



DIRECTORATE OF PREVENTION, RESILIENCE AND READINESS

EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAM

FACTSHEET

The Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) is a mandatory enrollment program that works with other military and civilian agencies to provide comprehensive and coordinated community support, housing, and educational and medical services to Families with special needs. The Army considers these special needs when assigning such Families to a new post.

Who is considered an exceptional Family member?

An exceptional Family member is someone with a physical, emotional, developmental or intellectual disorder that requires special treatment, therapy, education, training or counseling and who meets the eligibility criteria, as defined below.

- ➔ Someone who has a potentially life-threatening condition and/or chronic medical/physical condition, a current and/or chronic mental health condition, a diagnosis of asthma or another respiratory-related diagnosis, a diagnosis of attention deficit disorder and/or attention deficit hyperactivity disorder
- ➔ A Family member who requires adaptive equipment, assistive technology devices and/or architectural considerations
- ➔ A Family member who has special education needs

If someone in your Family is in one of the categories above, you should make an appointment at your local medical treatment facility EFMP office to start the enrollment process.

Enrollment in the EFMP also ensures that Family members' documented medical and educational needs receive consideration during assignment coordination. The program has three components: identification and enrollment of a Family member with special medical or educational needs, assignment coordination to determine the availability of services at a Soldier's projected duty station, and support to help Families identify and access programs and services.

Enrollment is mandatory for Soldiers. Although Department of the Army Civilian employees are not required to enroll, they must identify Family members with special education needs or medical needs each time they go through the process to take an assignment outside of the U.S., for which Family member travel is authorized at government expense.

E-EFMP

The Integrated Army Enterprise EFMP system enables EFMP enrollment, reenrollment, disenrollment, assignment coordination, OCONUS Family member travel screening and Family support actions virtually, using CAC/DS log-on.

EFMP Families have 24/7 computer-based access to E-EFMP using the DOD self-service log-on. Spouses and Family members older than 18 can complete the screening application remotely by computer. The online forms will cloud-save data, limiting the need to reenter it in the future, and case files will automatically move with the Soldier and Family throughout their Army career.

Enrollment

Soldiers who are in the Army Married Couples Program are required to enroll in the EFMP if they have a Family member who qualifies. This process will ensure that the assignment manager of each sponsor considers the Family's special needs. EFMP enrollment is done online by completing the automated DD FM 2792 (Family Member Medical Summary) and/or DD Form 2792-1 (Special Education/Early Intervention Summary at <https://efmp.army.mil>).

Resources

For more information regarding E-EFMP, please visit the program's website: <https://efmp.army.mil/EnterpriseEfmp/>.

Army MWR Exceptional Family Member Program Overview: <https://www.armymwr.com/programs-and-services/personal-assistance/exceptional-family-member-program>

Military OneSource Exceptional Family Member Program Overview: <https://www.militaryonesource.mil/family-relationships/special-needs/exceptional-family-member/>

Army Regulation (AR) 608-75: Exceptional Family Member Program: https://armypubs.army.mil/epubs/DR_pubs/DR_a/pdf/web/AR608-75_Web_FINAL.pdf

Exceptional Family Member Program overview—Army Medical Department: <https://efmp.amedd.army.mil/index.html>