

Health Care



For Special Needs Children

TRICARE Regions



DEERS

Defense

Enrollment

Eligibility

Reporting

System

Defense Manpower
Data Center Support Office (DSO)

1-800-538-9552

TRICARE Options for Active Duty Family Members

- Prime
- Prime Remote
- Standard
- Extra



Which Doctors Are In?

Network Providers

- Part of contract-operated group
- Contractor has list of providers

Participating Providers

- Agreed to accept TRICARE maximum allowable charge
- Will file claim

Authorized Providers

- Certified by TRICARE as licensed and accredited
- May charge more than TRICARE allowable amount

*If a health care provider is not authorized
TRICARE will not help pay the bill*



Extended Health Care Option

How do I register?

- Enroll in the Exceptional Family Member Program
- Once enrolled in EFMP register with (*insert information for regional TRICARE office*)



Who qualifies?

Active Duty family members with one of these conditions may qualify:

- Moderate to severe mental retardation
- A serious physical disability
- An extraordinary physical or psychological condition that leaves the beneficiary homebound
- Multiple disabilities involving two or more systems

ECHO Benefits

- Medical and Rehabilitative Services
- Durable Equipment and Maintenance
- Training for families to Use Assistive Technology
- Special Education
- Institutional Care When Residential Care is Required
- Transportation Under Certain Conditions
- Assistive Communications Services
- 16 Hours of Respite Care Services Per Month if the Beneficiary is Receiving another ECHO Benefit
- ECHO Home Health Care (EHHC)

ECHO's Limitations

- Any benefits available through the TRICARE basic program
- Structural alterations of residences
- Dental care and orthodontic treatment
- Services written into a beneficiary's IEP and to be provided by others without charge

ECHO Home Health Care (EHHC)

- Homebound family members
- Requiring intensive services and supplies
- Generally needing more than 28 hours per week of home health services or respite care



Available Benefits Through EHHC

- Nursing care from a registered nurse, or under the direction of a registered nurse
- Services provided by a home health aid under the direct supervision of a registered nurse
- Physical or occupational therapy, speech and language services, or medical or social services under the direct supervision of a physician
- Teaching and training activities
- Medical supplies



ECHO Cost Share

Sponser Pay Grade	Monthly Cost-Share
E-1 through E-5	\$25
E-6	\$30
E-7 and O-1	\$35
E-8 and O-2	\$40
E-9, WO/WO-1, CWO-2, O-3	\$45
CWO-3, CWO-4 and O-4	\$50
CWO-5, O-5	\$65
O-6	\$75
O-7	\$100
O-8	\$150
O-9	\$200
O-10	\$250

To Qualify for EHHC

- Register with ECHO
- Physically reside in the United States, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, or Guam
- Be homebound
- Be case managed, to include required services as specified in a physician certified plan of care, and receive periodic assessments of needs
- Receive home services from a TRICARE authorized agency
- Require more than two medical interventions during the night

EHHC Respite Benefit



- Eight hours, five days a week
- Medicare certified home health agency
- Cannot be used with ECHO respite program

Other Available Benefits

- Home Health care
- Skilled nursing facility care
- Hospice care



Mental Health Care

Eight Sessions are available through TRICARE without a referral

Referral is necessary for:

- Inpatient care, up to authorized annual limit
- Care at residential treatment facilities
- Extensions to TRICARE annual limits on inpatient care
- Outpatient mental care exceeding 2 out patient visits per week or 8 out patient visit per year

Counseling is available from Military OneSource

24 hours a day

1-800-342-9647



Case Management

- Support for patients and families
- Organize and integrate multiple services
- Improved quality of care



Things to Remember



- Pharmacy Benefit
- Catastrophic Cap
- Special Care
Organizational
Record (SCOR)

TRICARE Help and Information

- TRICARE online
- TRICARE Service Centers
- Beneficiary Counseling and Assistance Coordinators (BCAC)
- Debt Collection Assistance Office Program (DCAO)

Federal and State Programs

- Supplemental Security Income (SSI)
- Medicaid, Medicaid Waivers
- Medicare
- Food Stamps, WIC, and FSSA



Advocating

Specialized Training Of Military Parents



IDEA and TRICARE

Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

This legislation ensures all children with disabilities receive a free and appropriate public education.

- Services must be identified in an Individual Family Service Plan, or an Individual Education Program
- TRICARE will pay for services that are medically or psychologically necessary, and that would otherwise be a TRICARE benefit

