

KinshipOhio

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Area(s) Served:

Butler County,
Greene County,
Warren County,
Clermont County,
Montgomery County,
Statewide,
Clinton County,
Hamilton County

Contracted Provider: Not Applicable

Description:

A Web site featuring kinship resources for Ohio "kin caregivers." The Web site is hosted by Public Children Services Association of Ohio. For more information regarding available services and County contacts download the Ohio Kinship Care GuideBook:

<http://www.odjfs.state.oh.us/forms/num/JFS%2008146/pdf/>

Kinship Care

Kinship Care refers to a temporary or permanent arrangement in which a relative or any non-relative adult who has a long-standing relationship or bond with the child and/or family, has taken over the full-time, substitute care of a child whose parents are unable or unwilling to do so. Kinship Care includes those relationships established through an informal arrangement, legal custody or guardianship order, a relative foster care placement or kinship adoption. Regardless of the type of kinship care arrangement, the kinship caregivers' voluntary commitment to devote their lives to the children in their care is a courageous, life-changing decision.

Kinship care represents the most desirable out-of-home placement option for children who cannot live with their parents. It offers the greatest level of stability by allowing children to maintain their sense of belonging and enhances their ability to identify with their family's culture and traditions.