

# Kinship Connection Diagram

The Kinship Connection Diagram is a pictorial representation of a family's connections to their extended family, kinship families, persons, and/or systems in their environment. For use with families, siblings, or caregivers as the focus. Information from this form can be utilized to complete a full Family Network Diagram that captures the strength, impact, and quality of the connections.

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Paternal Aunts/Uncles

Paternal Grandparents

Parents

Maternal Grandparents

Maternal Aunts/Uncles

Paternal Cousins

Family Friends – Other

Focus

Siblings

Maternal Cousins

Neighbors - Other

Previous Relationships

Children

School - Community

Activities – Work - Church

The above list of family connections are not exhaustive; multiple sheets can be used and the information should be updated regularly. See back side for additional information.

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- Potential kinship connections can include:
- Maternal grandparents
  - Maternal aunt/uncle
  - Paternal grandparents
  - Paternal aunt/uncle
  - Adult Sibling
  - Friend of parent
  - Neighbor
  - Parent of child's friend
  - Pastor/Church member
  - Coach/Mentor
  - Teacher or other school staff
  - Childcare/Daycare provider
  - Landlord
  - Family of parents' boyfriend/girlfriend
  - First cousin & first Cousin-once removed
  - Half-siblings' grandparent/aunt/uncle/cousin
  - Great-grandparent
  - Great-aunt/uncle
  - Previous service provider/therapist
  - Friend of grandparent
  - Friends of the family
  - Distant family members
  - Family of friends/high school friends
  - Parents' friends

## Notes and/or Family Tree Information

### Things to consider and ask about to help define kinship connections:

When away from the home, what activity do you spend your largest amount of time? Who is present, or also involved, in this activity?

Where do you usually see extended family? How often do you see them? What type of whole-family activities have you done together?

What community organizations or agencies have you been involved with in the past? What is your work history?

Who goes to school in your family? What schools have you attended? Do you spend time at anyone's house?

Which social groups are you involved with? Does your family attend any community/church/club events?

### Optional Relationship Symbols

Strong	-----	Deceased	<input type="checkbox"/> X
Stressful	~~~~~	Energy Flow	→
Separated	---/--/---	Cohabitation	---🏠---