



# NYS Kinship Navigator

## Statewide Information and Resources

877-4KinInfo (877-454-6463) [www.nysnavigator.org](http://www.nysnavigator.org)

We are pleased to announce that grandparents and other relatives who are caring for children now have one statewide resource for information and referral! The **NYS Kinship Navigator Program** is designed to assist all caregivers throughout the State: from New York City to Binghamton - Rochester to Syracuse - Albany to Long Island and all points in between. Through the web address noted above, you can visit our interactive site to learn more about caregiver rights and resources. In addition, from the hours of 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. weekdays, you can receive phone consultation from an experienced Kinship Specialist.

#### Our Kinship Specialists can:

- Identify local resources for kinship caregivers and their families
- Provide information on the state and federal laws governing kinship care, schooling, special needs, medical decision making, custody, guardianship, adoption, and much more
- Mail or fax our kinship care fact sheets
- Provide a kinship care guide book
- Connect caregivers directly with services in their area and arrange in-depth interviews with experts in kinship care
- Identify eligible benefits using AARP's Benefit Check-up.

#### Our Website can provide:

- Interactive statewide mapping: click on a caregiver's county for a current list of resources
- Links to other state and local resources
- Downloadable fact sheets and county guides
- "Contact Us" links to a kinship specialist to answer questions.

Grandparents and other relatives who are caring for children are no longer without support in their search for resources, information and other assistance. Contact the **NYS Kinship Navigator Program** toll-free at 877-454-6463 and let us know what you think!

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