

## Our Family-Based Model Ensures:



**The Rights of Anishinaabe Children & Youth are inherent and forever in all care practices.**

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Niijaansinaanik Child and Family Services is licensed by the Ministry of Children, Community, and Social Services (MCCSS) to approve Alternative Care Homes.

### Who We Serve:

Henvey Inlet, Dokis, Magnetawan, Shawanaga, Wasauksing, and Wahnapiatae.

*\*Indigenous, Métis, and Inuit Children & Families in the Parry Sound and Nipissing District*

**Let's keep our children in our communities!**



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# Niijaansinaanik

Child and Family Services

## Alternative Care



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**Niijaansinaanik  
OUR CHILDREN**

# Become an Alternative Caregiver today!

Make a positive difference in a child's life

Provide a child with a safe home

Maintain cultural and community connection



## Support provided to our Alternative Caregivers

-  24-Hour support
-  Culturally appropriate, holistic services
-  In-Home support between caregiver and children/youth
-  Resources to meet needs of child(ren) and families
-  Training and educational opportunities
-  Relief/Screened support
-  Financial support

# What is Alternative Care ?

Alternative Care provides family-based residential care, routine, physical, mental, emotional and spiritual support to children in need of protection and out of home placement, inclusive of:

**Customary Care:** Care and supervision of a First Nation, Inuit or Métis child by a person who is not the child's parent, according to the custom of the child's band or First Nation, Inuit or Métis community.

**Alternative Care:** The provision on a daily basis of all the essential elements of family life that a child/youth needs. The child/youth can be quite readily integrated into the alternative caregiver's family and have their needs met by following the family's normal daily routines.

**Kinship Care:** Pre-existing relationship between the alternative caregiver and the child/youth that requires out-of-home placement. May be a familial relationship or an adult with no blood relation, clan affiliation, but who has played a significant role in the life of the affected child/youth.

