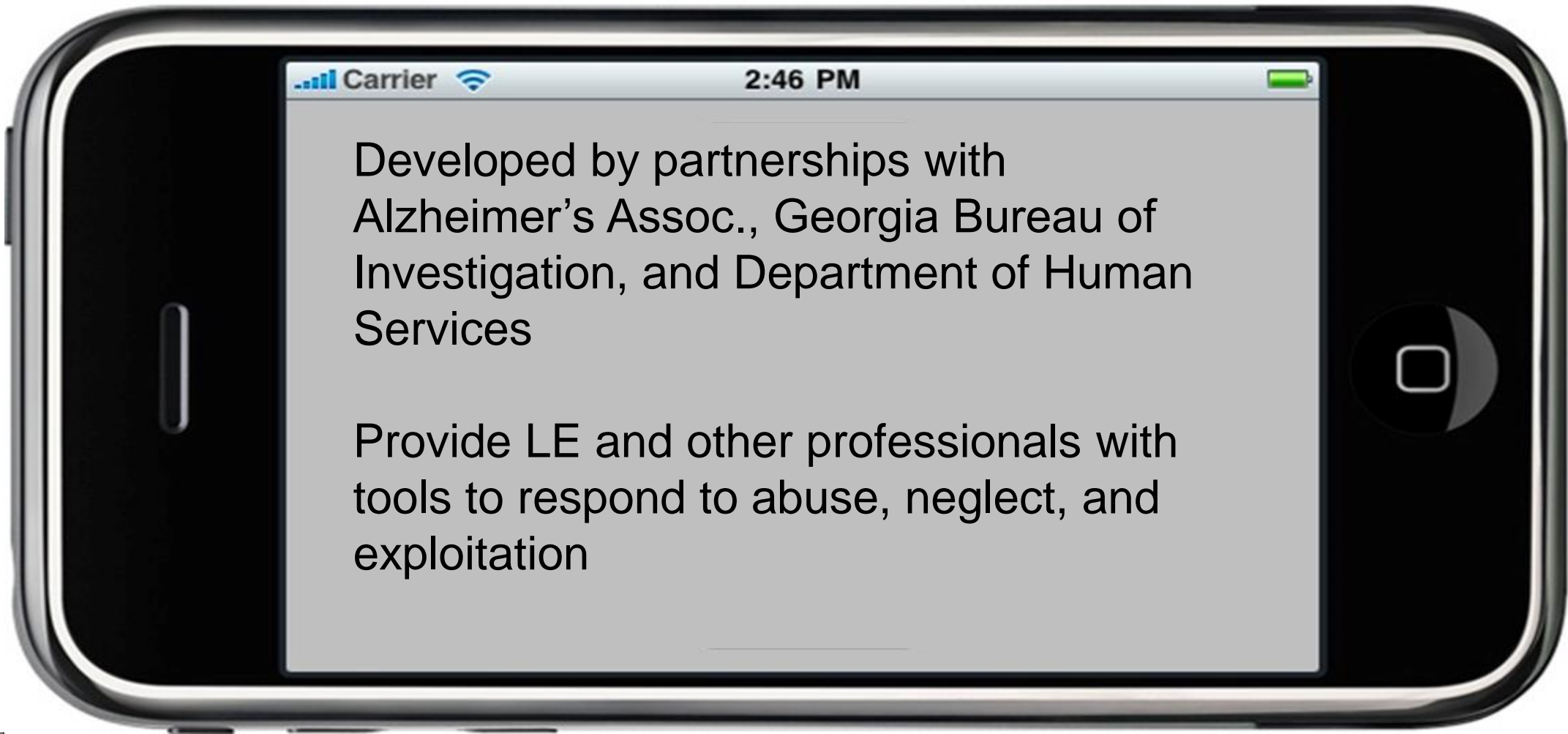


GANE App



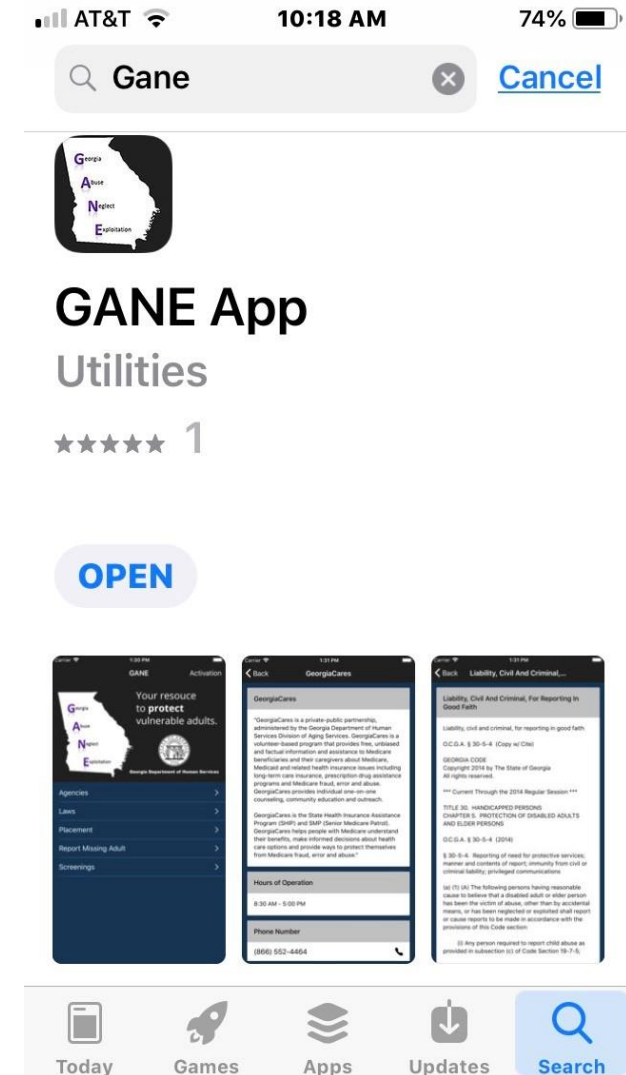
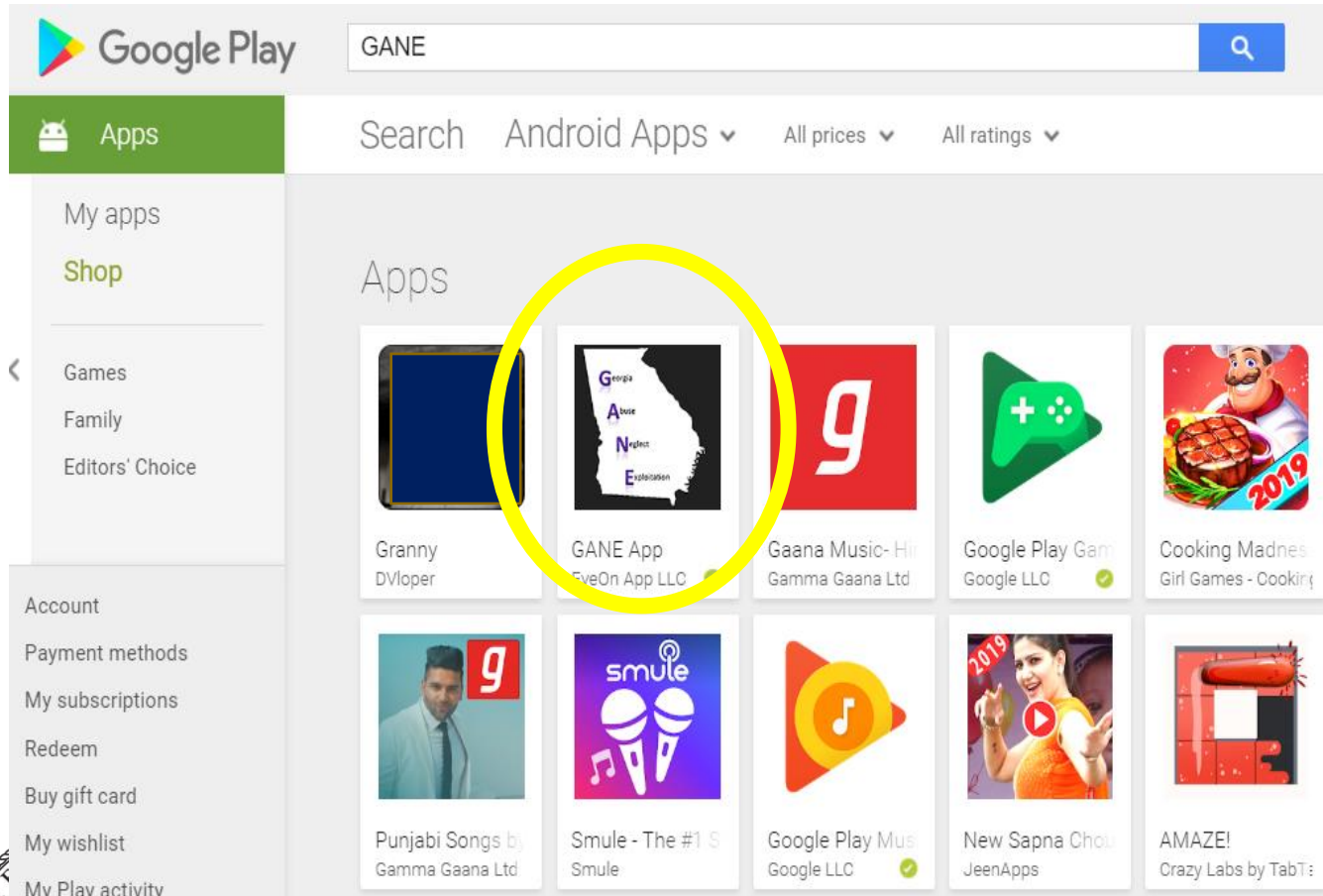


The GANE App is on iPhone/android

- Available for Android and Apple phones
- The GANE App is free to download and use
- Open to everyone



Search for: GANE



Why an App?

- Law enforcement/Adult Protective Services frequently encounter situations where someone appears to have been abused, neglected, or exploited
- Reports of persons with diminished cognitive capacity appearing to be wandering and/or lost
- Often a vulnerable adult is deemed to be unsafe, e.g., removed from an unlicensed personal care home/caregiver is arrested



Features of the GANE App

- Options available to place at-risk adults temporarily to ensure their safety
- Quick access to information 24/7
- Screening tools and resources



Capabilities



Social service, regulatory, and other agencies contact information



Direct links to report suspected abuse



Resource agency list and contact information



Georgia laws relating to abuse, neglect, and exploitation

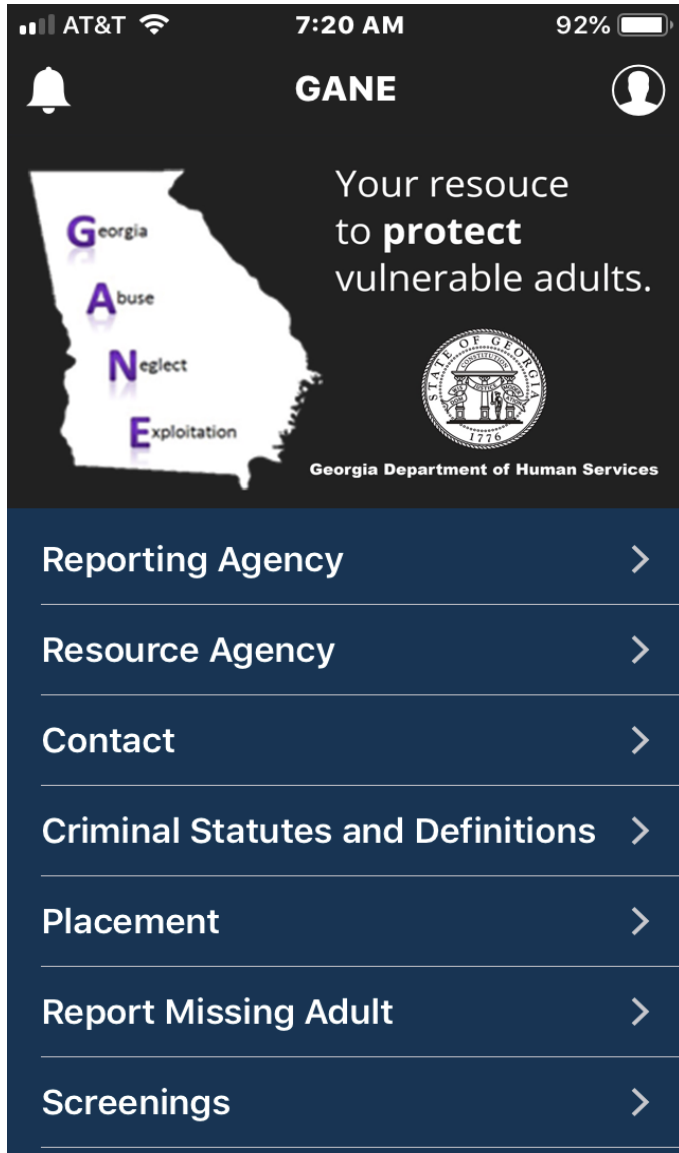


Screenings

- Cognitive Function
- Abuse
- Neglect
- Exploitation
- Financial Capacity
 - Law Enforcement
 - APS



GANE App Home Page



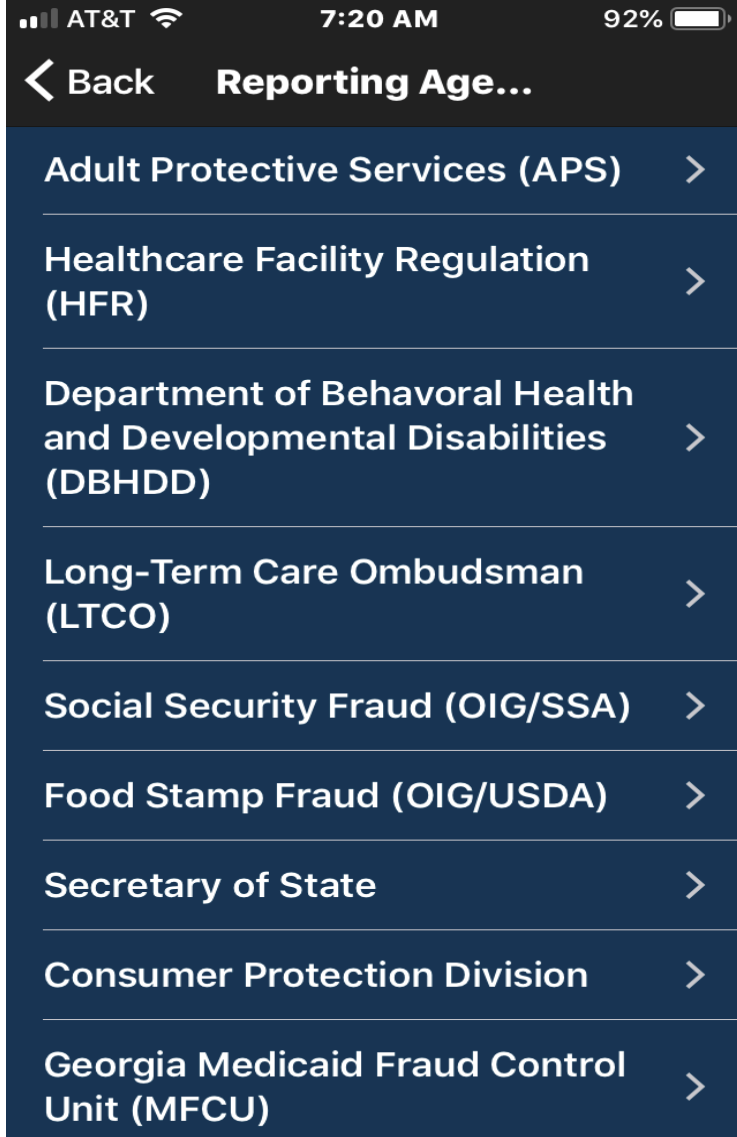
← Tap here and to enter the activation code *****

and the user role, either law enforcement or Adult Protective Services

The activation code is only for Law enforcement, APS, HFRD
No activation code is required to use the public version of the GANE App

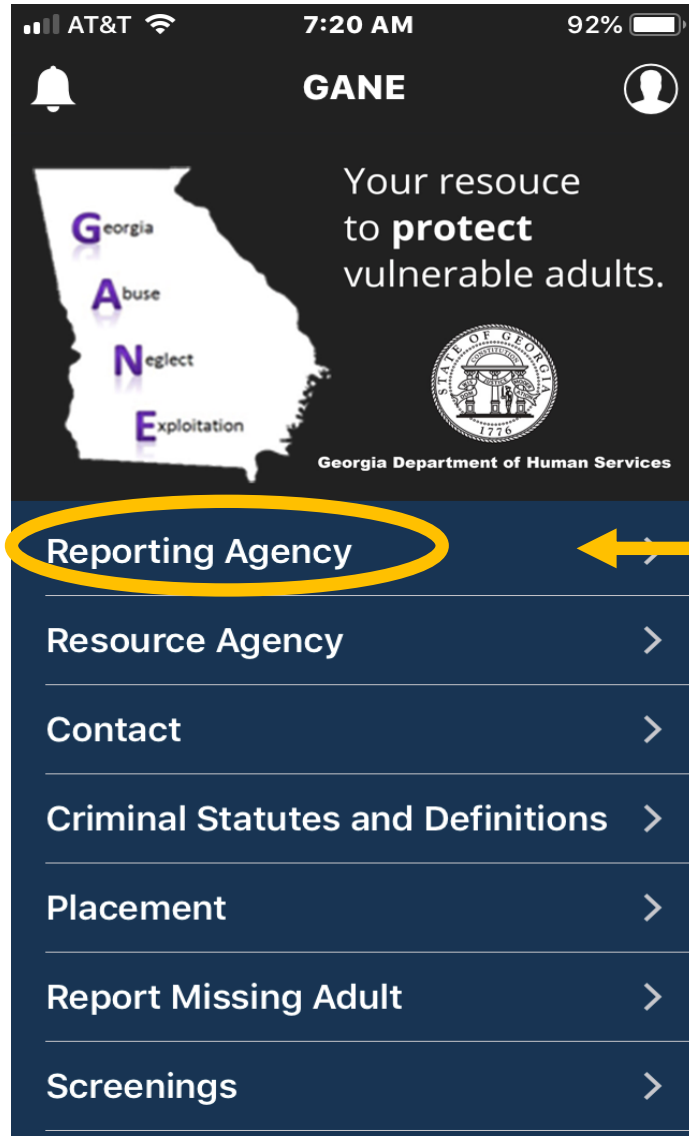
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david.blake@dhs.ga.gov or anna.thomas1@dhs.ga.gov

Reporting Agency Tab

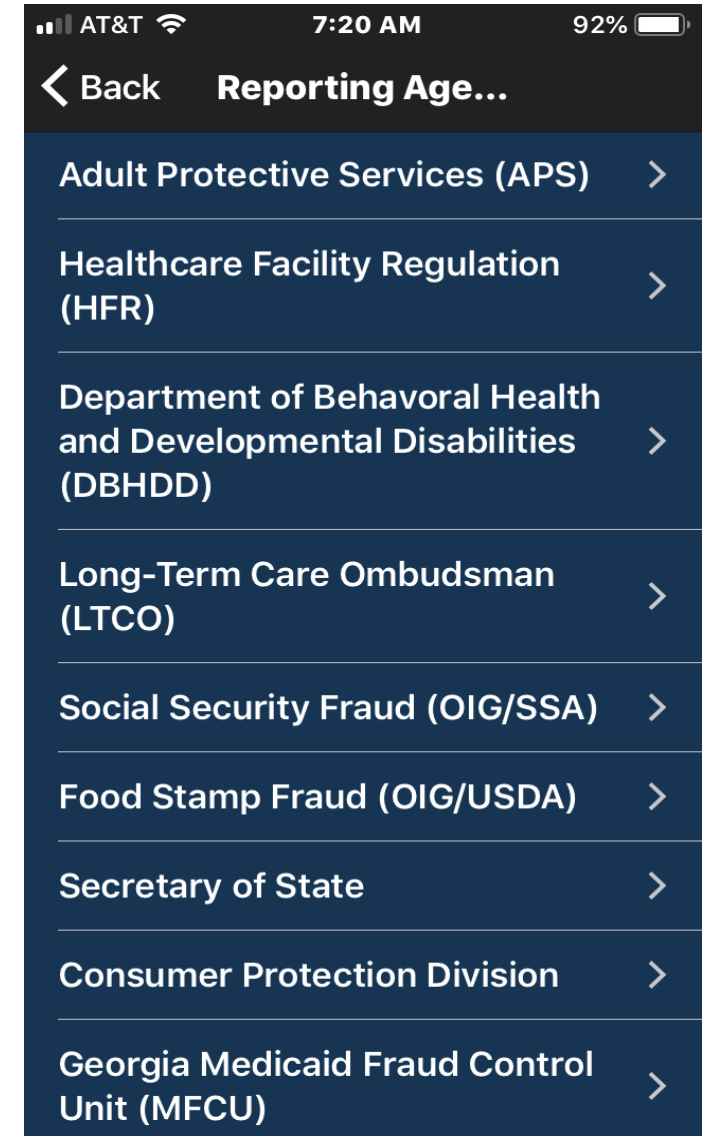


The Reporting Agency tab menu contains a list of social service and regulatory agencies to report suspected abuse, neglect, and exploitation of an at-risk adult

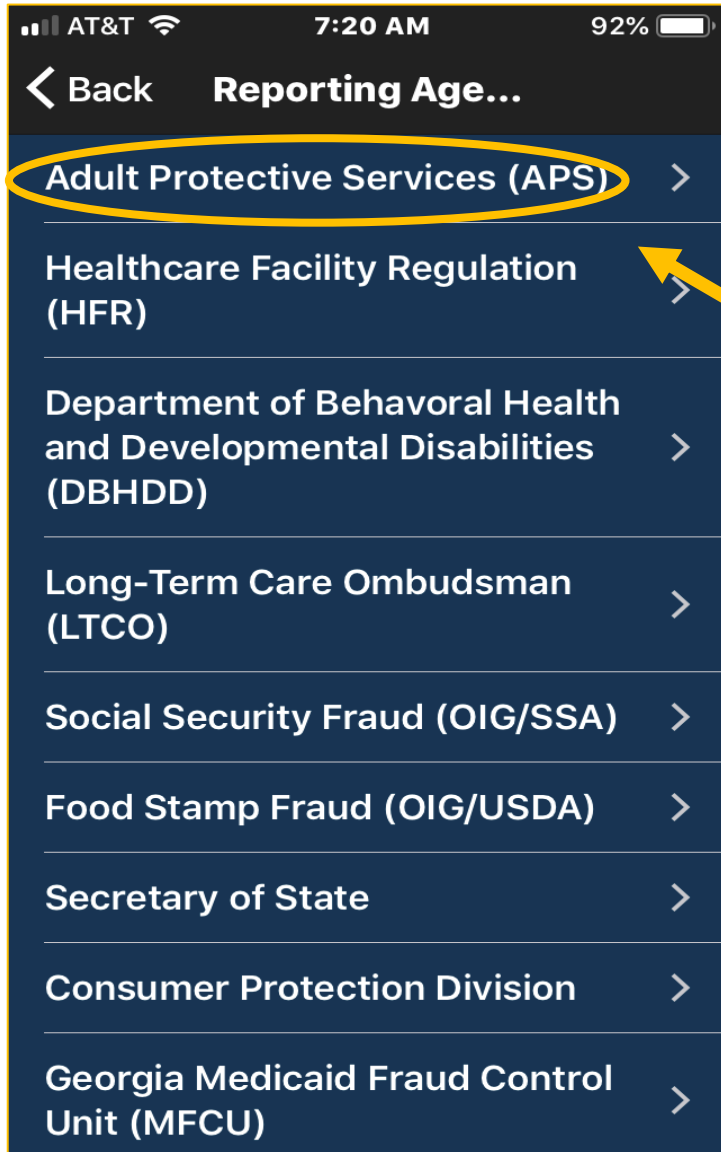
Reporting Agency Tab



Clicking on the
Reporting Agency tab
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Reporting Agencies
menu

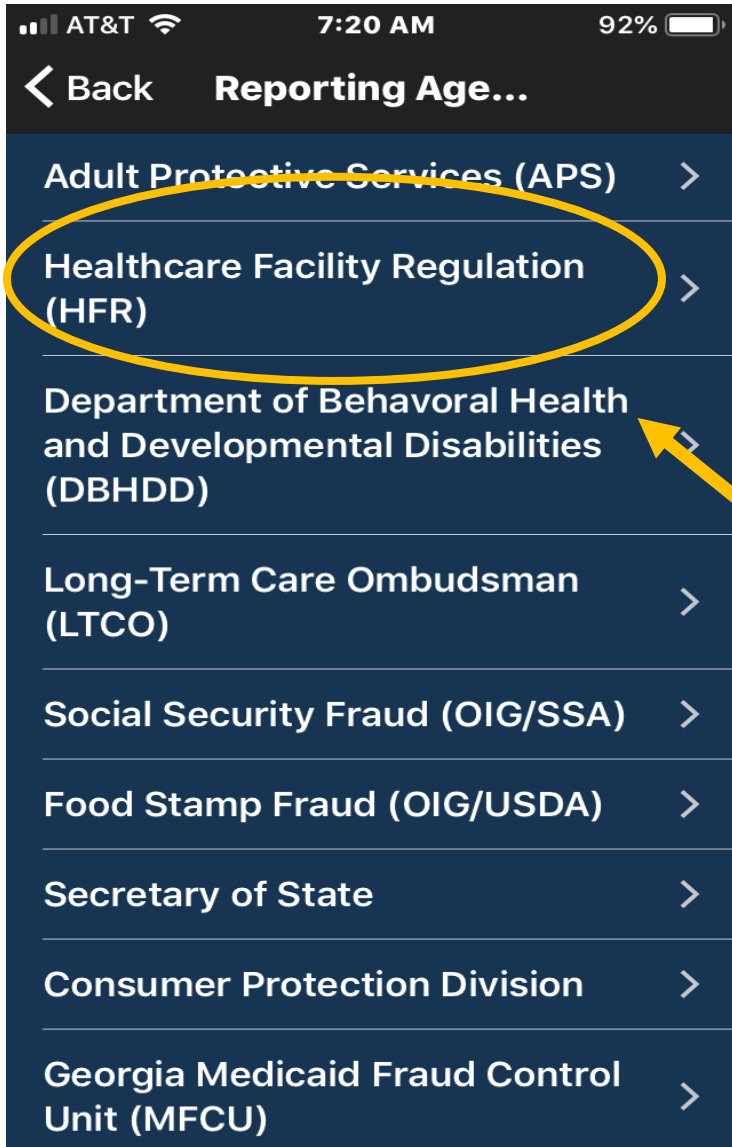


Mandated Reporting In the Community



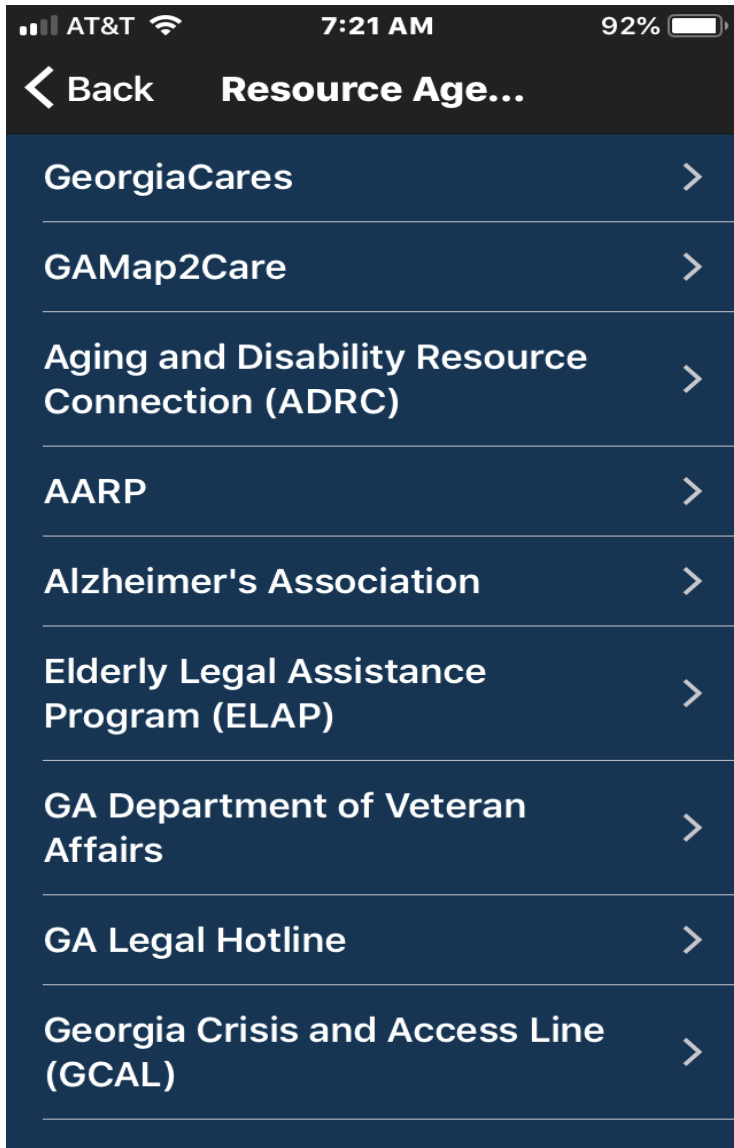
To report suspect abuse in a home/community setting the agencies to contact would be Adult Protective Services and law enforcement.

Mandated Reporting In a Facility



To report suspect abuse in a facility setting (personal care home, nursing home, etc.) the agencies to contact would be
Healthcare Facility Regulation and law enforcement

Resource Agency Tab

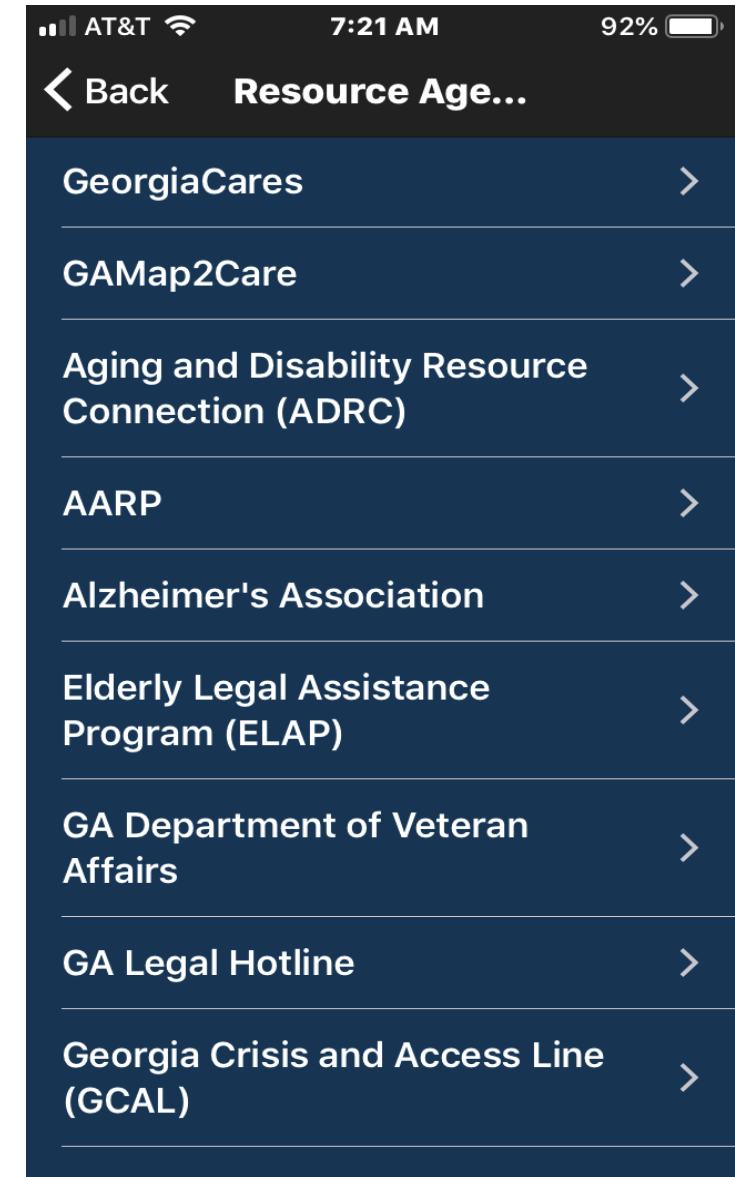


The Resource Agency tab menu contains a list of different resource agencies and contact information that may be useful to the vulnerable/at-risk adult

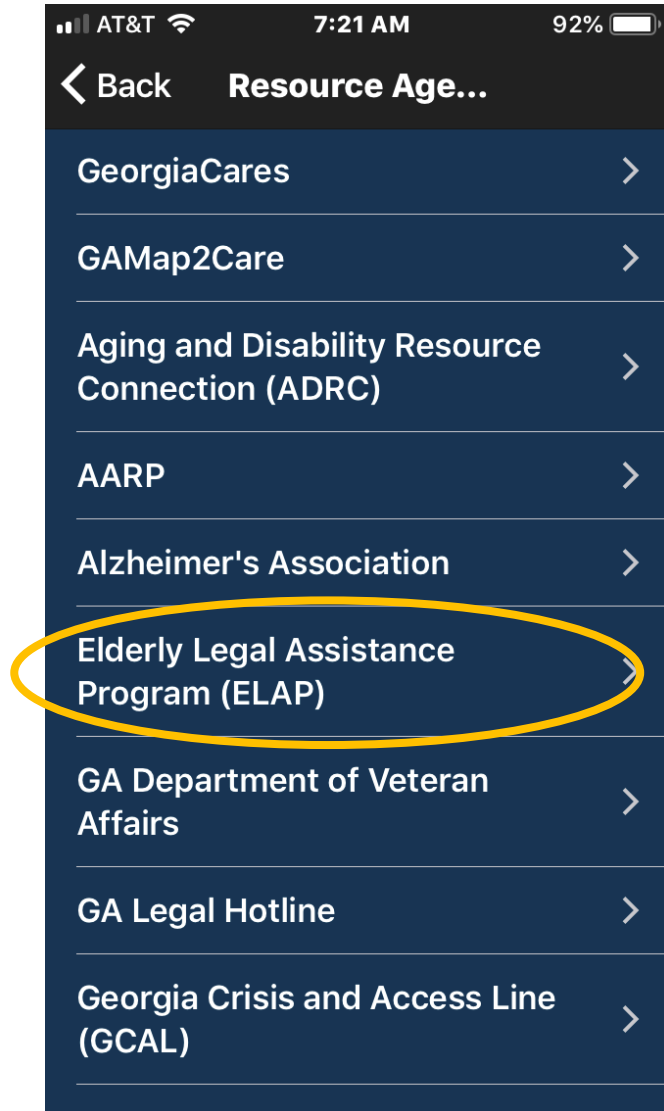
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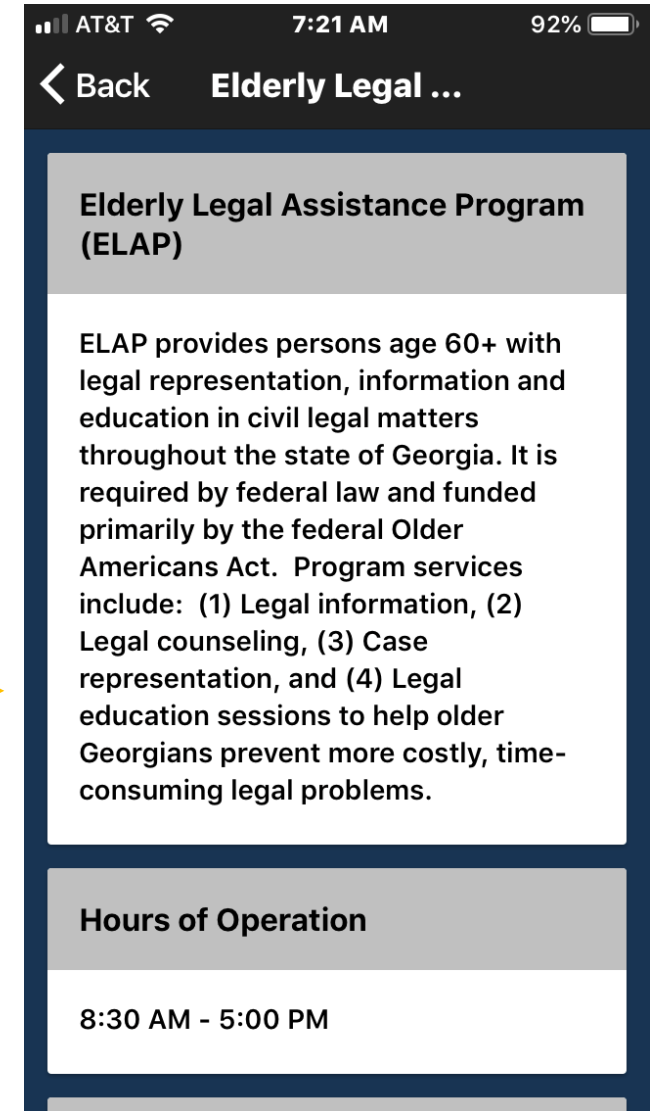
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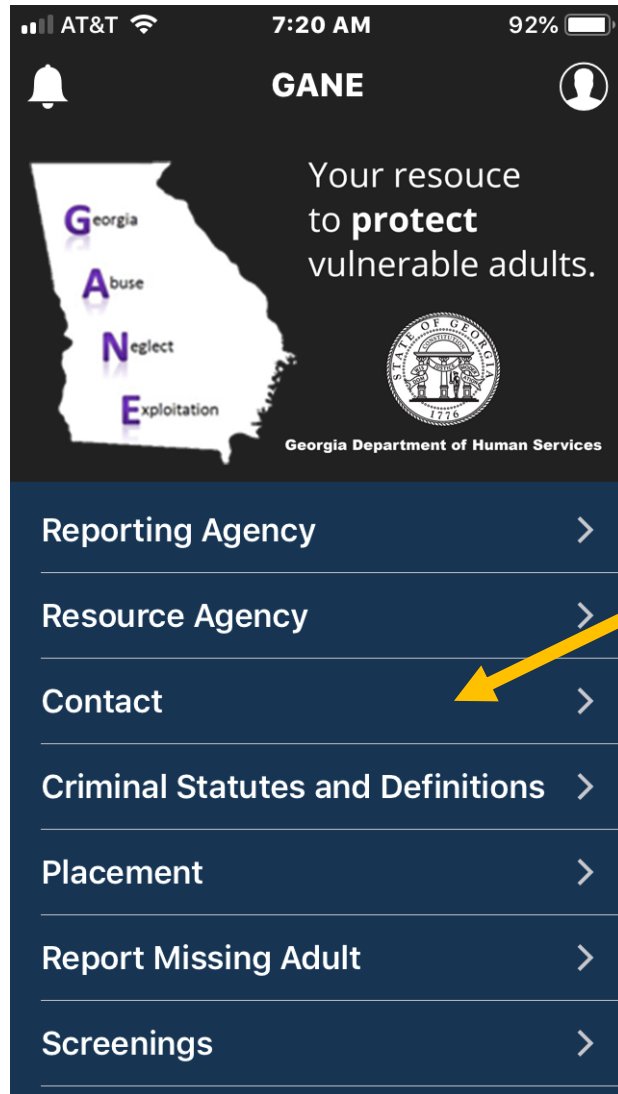
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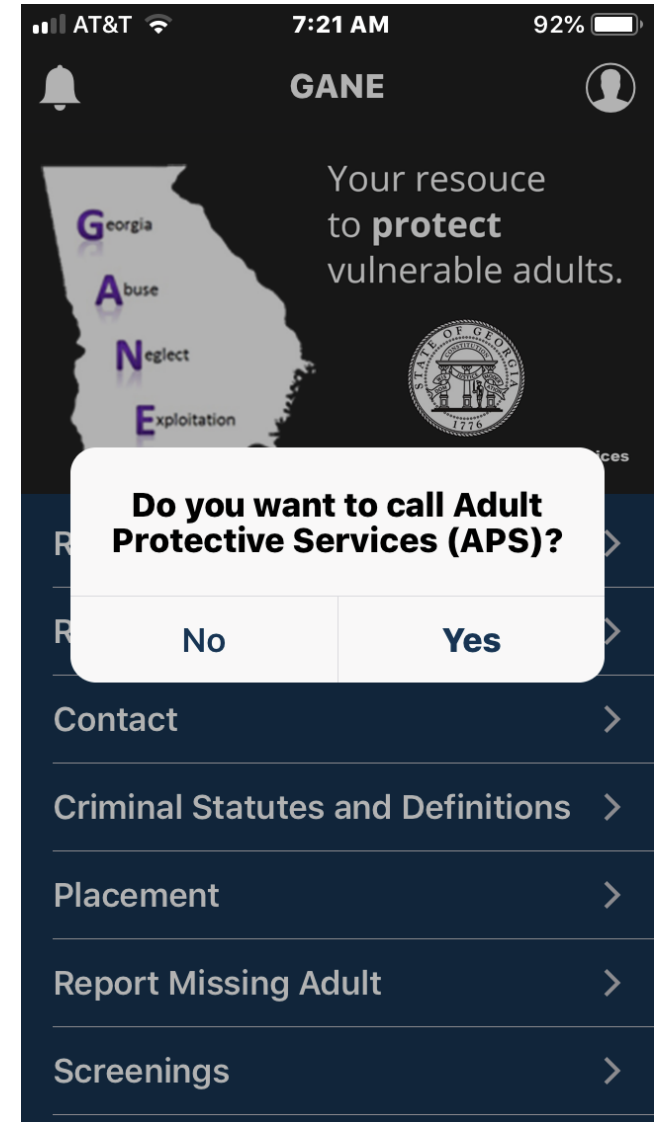
Tapping on the agency name
opens a new page that
describes
the agency, provides an
overview of services, and
contact information



Contact Tab

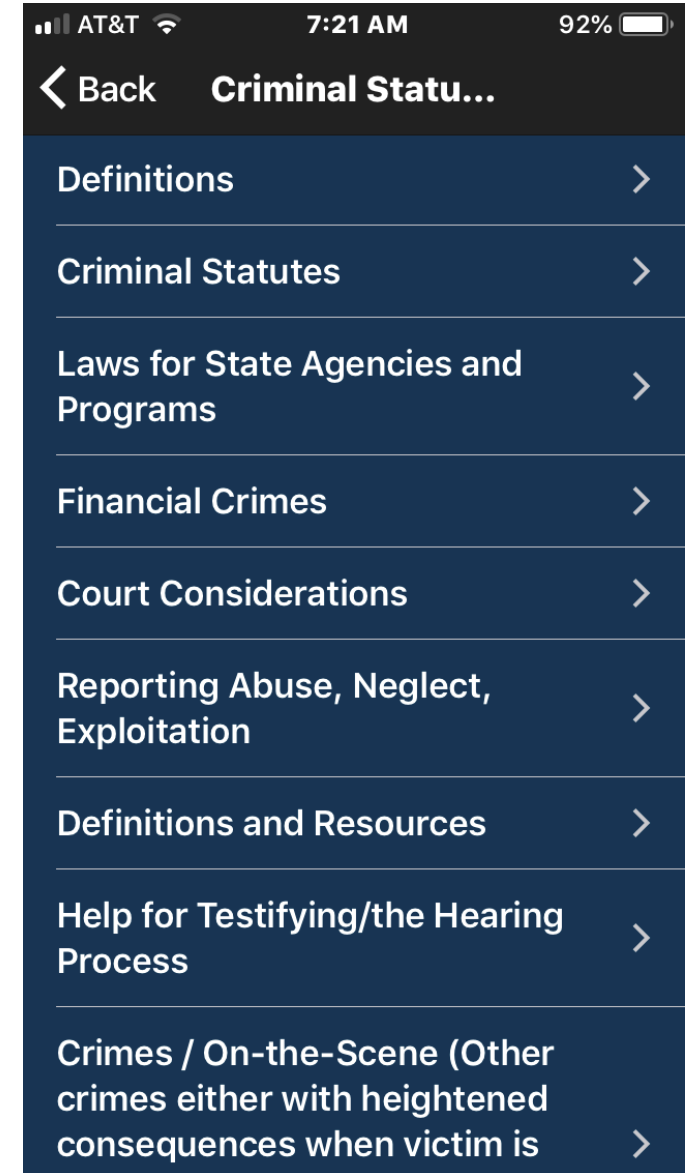
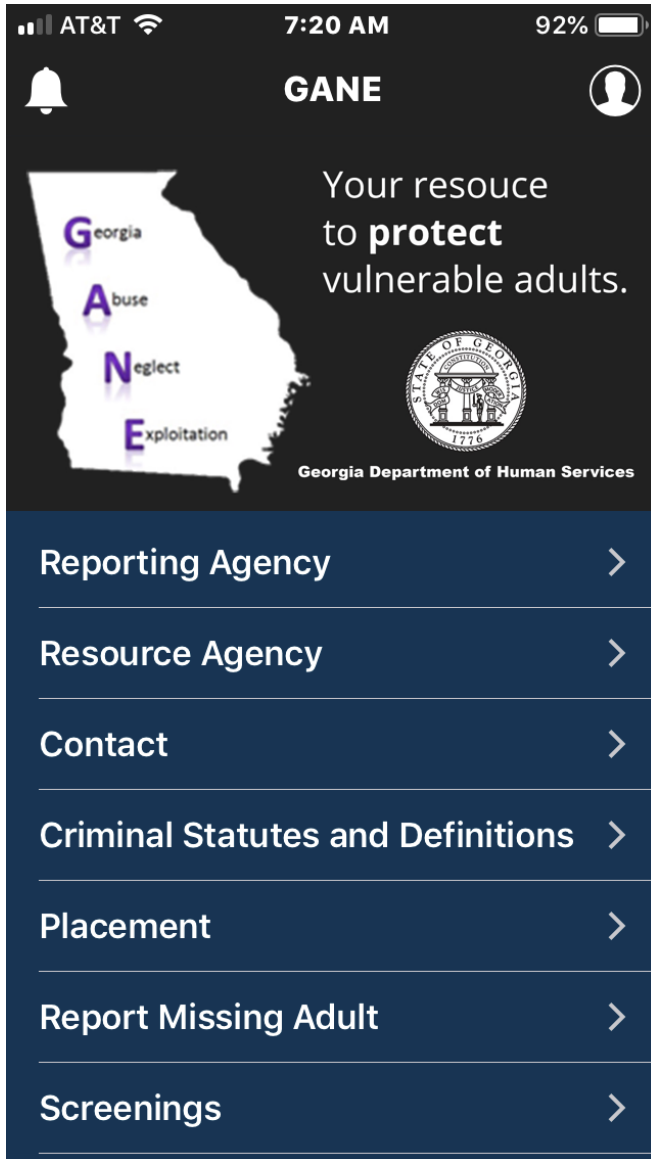


Tapping on the Contact tab will place a call to Adult Protect Services

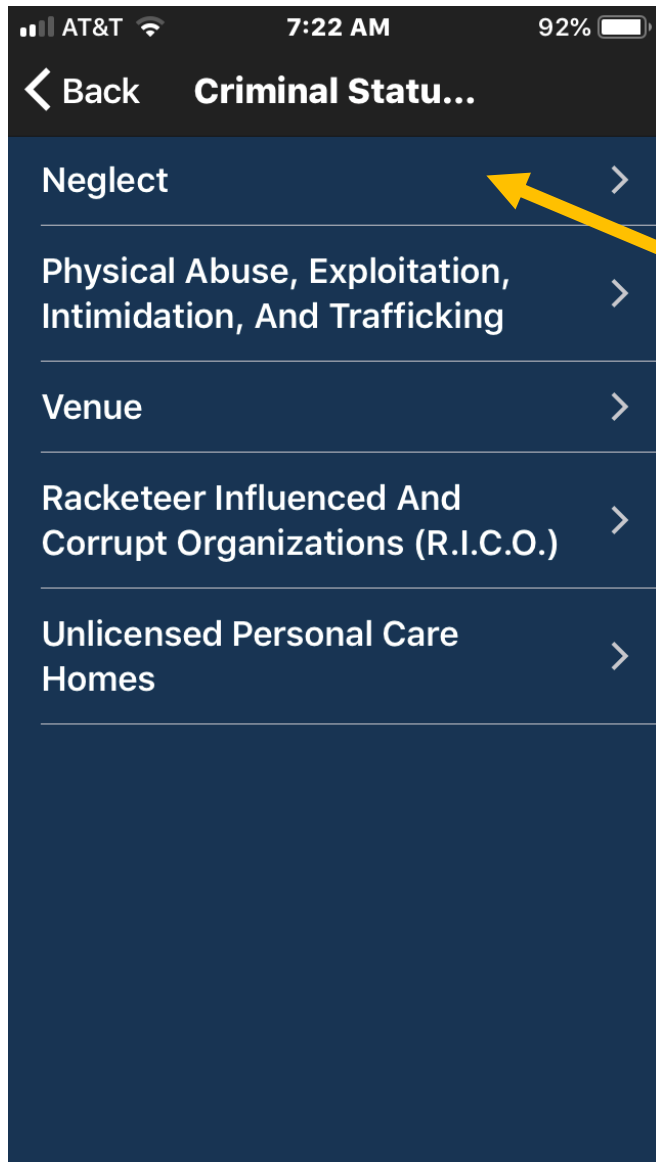


Criminal Statutes and Definitions Tab

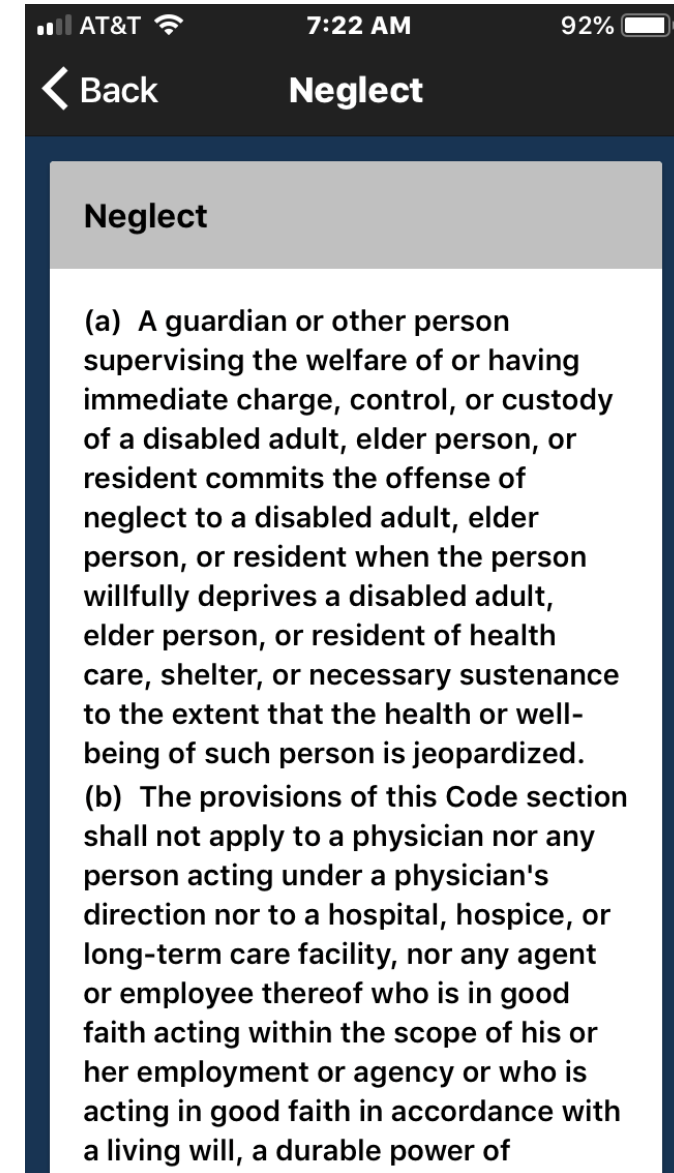
The Criminal Statutes and Definitions tab provides a list of crimes specifically related to at-risk adults and identifies crimes with enhanced penalties

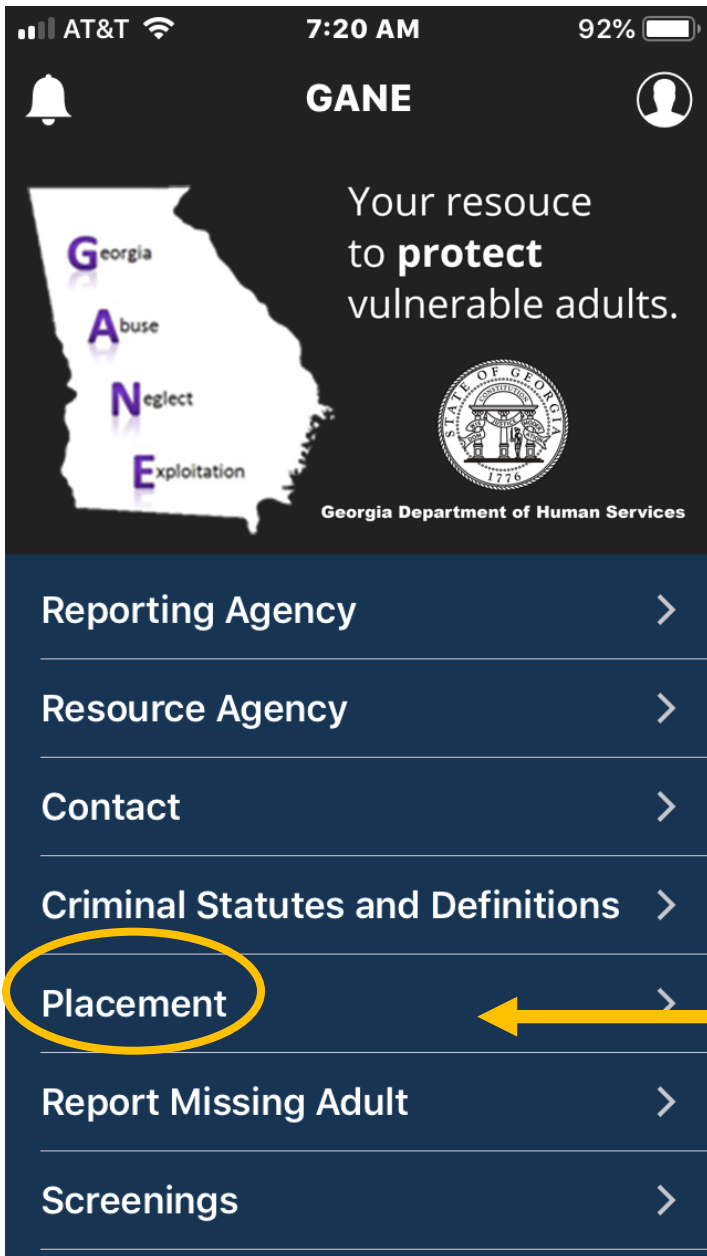


Criminal Statutes and Definitions Tab (cont.)



Tapping on specific laws will
open a copy of that
O.C.G.A. §
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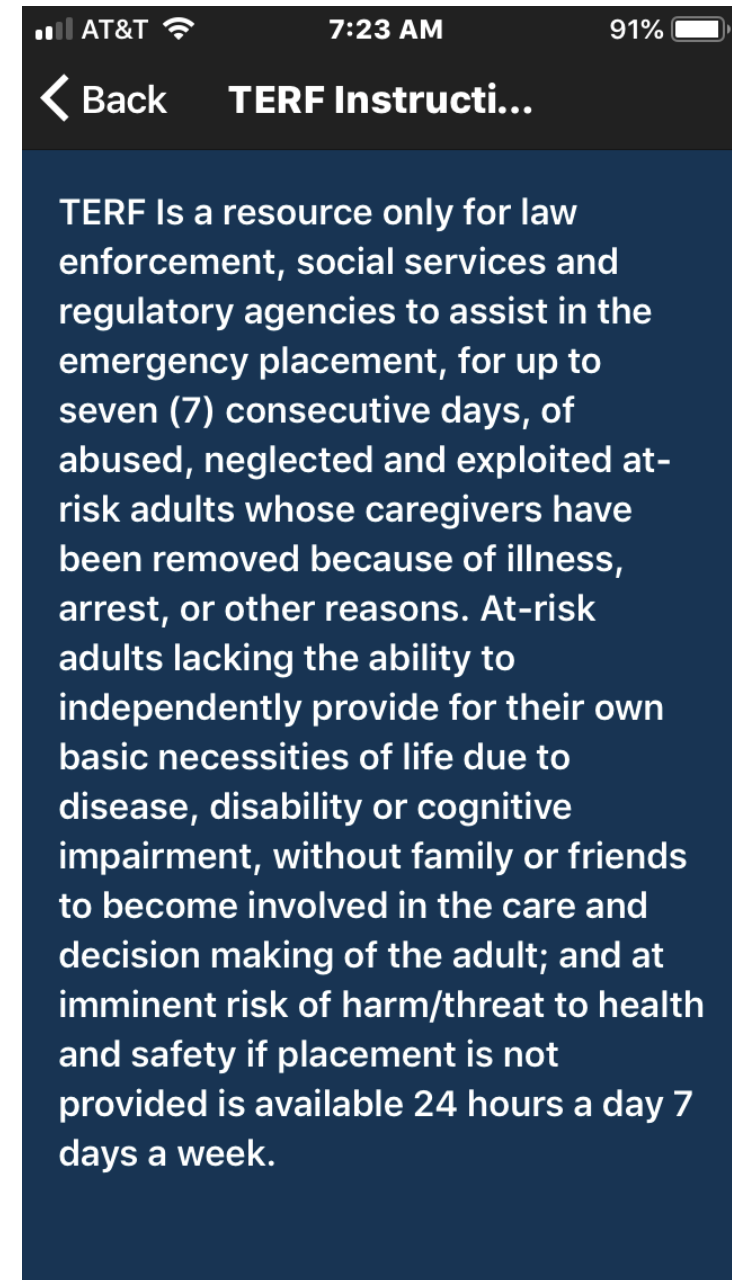




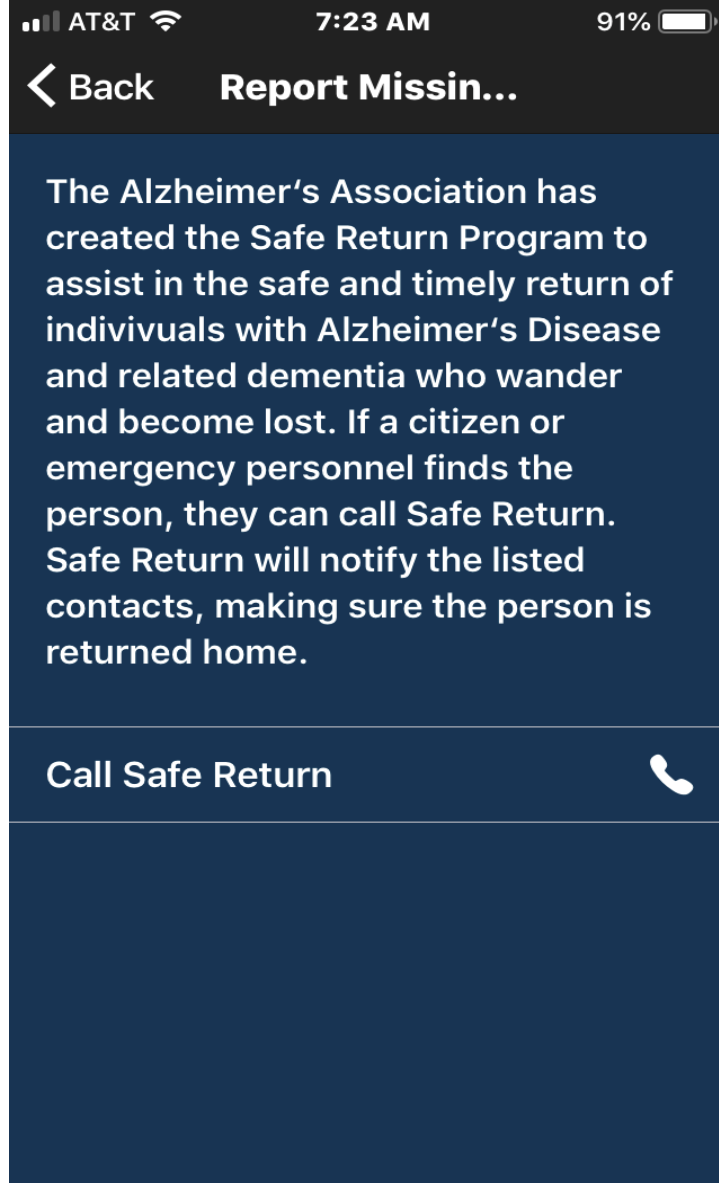
Placement Tab

Tapping on the Placement tab provides the criteria for using the TERF* program and allows the user to call TERF directly from the app

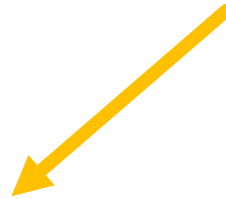
*TERF is only available to Law Enforcement, Adult Protective Services, and Healthcare Facility Regulation Division

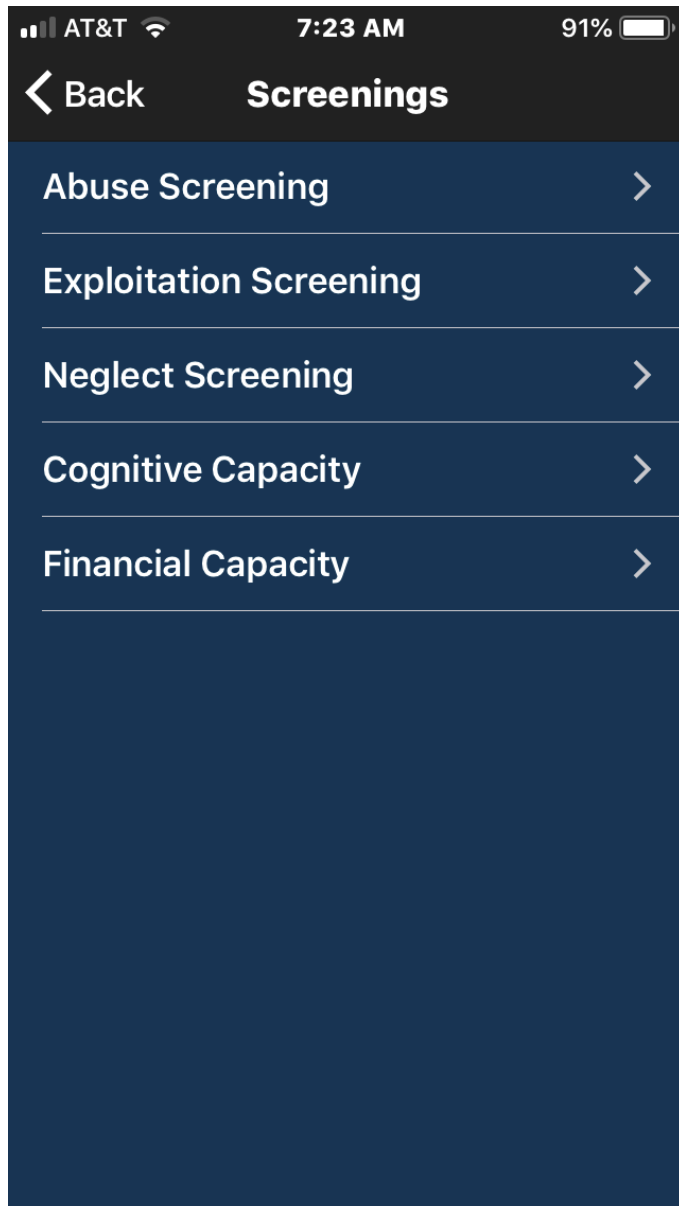


Report Missing Adult Tab



Tapping on this tab allows for the initiation of the Alzheimer's Association Safe Return Program directly through the GANE App





Screenings Tab

Each tab under the
Screening tab opens to
screening forms

The GANE App processes
the answers and makes a
determination as to
whether or not the case
should be referred to the
appropriate state agency

A screenshot of a mobile application interface showing a screening form. At the top, the status bar shows 'AT&T', signal strength, Wi-Fi, time '7:23 AM', and battery '91%'. Below the status bar is a dark blue header with a white back arrow and the text 'Abuse Screeni...'. The main content area has a dark blue background with white text. It starts with a definition: 'Abuse means willful infliction of physical pain, physical injury, sexual abuse, mental anguish, unreasonable confinement, or the willful deprivation of essential services to a vulnerable adult.' Below this is a white box with a dark blue header that says 'Check if answer is YES'. Inside this box are four questions, each followed by a white radio button: 'Has anyone hit you?', 'Have you been given medicine that made you tired or sleepy?', 'Has someone locked you up, or confined you against your will?', and 'Has someone tried to manipulate, control, or scare you?'. The bottom of the screen shows the start of a fifth question: 'Has anyone taken things'.

44% 5:04 PM

← Cognitive Capacity

Please recite the following script, and upon asking questions, please check the questions the victim answers incorrectly

Hello. My name is Officer --SAY YOUR NAME--. Can you say my name? It is very important that you remember my name. Now I am going to ask you a few questions.

Check if INCORRECTLY answered

Can you tell me what time of day it is? ☐

Can you tell me where we are? ☐

What was my name? ☐

76% 12:39 PM

← Neglect Screening

Neglect is the absence or omission of essential services to the degree that it harms or threatens with harm the physical or emotional health of a vulnerable adult.

Check if answer is YES

Does the adult have poor personal hygiene as evidenced by a noticeable odor, long and dirty fingernails, lice, or other parasites, and etc.? ☐

Have signs and symptoms of disease or injury been ignored or left untreated? ☐

Does the adult lack needed medication or medical

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← Abuse Screening

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Check if answer is YES

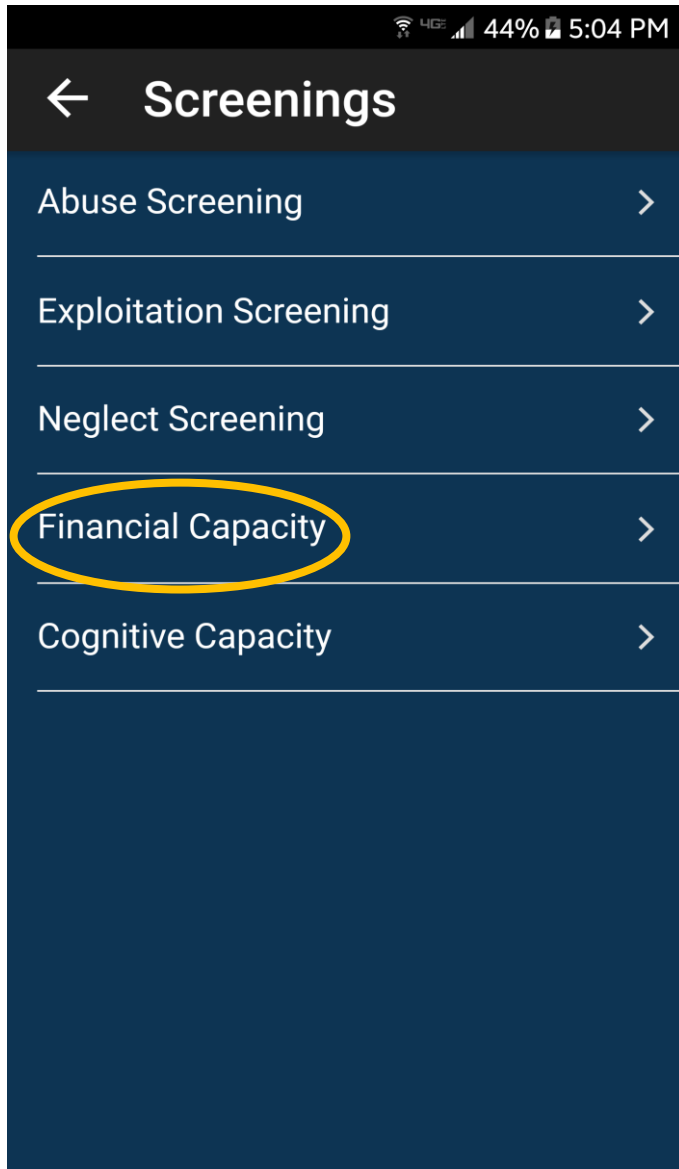
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Has someone locked you up, or confined you against your will? ☐

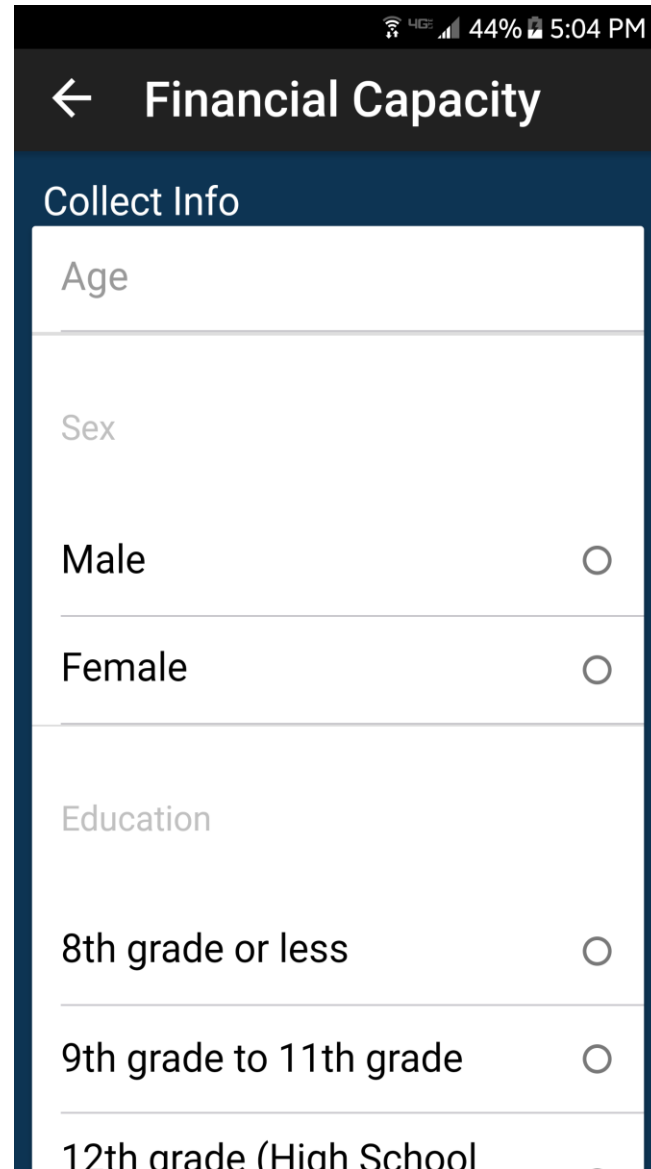
Has someone tried to manipulate, control, or scare ☐

Financial Capacity Module (law enforcement/APS)



← Screenings

- Abuse Screening >
- Exploitation Screening >
- Neglect Screening >
- Financial Capacity** >
- Cognitive Capacity >



← Financial Capacity

Collect Info

Age

Sex

Male ☐

Female ☐

Education

8th grade or less ☐

9th grade to 11th grade ☐

12th grade (High School) ☐

The Financial Capacity Module will allow law enforcement /APS identify persons at risk for diminished financial capacity (DFC) and/or financial exploitation (FE)

Identified persons will then be referred for an expanded assessment

Financial Capacity Module

Financial Capacity

American American

American Indian

Ask the person:
"How many nickels in a
\$1 bill?"

Answer: 20

Allow the person up to 20
seconds to respond.

**How was the question
answered?**

INCORRECT CORRECT

Lives with Others

SUBMIT

A series of questions are
asked of the client

The client is allowed up to
20 seconds to respond

The user enters either
"Incorrect"
or
"Correct"

Financial Capacity

American American

American Indian

Ask person:
"Over the past six
months, have you had
any problems with people
trying to take or spend
your money without your
permission?"

Allow the person up to 60

NO YES

Lives with Others

SUBMIT

Financial Capacity Module Results

Financial Capacity

American Indian

American Indian

Screening Result

A referral for an expanded DFC/FE assessment is recommended. Please click the Make Referral button below to call APS.

Cancel

Make Referral

Lives with Others

SUBMIT

After the series of questions are completed the Financial Capacity Module evaluates whether or not a referral for an expanded diminished financial capacity assessment is needed

Resources



SAFTA -Auditing Bank Records Tool

The objective of the Senior Abuse Financial Tracking and Accounting (SAFTA) Tool is to provide law enforcement with a simplified method for investigating suspicious financial patterns and prosecuting cases of suspected financial exploitation of older adults.

The Guide and related resources are available online at <https://www.theiacp.org/elder-abuse>

SAFTA was produced by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), with assistance from Webber CPA, PLLC and the National White Collar Crime Center (NW3C), and supported by the Elder Justice Initiative, U.S. Department of Justice.



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NW3C provides a nationwide support system for law enforcement and regulatory agencies tasked with the prevention, investigation, and prosecution of economic and high-tech crime

<https://www.nw3c.org/>



Certified At-Risk Adult Crime Tactics Specialist Course (CACT)



CACTS

- First class in 2010
- Modeled after the Elder Service Officer program
- Bridge the gap between social services, private sector, law enforcement
- Multidisciplinary approach to abuse



CACTS Agenda – Day 1

8:30 am to 11:30 am

- ✓ **ACT Introduction/Vulnerable Adults**
- ✓ **Georgia Law & Mandated Reporting**
- ✓ **Social Service and Regulatory Agencies in Georgia**
- ✓ **Probate Court, & Guardianship and Conservatorship**
- ✓ **Recognizing Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation**

11:30 am to 12 pm Lunch break

12 pm to 3 pm

- ✓ **Recognizing Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation (cont.)**
- ✓ **Crimes in Facilities**
- ✓ **Benefits Trafficking**



CACTS Agenda – Day 2

8:30 am to 11:30 am

✓ **Suspicious Deaths**

✓ **Financial Crimes Involving At-Risk Adults**

11:30 am to 12 pm Lunch break

12 pm to 3 pm

✓ **Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation Prosecution: An Overview**

✓ **Response to Abuse, Neglect, and Exploitation**

✓ **Test**



Questions

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