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Regarding the question on *legislative barriers that might prevent the sharing of information in this space?*

Here is my response:

Sharing health, financial, criminal and other sensitive information related to the perpetrator(s) of elder abuse are protected by the same privacy and legislative constraints as other Victorians. While there are legal frameworks to share this information across some services (e.g. police and courts), such sharing would not extend equally to all relevant response agencies (e.g. family mediation and counseling). As such, this leaves gaps in some services' ability to fully understand the severity of a presenting case. The Law Institute of Victoria will have a better insight into this query.

Further, individual agencies may have organizational policies around data sharing; however, I do not have an overview of these policies and thus cannot comment.

With best wishes,
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