

# How Pennsylvania KinConnector Helps

Pennsylvania KinConnector helps kinship care families in numerous ways, including:

- Connecting caregivers to health, financial, and legal services
- Connecting Caregivers to training and parenting support
- Identifying local physical or behavioral health services
- Identifying support groups
- Guiding caregivers on how to apply for federal, state, and local benefits such as CHIP and Social Security, and other services designed to support caregivers
- Providing access to a compassionate KinConnector who will listen and provide supportive guidance

## How to reach Pennsylvania KinConnector

1-866-KIN-2111 (1-866-546-2111)

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**KinConnector**  
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Providing guidance,  
advice, and support for  
kinship care families  
throughout Pennsylvania.

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## **Kinship Matters**

Kinship care is becoming more common in Pennsylvania with thousands of children being raised by grandparents or other relative and non-relative caregivers.

Children in kinship care will experience better outcomes when they are living with a relative or someone they know.

Those who choose to provide kinship care often make a selfless choice to care for a child and ensure they receive love and support from someone they know and trust.

While extremely rewarding, kinship care can be challenging – financially, emotionally, and socially – for the caregivers and the children they are raising.

## **The Pennsylvania KinConnector Program was created to help:**

The Pennsylvania KinConnector program was created by Act 89 of 2018 to be a resource for grandparents and other relative or non-relative caregivers who are raising children in the state of Pennsylvania. Pennsylvania KinConnector is a bridge that helps kinship care families identify multiple sources of assistance, including local, state, federal, and private resources.

The Pennsylvania KinConnector Program is staffed by KinConnectors – compassionate and knowledgeable social service professionals dedicated to helping kinship care families thrive.

