**Section 120.309 Caretaker Relative**

a) The caretaker relative is the specified relative with whom the child is living. When a dependent child lives with a parent that parent shall be designated as the caretaker relative.

b) Every MANG(C) case shall have one person designated as the caretaker relative. The caretaker relative does not have to meet a minimum or a maximum age requirement and if the caretaker relative is included in the assistance unit, this person shall no longer be considered a dependent child. No person shall serve as caretaker relative for more than one AFDC grant case at the same time, except for an AFDC-U parent whose child's eligibility is based on the lack of parental support or care of that child's other parent.

c) An exception to the above shall occur when no specified relative is immediately available to act as a caretaker relative. (In this situation, another person may serve as a Temporary Caretaker for a period not to exceed 90 days.) "Living with" requirements of the child(ren) are the same as with a caretaker relative. The Temporary Caretaker will not be included in the assistance unit.

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