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