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**National Adult Protective Services conference comes to
Albuquerque this September**

SANTA FE – The 2024 National Adult Protective Services conference will be held at the Albuquerque Convention Center from September 16 through September 18.

This year's event will bring together professionals from across the country who are dedicated to protecting adults from abuse, neglect and exploitation. The programming will feature a wide range of sessions, workshops and presentations by leading experts in the field of adult protective services, offering valuable opportunities for networking, education and professional development.

"We are honored to have New Mexico chosen as the host location for this year's conference," said ALTSD Cabinet Secretary **Jen Paul Schroer**. "Our state is deeply committed to safeguarding the well-being of our older adults and adults with disabilities, and this conference represents a critical opportunity to share knowledge, best practices, and innovative solutions with our colleagues nationwide."

Some topics to be covered at the conference include the latest research and policy developments in APS, strategies for improving service delivery, and new approaches to addressing the unique challenges faced by serving this population. Attendees will also have the opportunity to participate in special sessions focused on the intersection of APS with other sectors, including healthcare, law enforcement, and social services.

"We are looking forward to holding this year's conference in Albuquerque," said **Jennifer Spoeri**, NAPSA's Executive Director. "This gathering is a unique opportunity for APS professionals to network, share cutting-edge practices, and reinforce our commitment to offer protection to vulnerable adults. We are excited to be in a state that shares NAPSA's vision."

The New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD), in collaboration with the National Adult Protective Services Association (NAPSA) are proud to sponsor the event. For more information about the conference, including registration details and agenda, please visit <https://www.napsa-now.org/>.

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The New Mexico Aging and Long-Term Services Department (ALTSD) was established in 2004 to provide resources, connection and advocacy for seniors and adults with disabilities. The department oversees the state's Area Agencies on Aging to elevate the quality of care at senior centers, offers advocacy through the Long-Term Care Ombudsman volunteer program, and provides intervention through the agency's national award-winning Adult Protective Services. Additionally, ALTSD houses the state's Aging and Disability Resource Center, which offers options counseling, education, and connection to resources. For more information about ALTSD, visit aging.nm.gov or follow us on [Facebook](#), [X \(Twitter\)](#), and [Instagram](#) @NewMexicoAging.