

Figure 2: Emergency Department Elder Mistreatment Assessment Tool for Social Workers (ED-EMATS)—Initial Assessment

**NEGLECT/
FUNCTIONAL
STATUS**

1. Has anyone prevented you from getting food, clothes, medication, glasses, hearing aids, medical care, or anything else you need to stay healthy (may also inquire about bathing, dressing, shopping, and banking if appropriate)?

**PSYCHOLOGICAL
ABUSE**

2. Has anyone close to you called you names, put you down, or yelled at you?
3. Has anyone close to you ever threatened to punish you or put you in an institution?
4. Have you felt afraid of anyone close to you?
5. Do you distrust anyone close to you?

**PHYSICAL
ABUSE**

6. Has anyone tried to harm or threaten you? Have you been hit, slapped, pushed, grabbed, strangled, or kicked?
7. Are there guns or other weapons in your home? Does anyone close to you have access to guns or other weapons?

**FINANCIAL
EXPLOITATION**

8. Has anyone tried to force you to sign papers against your will, or that you did not understand?
 - a. Has anyone pressured you to give them money or property?
9. Has anyone taken money or things that belong to you without asking?
10. Did you give, or feel pressure to give, money in person or over the telephone for an investment, financial opportunity, or lottery?

**SEXUAL
ABUSE**

11. Has anyone touched you in ways or places you did not want to be touched or forced you to do that to them?

**RAPPORT-
BUILDING
QUESTIONS**

- What typically causes conflict in your home? How do you resolve it?
- Describe a typical day. Who do you see? What do you do?
- Are you aware of supportive community services and crisis services? Have you ever used them?
- Are you, your caregiver, or someone close to you interested in receiving additional services or resources?