<u>Payments for kinship guardianship assistance program</u> connections to twenty-one (KGAP C21).

- (A) The maximum amount of the monthly kinship guardianship assistance program connections to twenty-one (KGAP C21) payment is to be equal to or less than the kinship guardianship assistance program (KGAP) payment that was provided to the kinship caregiver at the time of the young adult being committed to their legal custody or guardianship, unless the Ohio department of job and family services (ODJFS) and the family agree to negotiate a lower monthly rate.
- (B) If the kinship/guardianship young adult receives supplemental social security income (SSI) benefits, the kinship/guardianship young adult may receive KGAP C21 and SSI concurrently. If there is concurrent receipt of payments from both programs, the social security administration will decrease the monthly SSI benefit by the monthly KGAP C21 payment amount. It is the responsibility of the kinship/guardianship custodian(s) to advise the social security administration that the kinship/guardianship young adult is in receipt of KGAP C21 funds.
- (C) If ODJFS and the kinship caregiver(s) cannot mutually agree on the monthly KGAP C21 payment amount after negotiating for at least thirty days, ODJFS is to provide the kinship caregiver(s) with the following:
 - (1) A written notice which is to contain a clear and understandable statement that all parties were not in agreement and the right to a state hearing.
 - (2) The JFS 04059 "Explanation of State Hearing Procedures."

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