Exceptional Family Member Program



What is EFMP?

Marine Corps EFMP is a mandatory enrollment program designed to coordinate PCS assignments for active duty sponsors with family members eligible for enrollment. Eligibility can be due to a medical (physical, mental, and emotional) disability requiring follow-up support more than once a year and/or specialty/sub-specialty care or educational disability.

Special Education eligibility is documented by a current Individual Education Program (IEP) or by an Individual Family Service Plan (IFSP).

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EFMP Mission

The primary mission of the Marine Corps EFMP is to ensure continuum of care for eligible Marine Corps family members.

Following specific procedures and guidelines, HQMC EFMP will ensure that sponsors with enrolled family members are assigned to duty stations where services exist to support their individual needs.

By identifying families with special needs and maximizing the provision of services, the quality of life provided to the Marine Corps family is enhanced while meeting the mission of the Marine Corps.

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We know the system... we can help!

EFMP Process

• IDENTIFY

A medical and/or educational need is identified by MTF, PCM or school.

ENROLL

DD Form 2792 is completed for a medical enrollment in EFMP.

DD Form 2792-1 is completed for an educational enrollment in EFMP.

• UPDATE

An update is required every three years or as the medical/educational need changes

EFMP Family Support Services

Marine Corps family support services are provided to families through case management; training, education, and outreach; special needs forums; family support groups; and information and referral to local, state and federal resources.

CASE MANAGEMENT

Service Planning – When needed, your assigned Family Case Worker can work with you to develop an e effective Service Plan to identify appropriate support systems and address your family's unique needs.

Transition Support – EFMP can provide families with information and resources to assist them through a successful relocation. Installation EFMP o offices will coordinate the delivery of support to transitioning families, in order to provide for a seamless transfer between duty locations.

Deployment Support – EFMP Family Case Workers can address the unique needs of families during a sponsor's deployment.

TRAINING & WORKSHOPS

EFMP is able to provide trainings for families, units and staff on special needs issues. Whether you are in need of a training on behavioral issues or medical concerns, EFMP can meet your expectations!

Our Training, Education & Outreach Specialist is available to provide briefings and trainings about EFMP to commands and units.

SPECIAL NEEDS FORUM

EFMP hosts a quarterly Special Needs Advisory Forum that addresses issues that affect exceptional families. The forum welcomes families to attend.

SUPPORT GROUPS

EFMP coordinates with both military and community services to provide a comprehensive list of support groups. EFMP provides opportunities for families to attend events and support groups with the goal to increase family-to-family support and encourage families to network.

EARLY INTERVENTION & SPECIAL EDUCATION SUPPORT

EFMP can help families understand how to access Early Intervention services and Special Education.

- EFMP staff can explain evaluations and eligibility for services
- EFMP staff can help families understand available academic supports
- EFMP Family Case Workers support families by attending school meetings upon request

MEDICAL SERVICES SUPPORT

EFMP staff help families navigate through the complex medical system.

INCLUSION ACTION TEAM (IAT)

EFMP works in coordination with the Child and Youth Programs (CYP) to support the inclusion of children with disabilities, chronic illnesses, physical, developmental, behavioral or emotional conditions.

RESPITE CARE PROGRAM

The EFMP Respite Care Reimbursement Program is intended to reduce stress on families by providing temporary rest periods for family members who care for those who have severe and profound special needs.

Eligible families may receive up to 20 hours of reimbursable respite hours per month.

LEGAL SERVICES

EFMP staff can connect families with an EFMP attorney for advice and representation for services under state and federal education laws, and other related disability laws. Attorneys may also provide advice on legal assistance issues unique to EFMP families such as special needs trusts and landlord-tenant issues related to accommodations.