



First 30 Days: Professional Support Checklist

For workers, schools, health providers and community programs supporting a new kinship placement. Not every family needs every item. Use it to identify what is urgent, what can wait and who owns each follow-up.

First 72 hours

- ☐ Immediate safety and after-hours contact are clear.
- ☐ Caregiver has essential medication, health information, clothing and school / child care contacts.
- ☐ Current legal arrangement and authority are identified.
- ☐ Parent and sibling contact expectations are written or clearly explained.
- ☐ Immediate food, transportation, housing or financial crisis is identified.

Week 1

- ☐ School / child care knows the correct caregiver contact and authority arrangement.
- ☐ Health follow-up and medication continuity are addressed.
- ☐ GACP / Child Protection status is clarified where applicable.
- ☐ Benefits or financial-support applications have a starting point.
- ☐ Important siblings, relatives and other child connections are identified.

Weeks 2 to 4

- ☐ Caregiver has a named contact for unresolved system questions.
- ☐ Respite, peer support and caregiver wellbeing are discussed.
- ☐ Any housing or transportation issue has an active referral.
- ☐ Child's views, routines and what helps them feel settled are documented appropriately.
- ☐ Next review date, permanency / reunification plan or decision point is known.



First 30 Days: Follow-up Record

Caregiver

Lead contact

Placement / care arrangement

Review date

Issue / owner / due date

What the caregiver says is hardest right now

What is working well