

# Grandparents as Caregivers Program

This desk aid compares the State Funded Grandparents as Caregivers Program (GA GP) to the Federal (TAF) Grandparents as Caregivers Program (GP CG). The State Funded GA GP Program ends June 30, 2009.

Criteria	Then – State Funded Program	Now- Federal Funded Program
ES-3100.9 - Grandparents as Caregivers Assistance Application	Two pages, only applicable to GA GP	Six pages, only applicable to GP CG
Interview needed?	Yes	Yes
Child's status	Must live with grandparent or relative who has <u>legal custody</u> .	Must live with a relative (grandparent), legal guardian or custodian. Relationship must be within the <u>fifth degree</u> of kinship. See KEESM 2220. Legal custody not required.
Minimum age for grandparent/relative	50	No age requirements.
Maximum age limit for child	Under 18 years of age or under age 21 if in secondary or post secondary school.	Under 18 years of age or under age 19 if pursuing high school diploma or GED.
Income limit*	Household income must be less than 130% of federal poverty level.	Child's monthly unearned income must typically be less than \$168.
Resources/Asset limit*	None	Child's assets (savings, checking account) must be less than \$2000.
Typical monthly cash payment	The benefit amount was \$200 for one child, \$400 for two children and \$600 for three children or more.	The benefit amount is based on Table II – TAF Shared Living.
Support services?	Yes	No
CSE cooperation required?	No	Yes- Good cause rules may apply.
Child Care Assistance	Subtype was EM - Income under 185% poverty level, both adult's and child's income counted, must cooperate with CSE, GA GP grant was exempt, possible family share deduction.	Subtype is JO. ES-3100 used to request services, only child's income is considered, must cooperate with CSE, no family share deduction.
When must the ES-3100 be used?	When applying for the additional services (such as child care, medical care, food assistance or TAF assistance for the grandparent/caretaker needs).	When applying for the additional services (such as child care, medical care, food assistance or TAF assistance for the grandparent/caretaker needs.)
Program type?	In KAECSES was "GA GP."	In KAECSES is "AF."

\*If caregivers also request TAF cash assistance for themselves, the adult's finances are also considered for family eligibility.