Exceptional Family Member Program materials

All materials listed are downloadable or available in hard copy through Military OneSource at no cost. Products can be downloaded at http://www.militaryonesource.mil/family-and-relationships/special-needs. while printed copies are available by calling Military OneSource at 800-342-9647 or ordering them online.

- The **DoD Special Needs Parent Tool Kit** provides important information regarding resources and services available to children, birth through age 18, with special needs. The tool kit includes information and sample letters that can help you navigate services, programs and public benefits.
- The **DoD Guide for Adults With Special Needs** provides information and resources to address a wide range of topics related to the concerns of adults with special needs. The guide also contains helpful information for caregivers.
- The **Special Care Organizational Record for Children** is a tool for caregivers of children with special needs to track and organize a child's medical, education and personal information.
- The **Special Care Organizational Record for Adults** is a tool for adults with special needs and their spouses, parents, caregivers or guardians to organize and track medical care and personal information.
- The **Special Care Organizational Record for Elderly Family Members** is designed to facilitate the care of older members of the family. It provides a central location for tracking pertinent information about the individual's care. It is only available online.
- **The Exceptional Advocate**, an EFMP eNewsletter, is available at http://www.militaryonesource.mil. Subscribe to the newsletter and look at archived newsletters from previous issues. The newsletter includes information and updates on the EFMP and special needs topics.

Place local contact information here.

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The Exceptional Family Member Program provides assistance to military families with special medical or educational needs. Information, referral and non-clinical case management are available. Family support providers are available to help you identify and access programs, services and resources on your installation or in your community.

Online resources

Military OneSource

http://www.militaryonesource.mil

Military OneSource is a 24/7 service for military members and their families and is available online or by telephone at 800-342-9647. All information and materials are available to service members and their families at no cost. Features for families with special needs include:

- **Special needs consultants** — Families with special needs can call to request a session with a special needs specialty consultant. Consultants provide information, referrals and assistance in the area of special needs, including such topics as early intervention, special education, advocacy, respite care and more.
- **Website** — The Military OneSource website offers information on subjects relevant to military family life, including the area of special needs. The site offers resource lists, financial calculators, podcasts, videos, webinars and the following:
  - **Educational materials** — Access e-tutorials, articles, booklets, CDs and DVDs. Topics include parenting, deployment, education, finance, elder care, health and wellness, records organizing and relocation.
  - **Online learning** — Access online learning covering a variety of special needs-related topics like exceptional family member overview, early intervention services, special education, government assistance, estate planning and more.
  - **Resources** — Access a listing of links dedicated to areas such as advocacy, disaster preparedness, early intervention, education, employment, housing assistance, health care, legal and financial issues and additional resources.
  - **Plan My Move** — Access this online, customizable tool that helps you plan your move with customizable calendars and general and installation-specific information. The site offers the option to tailor information and checklists for families with special needs.
  - **MilitaryINSTALLATIONS** — Access a directory of programs and services to locate contact information, websites, installation overviews, maps and directions to any military installation.
- **Education Directory for Children With Special Needs** — The directory helps families to identify and learn about the school districts and early intervention agencies that serve domestic military installations. The directory consists of two components: the Early Intervention Directory, focusing on early intervention services for children from birth to 3 years old, and the School-Age Directory, focusing on education services for children with special needs from 3 to 21 years old. The Tools for Making a Smooth Transition can help make the transition to a new school district or early intervention agency easier for a child with special needs.