

**PROGRAM
DEFINITION**

Adult protective services provide protection to vulnerable adults who are at risk of harm due to the presence or threat of any of the following:

- Abuse.
- Neglect.
- Exploitation.

PROGRAM GOAL

This program addresses the goal of protection.

This program will:

- Begin, within 24 hours, to investigate and assess situations referred to the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) where a vulnerable adult is suspected of being or believed to be abused, neglected, or exploited.
- Assure, to the extent possible, that adults in need of protection are living in a safe and stable situation, including legal intervention, where required, in the least intrusive and restrictive manner.

**PROGRAM
ELIGIBILITY**

Program services are available to any adult who is reported to be at risk of harm from abuse, neglect, or, exploitation, and where there is a reasonable belief that the person is vulnerable and in need of protective services.

**AVAILABLE
SERVICES**

The following services are available or may be sought and utilized for APS clients:

- Protection.

The components are:

- Protective services investigation.
- Social protection.
- Financial management.

- Conservatorship/guardianship/civil commitment.

- Counseling.
- Education and training.
- Family planning.
- Health related medical examinations and evaluations.
- Home help special eligibility component.
- Homemaking.
- Housing.

Special Components:

- Emergency Shelter/Relocation Options.

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See Adult Services Glossary (ASG) for definitions.

**LEGAL
REQUIREMENTS**

The legal basis for the APS program is 1939 P.A. 280 as amended by 1982 P.A. 519, 1987 P.A. 208, 1966 P.A. 189, 1988 PA422, and 1990 PA122.