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DANE COUNTY KINSHIP CARE RESOURCES

Kinship care is like a big family hug for children needing a safe haven when parents can't be there. It keeps them close to family, offering comfort and stability.

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Kinship Care: Where family bonds shine brightest, guiding children through storms with love and familiarity

In **Kinship Care**, family ties become the threads that weave a strong support system for children in need

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WEEKLY PARENTING SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Have questions about navigating mental health services in Dane County for your child? Feel like you could use some kinship parenting support? Are you finding that stress is impacting your ability to put parenting plans in place?

Come chat with the out-of-home care Behavioral Health Specialist, **Kelsey Schroeder-Gasser**. Kelsey is a Marriage and Family Therapist with her substance use specialty and has worked with children, youth and families for the last 12 years in clinical and crisis settings.

Kelsey will be hosting a **weekly ZOOM meeting for kin parents** to drop in for check ins/support. This will be hosted every **TUESDAY FROM 11AM-1PM**.

Contact information:

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SUMMER CAMPS



Plan your best summer ever! <u>The MSCR Summer 2024 Program</u>

<u>Guide</u> is available and is filled with a variety of fun activities for all ages. It includes arts and enrichment, boating, camps, fitness, paddling, sports, adapted recreation, swimming and tennis programs. MSCR offers a variety of camps for grades

Kindergarten to 9. From arts to fitness, sports to nature explorations

WISCONSIN BENEFITS & PROGRAMS



Wisconsin has the following benefits and programs available for assistance with health, nutrition, child care, and employment. For more detailed information about each program, visit:

- www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/forwardhealth/resources.htm
- https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/childcare
- https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/w2/parents

VIRTUAL GROUP: KINnect Relative Caregivers Of

Children

Join us for this opportunity to connect with other relative caregivers who are the primary caregivers of their grandchildren, nieces, and nephews as a way to share the joys and challenges of being a relative caregiver. Meetings will continue to be held virtually on the 4th Thursday of every month from 11am-12pm. Join us! Monthly topics:

- April 25th Generational Parenting
- May 23rd Navigating Birth Parent Relationships
- June 27th Open Discussion

Please contact wifcc@cclse.org with questions



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