



Family Support New Hampshire acts to bring together the diverse leadership from existing and newly forming family resource centers and family support programs within New Hampshire under the common vision of establishing a statewide network of family support practice within New Hampshire.

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# KINSHIP NAVIGATION PROGRAM

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## Is Your Family a Kinship Arrangement?

Kinship arrangements include:

- Informal & Formal family arrangements
- Legal Guardianship
- Adoption
- Fictive Kin arrangements
- DCYF Placement/Foster Parents

The New Hampshire Kinship Navigator Program can help.

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In partnership with NH Family Resource Centers (FRCs), the Kinship Navigator Program provides free, confidential services throughout New Hampshire.

Services are community-based and easy to access through the FRC nearest you.





*“As much as I love caring for my grandson, it is costly and hard work. My Kinship Navigator helped support me so I could support him.”*

### **What Is Kinship Care?**

New Hampshire grandparent and relative caregivers play a critical role in the prevention of unnecessary entries into foster care. Despite the crucial role they play, these kinship caregivers often encounter significant challenges in their newfound role.

Kinship Navigators can help.

#### **What do Kinship Navigators do?**

They help kinship caregivers understand various community supports and services specific to their family's needs.

They help kinship caregivers access supports by guiding families through benefits & eligibility applications.

They provide emotional support to kinship caregivers in times of need.

They serve as an advocate for both kinship caregivers and children as they navigate a complex network of programs and benefits.

*For more information regarding available Kinship services, please contact the FRC nearest you. Contact information for all FRCs can be found at [www.fsnh.org](http://www.fsnh.org)*

***Rooted within NH's FRCs, the Kinship Navigators helps connects caregivers of related and non-related children to services and supports specific to their family's needs.***

#### **Kinship Navigators provide:**

- **Caregiver Education & Support**
- **Family Mentoring & Support**
- **Medical & Health Education**
- **Literacy Support**
- **Emotional Support & Advocacy**
- **Concrete Supports**
- **Systems Navigation Guidance**
- **Resource Acquisition**
- **Other services as requested...**

### **Kinship Navigation Program Locations**



### **Get in Touch!**

Go to [www.fsnh.org](http://www.fsnh.org) to find the FRC nearest you and the available services, or dial 2-1-1 from any phone in NH to speak with a Referral Specialist. For other questions about Kinship Navigation in NH, please visit [nhchildrenstrust.org/kinship](http://nhchildrenstrust.org/kinship)

