

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Educational Program

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Grandparents Raising Grandchildren is adapted from the award-winning satellite videoconference program initially broadcast in January 1999. The University of Wisconsin - Extension, Purdue Cooperative Extension, and the AARP Grandparent Information Center have developed the video program into an educational package for use by grandparent support groups, by agencies training staff, and by anyone interested in exploring the concerns of grandparent caregivers.

Grandparents Raising Grandchildren is a flexible program, designed for easy use in either one- or two-hour sessions. It contains a video, divided into three modules; a facilitator's guide to successful group leadership; and step-by-step instructions for using the video, guiding group discussion and conducting activities. The modules may be used as a series or as independent units to fit your needs.

- Module 1: Issues and Concerns Examines the issues and concerns facing
 grandparents raising grandchildren as well as the resources and support they need. It
 also offers statistics on grandparents and census information, and takes a look at case
 studies.
- Module 2: Local Community Responses Includes examples of successful local programs and offers ways to identify local needs and build community programs.
- Module 3: State and National Responses and Resources Explores ways some states have responded to the needs of grandparents raising grandchildren and provides information about national organizations and the resources they offer.

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