

# Stepping Up the Fight Against Elder Abuse

Strengthen Adult Protective Services

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# Aim to Accomplish

## House Bill 483: One time funding for APS

- APS Core Minimum Requirements
- State requirements
- Training Enhancements
- Planning & Grant funding



## House Bill 64: State Budget

- New funding formula
- Revisions so the Ohio Revise Code (ORC)

# Core Minimum Requirements

- **APS System Screening**
  - Intake (24/7)
- **Investigation**
  - Standardize Risk Assessment Tool
- **System Services**
  - Case Management
  - Case planning

# State Requirements

- Data and Collection Reporting System
- Ongoing Technical Assistance
- Implement a statewide APS Hotline
  - 800 number
  - Referrals will be redirected back to counties
- Training Enhancements
  - Contract with Ohio Human Services System (OHSTS)
  - Re-Boot
  - Online training
- APS State Advisory Counsel

# One Time Funding

- Innovation Grants (\$150,000)
  - Big Leaps
  - Shared services
- Capacity Building Grants (\$35,000)
  - Expand/build capacity to service
- Planning Funds (\$ 50,000)
  - Letter of Attestation
  - I-Team
  - Plan of Cooperation
  - Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)



# HB 64 – State Budget

- Flat funding - \$30,000/County
  - Most counties will receive a substantial increase
- Effective 9/29/2015

Changes to 5101.60 <sup>expenditures</sup> – 5101.72

- 5101.60 Definition of Exploitation to include Undue Influence by the Caretaker
- 5101.612 Enforce the use of the data/collection system

# HB 64 – State Budget

- **5101.621 – MOU & I Team**
  - Required signatures
  - Role and responsibilities
- **5101.622 – Authority to Contract**
- **5101.69 – Emergency Order (B) (1)**
  - ...Immediate and irreparable financial harm
- **5101.691 – Ex parte Emergency Order**
  - ... may issue by telephone ...
- **5101.62 Hearing (B) (2), (4)**
  - May freeze the financial assets of the adult...

# HB 64 – State Budget



- **5101.70 – Evaluation ability to pay**
- **5101.71 – Implementing APS**
  - (A) Provide Training
  - (B) JFS Director may adopt rules (Section 111.15)
  - Plan of proposed expenditures
  - Actual expenditures
  - Funds necessary to implement services
- **5101.72 – Reimbursing costs of providing services**



# Next Steps

- Advocacy efforts to
  - Continue to expand the counties ability to expand capacity
  - Standardize practice
  - Establish best practice
  - Pass HB 24



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