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FACT SHEET

Member Benefits

Bedroom Entitlement Continuation

ADF members who have children residing in their residence before turning 21 will now see the housing benefit continued for that child until they reach the age of 25.

Benefit

Continuation of housing benefits for 21-25 year old adult children residing in a members residence, listed as MWD.

More information

To alleviate this issue, ADF members who have children still residing in their residence before turning 21 will now see the housing benefit continued for that child until they reach the age of 25. [Defence Determination, Conditions of Service Amendment Determination 2022 \(No.12\)](#) has been authorised and is effective from 01 September 2022.

This Determination contains a new definition under subsection [7.1.14A](#):
[7.1.14A - Adult child](#)

1. Adult child means a person the decision maker is satisfied meets all of the following.
 - a. They are aged between 21 years old and 25 years old.
 - b. Immediately before turning 21 years old they were a dependant of a member.
 - c. Since turning 21 years old, they have continued to live with the member or an adult dependant of the member.
2. In this section, decision maker means Commanding Officer, Officer Commanding not below MAJ(E) in the member's direct chain of command or supervision.

Administration Process

Once approval has been granted, the member will not be required to seek approval should their chain of command change in the future. DRH and DHA are to be informed of the decision to assist with further administration. [For ease, click here to view the template of a notification minute Notification of Approval of Adult Child for Housing Purposes is attached.](#)



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