



# FACT SHEET

## U.S. Air Force Fact Sheet

### MOUNTAIN HOME AIR FORCE BASE HOSPITAL- EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAM

#### What is Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)?

The EFMP assignment process is specifically designed to:

- Identifies family members requiring special medical or educational services and assists in family relocation when a medical or special education requirement exists.
- Checks for resource availability in both military and civilian communities.
- TRICARE assists families in finding resources on base and in the community.
- Does not affect promotion.
- Does not prevent members from being reassigned.
- Enrollment is mandatory if a family member has special needs.



#### What is a Special Need?

A medical special need is one that requires specialized care (e.g., psychology, social work, urology, neurology, psychiatry, developmental pediatrics, etc.) for an ongoing, chronic illness.

An educational special need is one that requires special educational services in order to progress academically. These services are identified on an Individualized Education Plan or Individualized Family Service Plan and may include, but are not limited to: resource rooms, psychological services, occupational or physical therapy, or adaptive equipment.

Overseas, the Educational and Developmental Intervention Service (EDIS) is a congressionally mandated program that provides medical and/or educational specialty services to children with special needs, ages birth to 21. EDIS services are based on Medical Treatment Facility (MTF) resources.

#### Who should enroll?

Enrollment is mandatory for active duty military personnel who have a family member with a special need.

#### Why enroll?

MTFs assess if required services are available, on or off base, at the gaining location prior to a permanent change of station. This ensures family members are able to receive the care they need prior to relocation. Visit the Air Force Special Needs website for further information at:

<https://www.afspecialneeds.af.mil>

#### How does the EFMP screening affect the assignment process?

The Air Force ensures personnel are assigned to locations where family members with special needs can receive services required. The Family Member Relocation Clearance screening process identifies special

needs and determines the availability of services at projected locations. The EFMP process does not affect TDY or mobility status.

***How long will enrollment last?***

Enrollment will continue as long as a special need exists, or until the active duty member retires or separates from the military.

***What is the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) and how do I enroll?***

The intent of the EFMP is to assign members, based on manpower requirements, at locations where a family member's special medical and/or educational needs may be met. Eligibility guidelines and an application can be located on-line via the Virtual Military Personnel Flight (vMPF).

**Special Medical Needs Definition:**

Potentially life-threatening conditions and/or chronic medical/physical conditions (e.g., asthma, insulin-dependent diabetes).

Current, chronic (6 months or greater) mental health conditions (e.g. bipolar disorder, personality disorder, inpatient care within the last 5 years).

**Special Educational Needs Definition:**

Requires an Individualized Education Plan or Family Service Plan.

**Navigating through vMPF:**

1. Log on to the Air Force Portal website: <https://www.my.af.mil>
2. Select vMPF
3. Select Self Service Actions
4. Select Assignments
5. Select EFMP

***What can the Exceptional Family Member Program do for Families?***

- Enroll the sponsor in the program
- Provide contacts for families to receive resource information at their new bases
- Assist active duty members in meeting mission requirements while balancing career and family responsibilities
- Provide information and referrals to community and base resources
- Members who willfully violate the EFMP process could face disciplinary action under the UCMJ and place their dependents at risk for early return to CONUS

***Please contact your Exceptional Family Member Coordinator at Mountain Home Air Force Base Hospital if you have specific questions regarding the program.***

**Reference:** AFI 40-701, *Medical Support to Family Member Relocation and Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)*

**Additional Resources/Special Need Forms:**

Medical Summary:

- DD Form 2792 (instructions and form located on DoD website listed below)

Educational Summary:

- DD Form 2792-1 (instructions and form located on DoD website listed below)

Dental:

- AF Form 1466D (form located on the Air Force E-Publishing website listed below)

Exceptional Family Member Program Enrollment Form:

- AF Form 2523 (instructions and form located on Air Force E-Publishing website listed below)

Privacy Act Statement:

DD Form 2005 (form located on DoD website listed below)

The official website for DoD Forms:

<http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/infomgt/forms/formsprogram.htm>

Air Force E-Publishing website for AF Forms and AFIs:

<http://www.e-publishing.af.mil/>

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