

The Air Force's Exceptional Family Member Program-Family Support (EFMP-FS) is the community support function provided by the Airman & Family Readiness Centers (A&FRC). EFMP-FS is designed to provide support to family members with special needs. The EFMP-FS Coordinator services include, but are not limited to:

- Information and Referral
- Advocacy
- Educational Workshops
- Support Groups
- Special Events
- Playgroups
- Resource Information
- Special Education Info.
- Awareness
- Individualized information specific to your family's needs.

Please note: The EFMP-FS Coordinator is here to assist families in finding a variety of resource options on BEALE AFB and in the local community. The AFRC does not give official endorsement to programs, organizations, or service providers.



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What is an exceptional family member?

An exceptional family member is a family member (child or adult) with any physical, emotional, developmental, or intellectual disability that requires special treatment, therapy, education, training, or counseling.

The Airman and Family Readiness Center provides the family support component to the Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP). The AFRC at Beale AFB has an EFMP-FS Coordinator on staff to assist families in finding the resources they need while stationed at Beale. The program provides information and referral, advocacy, support, special events, educational opportunities and many other services.

You will find the medical component to this program at the 9th Medical Group. This is where you will register your exceptional family member into EFMP-M (this is called Q-coding). The EFMP-M Coordination associated with this process can be reached at (530) 634-6268.



What are the benefits/purpose of enrollment in the program?

Enrollment allows assignment managers to consider the documented needs of exceptional family members. This assists the Air Force Personnel Center in assigning families to areas where the member's special needs may be met. Each assignment will depend on a valid personnel requirement for the sponsor's grade, specialty, and tour eligibility.

Does enrollment have any impact on the sponsor's career?

Enrollment in EFMP does not adversely affect selection for promotions, schools, or assignments. EFMP or any of the data used in the program is not made available to selection boards. EFMP enrollment does not guarantee assignment deletions, deferments, or compassionate reassignments. All service members are still eligible for worldwide assignments. EFMP enrollment will not guarantee that a sponsor will not serve on unaccompanied tours.

Are special education needs always considered in the military personnel assignment process?

Special education needs are only considered in assignments outside the United States. Assignments within the continental United States and Trust Territories are not based on the educational needs of children. All local school systems must obey public laws regarding the provisions of special education.

Web Resources

www.bealefss.com/afrc Find base and community events, contacts, resources, and checklists.

www.militaryonesource.com

Click on "Health and Relationship" tab and choose "Special Needs" category. You will find resources, articles and other information. Military OneSource also provides consultations and informational webinars. Call (800) 342-9647.

www.militaryhomefront.dod.mil

The Department of Defense website has information to support families managing a military career and family with special needs. Select "Troops & Families" on the top and then "Special Needs/EFMP" on the left.

www.stompproject.org

Each year thousands of families turn to Specialized Training of Military Parents (STOMP) for reliable support, information and advice. Their commitment is to empower these families in their vital role as advocates, providing training, information and support.