

Seminar "Interdisciplinary education to increase the safety of seniors"

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On February 8, 2024, the planned seminar "**Interdisciplinary education to increase the safety of seniors**" took place in the conference hall of the Ministry of the Interior as part of the PDP1 project "Increasing police competence in preventing and combating crime, strengthening communication skills with the public and awareness of human rights".

The aim of the seminar was the issue of domestic violence and victims of crimes from the point of view of the Criminal Code, the Act on Victims of Crime, the Act on the Police of the Czech Republic and the Civil Code, cooperation between the police and Intervention Centres and the possibility of short-term protection.

The seminar was devoted to the EAN syndrome in the elderly, who can become victims of both domestic violence, i.e. abuse of a person living in a shared dwelling, and in another type of facility, i.e. abuse of a person entrusted with care. EAN syndrome stands for elder abuse and neglect. It can be a single or repeated, intentional or even unintentional act or omission towards an elderly person that results in significant, direct or indirect physical, psychological, social or material harm or damage, or a combination thereof. The impact of a threat to property, health, life, freedom or human dignity is, in addition to the damage itself, also the emergence or deepening of a person's situational, temporary or overall vulnerability. This action or inaction may or may not constitute a crime in its intensity, and its perpetrators can be both individuals and institutions or system.

The seminar was attended by employees of the Ministry of the Interior, police officers of the Bureau of Criminal Police and Investigation Service, Directorate of Public Order Police Service and regional police directorates, and employees of the Intervention Centres.