



KINSHIP CARES ENHANCED NAVIGATOR PROGRAM SCRIPT FOR FIRST AND SECOND HOME VISITS

You have been randomly picked to be part of the group [receiving the additional kinship services / receiving the regular Kinship services]. [If assigned to the regular services group, add the following] While I know most families might want to receive these additional services, we are testing their effectiveness and so we are limited in the number of families that can receive them. We cannot change the group to which you have been assigned. Your participation is voluntary, but we hope you will agree to help programs like ours improve services to children and caregivers.

I will complete a number of questionnaires with your help on my next few visits. These questionnaires will determine your eligibility for cash assistance and help us understand any of your needs for other services. Some of these questions are of a personal nature and you may decline to answer or end the interview at any time if you have any concerns or feel uncomfortable. However, you may find the questionnaires interesting and fun to complete. Of course, all of your responses will be kept confidential.

I would like to start with our informed consent. This consent describes more fully how we are asking you to work with us. [Allow caregiver to read consent or read it to the caregiver if you are not sure of their reading ability; ask if they have any questions and summarize the main points; have the caregiver sign two copies and you countersign each; leave one copy with the caregiver].

OK, now let us begin. [Complete Profile Form] I am going to ask you a number of questions about you, how you became a kinship caregiver, and about the children under your care. We will also determine your income eligibility for the wrap-around program.

Great! [Complete PSI or SIPA] This questionnaire contains a number of statements. Read each statement carefully. [if more than one kin child in the house] Please think about the child you are concerned about the most and circle the response which best represents your opinion. The choices are 'Strongly Disagree,' 'Disagree,' 'Not Sure,' 'Agree,' and 'Strongly Agree.' Although you may not find a response that exactly states your feelings, please circle the response that comes closest to describing how you feel. Your first reaction

to each question should be your answer. Circle only one response for each statement and respond to all statements. If you need to change the answer, cross out the incorrect answer and circle the correct response.” There are no right or wrong answers.

[Family Needs Scale] This next questionnaire was designed to provide reliable information about the needs of kinship families. The questionnaire asks questions about different types of needs that you may or may not have. There are no right or wrong answers. Read each statement and circle the one number in each row that best describes how they feel about needing help in that area. The number five means you almost always need help while number one means that you almost never need help in that area. *[After completion, remember to probe and record the detail for the “Almost Always” needs]*

[END DAY 1 ABOUT HERE] We are going to end here today. I would like to return on _____ to complete a few more forms with you.

[Caregiver Health Survey] This questionnaire asks for your view about your health. This information will help us keep track of how you feel and how well you are able to do your usual activities.

[Health Questionnaire – child] These questions are about the children you are caring for in order to help us understand their health and the affect that their health and behavior has on you. I will ask you the same group of questions for each of your kinship children.

[Social Support Survey] People often look to others for various types of support. How often is each of the following kinds of support available to you if you needed it? Circle only one number on a line corresponding to how often that support is available.

[Family Service Plan] *[Discuss the priority needs to be addressed and begin the development of the plan]*