

# EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER PROGRAM

## OCTOBER 2024 NEWSLETTER



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OCTOBER!

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# OCTOBER IS NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH (NDEAM)

This is a time to celebrate the value and talent workers with disabilities add to America's workplaces and economy. NDEAM's purpose is to confirm our commitment to ensuring disabled workers have access to good jobs, every month of every year. That's the spirit behind this year's official theme: "Access to Good Jobs for All."

**For more information visit:**

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/odep/initiatives/ndeam>



National Disability Employment Awareness Month was declared in 1988 by the United States Congress for the month of October to raise awareness of the employment needs and contributions of individuals with all types of disabilities. The month is an extension of "National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week" originally observed during the first week of October beginning in 1945.

# EFMP PARTNERS



## EFMP TRIAD

EFMP Medical:

**Identification & Enrollment:**

**813-827-9909**

**(located in Patient Admin of MacDill Clinic)**

EFMP Assignments:

**813-828-2005**

**PCS & Personnel Actions: (located in MPF)**

EFMP Family Support:

**813-828-0122**

**Non-medical Case Management, resource & referral  
(located in Military & Family Readiness office)**

## SISTER SERVICE CORNER

**ARMY FAMILY SUPPORT**

**<https://efmp.army.mil/EnterpriseEfmp/>**

ARMY SPECIFIC ASSISTANCE

PLEASE SEE OUR EFMP ONE STOP at

**[HTTPS://MACDILLFSS.COM/EFMP-SISTER-SERVICES](https://macdillfss.com/efmp-sister-services)**

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# MACDILL AFB SCHOOL LIAISON PROGRAM

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**SCHOOL LIAISON  
PROGRAM**

## SCHOOL LIAISON PROGRAM

AIMS TO CONNECT SCHOOL, FAMILIES AND  
COMMUNITIES IN ORDER TO MEET THE EDUCATIONAL  
NEEDS OF MILITARY CONNECTED CHILDREN (K-12).

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OFFICIAL WEBSITE:  
SCHOOL LIAISON PROGRAM:

<https://macdillfss.com/school-liaison-program/>

# TRAININGS, EVENTS, & WORKSHOPS



## EFMP & HEARTS APART CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### SEPTEMBER 24

6- YOGA LOFT CONNECT EVENT (ADULTS & TEENS)  
11- SKYZONE (ALL AGES) 6:30-8:00 PM

### OCTOBER 24

8- HCPS RESOURCE FAIR @ MACDILL BREAKAWAY CENTER  
18- YOGA LOFT RELAXATION YOGA (ADULTS) 6:30- 7:30  
23- FL AQUARIUM CONNECT EVENT- (ALL AGES) 11:15- 1:30 PM  
27 - QUANTUM LEAP FARMS MILITARY FAMILY FUN DAY  
(ALL AGES) 1:30-3:30 PM

### NOVEMBER 24

2- ZOO TAMPA CONNECT EVENT-(ALL AGES) 10:00- 2:00 PM  
14 -DRIP ART STUDIO (ADULTS & TEENS) 6:30-8:30 PM  
16- TGH ICEPLEX CONNECT EVENT (ALL AGES) 6:15-7:15 PM

### DECEMBER 24

6- SENSORY FRIENDLY MACWONDERLAND 5:00-7:00 PM  
8 - QUANTUM LEAP FARMS MILITARY FAMILY FUN DAY-  
HOLIDAY PARTY (ALL AGES) 1:30-3:30 PM

TO REGISTER EMAIL: [6FSS.FSH.EFMP@US.AF.MIL](mailto:6FSS.FSH.EFMP@US.AF.MIL)

PLEASE INCLUDE DOD ID #



**EFMP** Family Support



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# COMMUNITY PARTNERS & RESOURCES



**HOW CAN BASE LEGAL ASSIST MY FAMILY?**

Attorneys can help families navigate **SPECIAL EDUCATION** legal issues for students whose educational performance is adversely impacted by their disabilities

**Examples:**

- Individualized Education Program (IEP) Disputes
- Transfers of IEPs and accommodation
- Education disputes and remedies
- Understanding parental rights

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For more information about the below referenced services or contact information for representatives in your local area, please scan these codes:

**EFMP Family Support Coordinator**  
Oversee identification, enrollment & resources for military families with special needs to help them understand and navigate systems of care

**School Liaison Office**  
They provide education services for PreK-12 Students, Families and Educators serving military connected students

**Legal Assistance Office**  
Available to provide legal advice and counseling to Airmen and Guardians of students whose educational performance is impacted by their disabilities

**DAF Family Vector Video Library**  
Contains a series of short videos explaining terms and topics of interest for EFMP military families related to special education law, and other areas

Prepared by the **EFM Legal Assistance and Policy Branch**  
for more information contact us at: [AF.EFMP.LegalAsstPolicy@us.af.mil](mailto:AF.EFMP.LegalAsstPolicy@us.af.mil)

Legal Assistance on **SPECIAL EDUCATION** for **Military Families**

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**EFMP & ME**

**IS A 24/7 RESOURCE FOR EFMP FAMILIES**

**[HTTPS://EFMPANDME.MILITARYONESOURCE.MIL](https://efmpandme.militaryonesource.mil)**

## **THE CENTER FOR AUTISM & RELATED DISABILITIES AT USF**

**IS A COMMUNITY-BASED PROJECT THAT PROVIDES  
INFORMATION AND CONSULTATION TO INDIVIDUALS  
DIAGNOSED WITH AUTISM SPECTRUM DISORDERS AND  
RELATED DISABILITIES. CARD-USFOFFERS INSTRUCTION  
AND COACHING TO FAMILIES AND PROFESSIONALS.**

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