

## What is CSP?

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"At the Government's expense and coordination"

The purpose of CSP is to allow key/essential members to stay in Korea for 24 or 36 months with the intent to provide stability, and command presence in those key positions that require a high degree of continuity for mission sustainment. Command Sponsorship applications are done at the losing duty station and are typically not initiated in Korea.

## What benefits does CSP provide?

Only Command Sponsored dependents are authorized:

- No-Fee U.S. Passport
- On-base housing, if available
- Travel Allowance: DoD members receive travel allowances and reimbursements for their families
- USFK Driver's License
- Household Goods Shipment: DoD members receive their full accompanied JTR weight
- Guaranteed attendance at DoDEA schools
- Prioritized access to on-base services, such as medical services and childcare

## How do I get a CSP billet?

- Command Sponsorship is not guaranteed, as CSP billets are limited. If your position or office does not have pre-designated billet you can fill, you must apply by obtaining approval from your gaining unit commander followed by an Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP) screening for each accompanying family member.
- CSP selection can be very competitive, and several factors are weighed in determining who will fill a vacant billet. The justification you provide in Block 12 of the CSP Application should be brief and pointed to communicate your situation in a few sentences. Describe why choosing you to be Command Sponsored will benefit mission readiness and unit continuity. Include any information that is not already addressed in the application including number and dates of previously unaccompanied short tours, recent deployments, unique family situations, etc. Justifications that refer to how spouses or children would enjoy Korea are not acceptable justifications.

# Dependents in Korea

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## Additional Resources

Visit [Mustang One-Stop > Preparing for Your Move > Command Sponsorship](#) for the USFK CSP Policy, CSP Application Form, CSP Manager contacts, FAQ, and more!



## What is NCS (Non-Command Sponsored)?

Simply put, it's dependents  
"At the family's own expense and coordination"

Even if a military member is not granted Command Sponsorship (CSP), they have the option to bring their family Non-Command Sponsored, or NCS. However, this decision should not be made lightly, since NCS dependents have access to limited benefits. Members should talk with their units and EFMP to make an informed decision on what is best for them and their family.



## Some things to consider:

- How long are they going to stay?
  - Without formal CS, dependents (except ROK citizens) are considered tourists on a 90-day Visa, with limited support from US Forces Korea (USFK).
  - Members can, however, add dependents on military orders by talking to their losing unit's MPS to obtain a SOFA stamp on their visa.
- Are you and your dependent prepared to be resourceful and flexible?
  - Being non-command sponsored can be tough to navigate. You and your family will likely need to learn to navigate Korean healthcare off-base and learn to operate in a foreign country without the direct support of a CSP billet.
- Outpatient Mental Health care is routinely available to Active Duty military only. Mental Health needs are addressed much differently off base than in the United States. Additionally, as NCS, your dependents may have limited access to medical resources as priority falls to active duty and CS dependents. Consider all options with your current healthcare and mental health provider to determine if relocation to Korea is able to meet your specific needs.



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## Need to Know Tips and Resources:

- Let your leadership know!!
  - We need to be properly document and provide dependent(s) pertinent information for emergency evacuation procedures in addition to access to base services.
- Take a look at the documents [CSP vs NCS: Making and Informed Choice](#) and [CSP vs NCS: Benefits Matrix](#) on the Mustang One Stop page linked under additional resources.
- Visit [osanareabasics.org](http://osanareabasics.org) for a community directory to help find more support/info.

## Additional Resources

Visit [Mustang One-Stop](#) > Preparing for Your Move > [Command Sponsorship](#) for the USFK CSP Policy and other additional resources. Look under Helpful Links for useful documents listed above as well as an overview on access to benefits for NCS families to help make your decision.

