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Women business leaders learn about elder abuse

A group of women business leaders in Chickasha called, “BOSS” Business Opportunity Support Success, met at JDanielle Salon and Color Studio in May to listen to First National Bank Executive Vice President Laurie Elzo present a presentation about knowing the warning signs and danger of abuse on the elderly from a business standpoint.

“Elder abuse is vastly under-reported,” said Elzo. “It is thought that only one in 44 cases of financial abuse is ever reported.”

In Elzo’s presentation, she pointed out abused seniors are three times more likely to die earlier and four times more likely to go into a nursing home.

“Studies show social isolation, bereavement and health issues create loneliness which contribute to vulnerability,” Elzo said.

Everyone who attended the meeting was encouraged to watch for warning signs like decline in physical appearance, changes in financial decisions and absence from normal activities in their business.

