

Frequently Asked Questions:

Will enrollment in EFMP affect my opportunity to deploy?

No. All Service Members enrolled in EFMP remain world-wide deployable and assignable.

Will EFMP enrollment hurt my chances for promotion?

No. Promotion and selection boards DO NOT have access to your EFMP status.

Will enrollment limit duty assignments?

No. EFMP will assist in coordinating a duty station that will meet both the career and EFM's needs. This can be accompanied or unaccompanied.

Why should I enroll in EFMP?

By enrolling, you are ensuring the needs of your family are being met while allowing you to focus on your job and mission readiness.

Will my command be notified of my enrollment in EFMP?

Battalion level Commanding Officers or higher are able to request a list of EFMP enrolled Service Members in their unit. However, this list does not include any detailed information about diagnosis or specific needs, nor will it be released to other unit personnel. Any further enrollment information will be kept confidential, unless written authorization is received from the enrolled Service Member.



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What is the Exceptional Family Member Program?

The Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) assists Active Duty Service Members in managing the dual demands of a military career and having a family member with special needs, whether medical, emotional or educational.

The purposes of EFMP is to give consideration to the special needs of the family member during the assignment process and help minimize the disruption that those needs might have upon the family during relocation.

Who Qualifies for EFMP ?

An Exceptional Family Member (EFM) is any dependent enrolled in DEERS who requires special medical or educational services based upon a diagnosed chronic physical, intellectual, or emotional need.

Enrollment in EFMP is mandatory per MCO 1754.4B and SECNAV-INST 1754.5B.

How do I enroll?

- Contact the nearest EFMP office for assistance and information
- Pick-up or download the required enrollment forms:
 - DD 2792 Medical Summary
 - DD 2792-1 Special Education/Early Intervention Summary*
- When complete, return the forms to the EFMP office for processing

* The DD 2792-1 must be completed for all children in school, regardless of diagnosis, and an Individual Education Plan (IEP), Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP) or 504 plan must be attached if applicable.

Resources

ECHO: Additional TriCare coverage for durable medical equipment, ABA Therapy and in-home support based upon qualifying conditions. 866-212-0442
www.tricare.mil/ECHO

DOD Special Needs Toolkit: Comprehensive information and tools to help military families with special needs children navigate the maze of medical and special education services, community support, benefits and entitlements.
www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil

STOMP (Specialized Training of Military Parents): A federally funded Parent Training and Information Center established to assist military families who have children with special education or health needs. 800-575-7368
www.stompproject.org

UCP One-Stop Resource Guides: Resources for every state and territory.
www.ucp.org

Benefits

- Family support through an assigned case worker
- Eligibility for respite care
- Eligibility for the TriCare Extended Care Health Options (ECHO)
- Support at IEP meetings
- Special housing consideration, based upon medical necessity
- EFMP attorney assistance
- Relocation assistance
- Support Groups
- Workshops and trainings
- Resources, referrals and more!