

#### **EFMP MOVING CHECKLIST**

- Contact the EFMP office
- Contact your sponsor
- Complete and submit the EFMP transition checklist
- Obtain copies of all pertinent medical records (at least the last 12 months), including immunization records, prescriptions and medications
- Ensure you have enough medication at the time you PCS
- Meet with your child's teacher and review the progress that has been made since the last Individual Education Plan (IEP) was developed and/or request written progress reports from your child's teacher and other service providers
- Obtain a copy of all school records including your child's IEP, if applicable
- Hand carry all important records
- Prepare specialized items you use on a regular basis (dietary items, nebulizer, etc.)
- If you are ordering or mailing goods to Japan via the Military postal service use priority mail services, otherwise mail may take 6-8 weeks to arrive
- Consult with your health benefits advisor for TRICARE coordination



### MCAS IWAKUNI RESOURCES

Branch Health Clinic: © 253-3445 Child Development Center: © 253-5584 Child Youth and Teen Center: © 253-6454 MCAS Iwakuni Housing: © 253-5541 MC Perry Elementary School: © 253-3327 MC Perry High School: © 253-5548 Relocation Assistance: © 253-6161/3311 MCCS Pet Boarding Kennel "Barking Lot": © 253-3588 School Aged Care: © 253-4769 School Liaison Officer: © 253-5064 Semper Fit: © 253-6578 Tricare Representative: © 253-3126 VA Representative: © 253-6284/253-6439

# **HELPFUL WEB RESOURCES**

DoDEA: dodea.edu/Curriculum/specialEduc/relocation Military One Source Moving: militaryonesource.mil/moving Military One Source: militaryonesource.com Navy/Marine Housing One Stop: housing.navy.mil/onestop Marines: marines.mil Military Child Education Coalition: militarychild.org Military Teens on the Move: apps.militaryonesource.mil/myom MCAS Iwakuni Housing: mcasiwakuni.marines.mil MCCS Iwakuni: mccsiwakuni.com MC Perry High School: perry-es.pac.dodea.edu Tricare: tricare.mil

# **Exceptional Family Member Program**

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\*MCCS welcomes people of all abilities. If you need assistance, please call the EFMP office.





# MOVING WITH YOUR EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER



# MARINE WITH AN EXCEPTIONAL FAMILY MEMBER (EFM) IS RESPONSIBLE TO

- Report changes in EFM Status.
- Notify the installation EFMP Manager, Marine Corps HQ EFMP and school about any changes that affect the status of the EFM.
- Re-enroll every 3 years if no change in status has occurred.
- Dis-enroll from the EFMP if your EFM no longer requires assistance.
- Check-in with the installation EFMP Manager at the new duty station. They will provide information on resources and services available at the new installation.
- Check-out at the EFMP office in order for records to be transferred. The EFMP Manager will check existing resources and services at the new location prior to transfer.

# HOUSING

Contact the Housing Office at your next duty station. The Installation Commander makes the final determination for priority housing or housing modifications when recommended for consideration by Headquarters (HQ) Marine Corps EFMP. The EFMP enrollment letter explains housing modifications and priority housing considerations. Housing needs are identified by qualified medical providers on form DD2792 or via formal correspondence to EFMP. HQ EFMP medical screeners will review and provide relevant information if additional requests for accommodations are submitted.

#### **HELPFUL TIPS**

- Take education information including your child's IEP and immunization records, with you when you enroll your child in the local school or child care center.
  - It is easier for the receiving schools to start the appropriate special education services when you hand-carry important information about your child. The Case Study Committee (CSC) recognizes the current IEP and interim services can be provided within days. Assessment information will help the CSC determine your child's eligibility for special education according to DoDEA criteria.
- Each state has different policies or procedures to guide its special education program. You may need to fill out new forms and paperwork.

#### SPONSOR

Ensure your sponsor is aware of your family's needs. If your sponsor is picking you up at the airport, let them know of any requirements that your family has for traveling. The Temporary Lodging Facilities (TLF) at MCAS Iwakuni consists of two floors. The second floor is only accessible by stairs. There is one room at the Monzen TLF that is wheel chair accessible.

#### TRAVEL

Inform your Transportation POC of any special needs of your family member requires so that arrangements can be made when travel is booked.

- Airlines accommodate individuals with dietary or mobility needs.
- Airlines will also allow fragile medication storage in their on board refrigerators.

 Provision for additional baggage may also be available.
Narita, Haneda, Kansai-Osaka, Hiroshima and Fukuoka airports offer barrier free access. For specific information regarding airport facilities and services, as well as, directions to and from MCAS Iwakuni visit mcasiwakuni.marines.mil

#### JAPANESE TRANSPORTATION

The Japanese subway, JR train or the Shinkansen do not all have easy access to station platforms and restrooms. The Iwakuni JR train station is only accessible by stairs. The Iwakuni Shinkansen station is wheelchair accessible. Not all buses or shuttle buses in Japan are accessible with a chair lift or lower floors and they typically do not have restrooms.

# TRAVEL CONSIDERATIONS

- Travel on the weekends or holidays is crowded and space for luggage is limited.
- There is limited space for luggage when taking the bus or subway during rush hour in large cities. Rush hour is generally 8-9 AM or 6-8 PM.
- Taxies are smaller compact cars and usually accommodate 3-4 people. The trunk can hold 2-3 small suitcases. Minivan taxis are rare and usually require pre-booking.

## LUGGAGE SERVICES

Ta-Q-Bin / "Black Cat" is available to send your suitcases to or from the airport. For more information visit kuronekoyamato.co.jp/en/tourist/airport.

## **HEALTH CARE SERVICES**

EFMP enrollees have access to medical care from the Branch Health Clinic at MCAS Iwakuni. If necessary, the healthcare provider may refer your EFM to a service provider in the local community or to the Naval Hospital in Yokosuka or Okinawa for assessment and treatment. A list of health care services provided by Branch Health Clinic Iwakuni is available on the web page atmed.navy.mil.

Education and Developmental Services (EDIS) is a division of Branch Health Clinic, Iwakuni. A multi-disciplinary team that consists of a child psychologist, social worker, physical, occupational and speech therapists, community health nurse and an early childhood special educator, staffs the EDIS division. This service provides medical and early intervention services to children from birth to 21 years of age.

#### **EDUCATIONAL SERVICES**

MCAS Iwakuni schools have a special education department to assist children with exceptional needs. DoDEA schools educate students with disabilities from ages 3-21. DoDEA schools comply with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) that guides the assessment and documentation necessary to determine special education eligibility. DOD Instruction 1342-12 ensures confidentiality and the rights of parents and students. For more information, contact the School Liaison Officer at DSN: 253-5064.

#### **SEMPER FIT**

Semper Fit offers exercise, fitness and outdoor recreation programs for people with exceptional needs if reasonable accommodations can be made. Fitness and Recreation specialists are available to work with both individuals and families to promote participation in fitness and recreation programs. Semper Fit programs provide socially and physically enriching opportunities. For more information contact Semper Fit at DSN: 253-6578.

## SERVICE DOGS/PETS

If you are traveling to Japan with a service or therapy dog, or other pets, you need to comply with Japanese animal quarantine requirements. For more information contact Army Veterinary Services at DSN: 253-6471 or web: phc.amedd.army.mil/organization.