

# agelessalliance

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## MILESTONES IN COMBATING ELDER ABUSE

### 2000

Dr. Kerry Burnight and Dr. Laura Mosqueda create the nation's first Elder Abuse Medical Response Team. Physicians conduct housecalls with Adult Protective Services to perform medical, cognitive, and forensic evaluations.

### 2003

Burnight and Mosqueda create the Elder Abuse Forensic Center staffed by professionals from the Office of the District Attorney, UCI Geriatric medicine, social services, law enforcement, mental health, ombudsman, public guardian, and county counsel. Together the team is better able to identify and treat elder abuse victims and successfully prosecute perpetrators.



### 2006

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### 2001

Awarded a grant from the National Institute of Justice to undertake the first study of bruising in the geriatric population.



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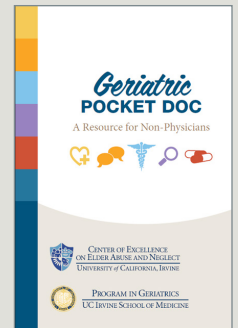


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### 2008

National Institute of Justice funds two research studies on: "People with Dementia as Witnesses to Emotional Events" and "Coroners' Investigations of Suspicious Elder Deaths." Elder Death Investigation for Coroner/ Medical Examiner Investigators course first offered.

*"How to create an Elder Abuse Forensic Center: Philosophy into Action."* [DVD and manual]

### 2013

The formation of Ageless Alliance is announced at the United States White House on World Elder Abuse Awareness Day 2013. The mission of Ageless Alliance is to eliminate elder abuse, neglect, and exploitation. This is accomplished through rigorous national collaborative efforts to raise awareness, promote advocacy, and take action. Together we can restore dignity to aging.

### 2010

Burnight appears as a guest expert on a national television program addressing the topic of elder abuse, the "Dr Phil Show".



The U.S. Department of Justice honors the Elder Abuse Forensic Center with the Award for Professional Innovation in Victim Services.



### 2015

Ageless Alliance is granted 501c3 nonprofit status and launches pilot programs to tackle the unmet needs of at-risk older adults and those who have endured elder abuse.



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OF BEING UNWANTED  
IS THE MOST  
TERRIBLE POVERTY."**



- Mother Theresa