



Kinship Foster Care Checklist

- Complete the Kinship Assessment via SHINES for immediate placements w/kin caregivers (**Immediately-with in the first 30 days**)
- Submit Kinship Non-Safety Waivers (**completed by county of custody**)
- Start ERR for relatives with a completed Kinship Assessment ***remember 120 payment cut off***
- Kinship caregivers complete Impact Training
- Refer to a CPA when appropriate for impact and home study evaluations
- Approve Kinship Foster Homes-120 Days

Income

- Consider flexibility regarding income verification
- Assess how they are maintaining sufficiency
 - What other resources help to maintain deficits



Sleeping Arrangements

- Consider flexibility for those who have limited living space
 - Some rooms other than bedrooms may need to be used as sleeping spaces
 - A child over the age of one sharing a room with an adult
 - More than three children sharing a bedroom
- **The circumstances of these situations must be carefully assessed considering the background and history of children involved**



Before Denying a Kinship Resource

TIPS:

- Review Policy 22.6!
- Discuss alternative solutions with caregivers and county staff.
- Request to review concerns w/OPM and/or the DFCS Kinship Director-
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Georgia's Kinship Policy Live on ODIS!

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