



OPALS

Older Persons
Advocacy & Legal Service

**Legal
Advice
and**

**Social
Work
Support**

for older people



Australian Government



**World
Wellness
Group**

caxton

legal centre inc

What is OPALS?

This service offers free legal assistance and social work support to older people who have been identified in the community as being at risk of or experiencing elder abuse.

Hospital social workers

Multicultural services can make referrals of at-risk clients to an OPALS lawyer or social worker.

OPALS lawyer

A lawyer is available at the World Wellness Group either face to face or via telephone.

The OPALS lawyer and social worker are able to make home visits.

Referral pathways

Multicultural services: referral form at worldwellnessgroup.org.au

OPALS lawyers: 0400 961 090

OPALS community social worker: 0427 727 399

Training

OPALS conducts 'red flag' training on elder abuse for multicultural services and community health professionals. Contact OPALS on 0400 961 090 or OPALSTeam@caxton.org.au to arrange a training session.