

Texas Kincares Primer

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Overview

What is Kincares?

Kincares is a term used when a child is cared for by a non-parent family member such as a grandparent, great-grandparent, aunt, uncle, older sibling or other blood relative. Kincares includes situations where both parents live outside the home. However, kincares may also include situations where the parents live in the same home as the child, but do not have care or control over the child.



What is covered in the Manual?

In Texas, there are an estimated 600,000 children each year who are cared for a non-parent relative for at least part of the year. This publication was written to help Kincares caregivers get the information they need to successfully support themselves and their families. This manual has information for both families who have been involved with CPS and those who have not.

Is this the same as the Kinship Manual?

Please note that this manual is different from the "Kinship Manual" produced by CPS. CPS's Kinship Manual is specifically for families who have a child that CPS has found to have been abused or neglected. **For the CPS specific manual, click here.** (https://www.dfps.state.tx.us/Child_Protection/Kinship_Care/documents/KinshipManual.pdf) [2]

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