



Fact Sheet

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Coming to Europe

I have orders to Europe. What do I need to do?

The first thing you should do is contact your servicing TRICARE Service Center for guidance on health care while you are in transition. You may also want to visit the TRICARE Europe web site for information about TRICARE overseas.

What the TRICARE Dental Program?

If you or your family members are enrolled in the TRICARE Dental Program, you should stay enrolled—do not cancel your enrollment.

While it is true that family members can use Military Dental Facilities on a space-available basis, the space available varies greatly depending on where you are assigned and other factors. It is best to remain enrolled until you arrive at your new duty station and can assess whether adequate care will be available for your family members through the local Military Dental Facility.

What should I do when I arrive?

There are a few important things you should do as soon as possible after arriving in theater:

- **Get ID Cards:** Make sure your ID cards are accurate and current, and that everyone who needs one, has one.
- **Update DEERS:** The Defense Enrollment Eligibility Reporting System (DEERS) determines TRICARE eligibility, so make sure you keep your address, contact information and family member data current. You can do this while you get updated ID cards. Go to www.tricare.mil/DEERS/ for more information.
- **Verify Enrollment:** Chances are, you will enroll yourself and your family members in TRICARE Prime during inprocessing. If you are not sure you have done this, contact your TRICARE Service Center.
- **Find Out How to Get Care:** Make sure you know how to get health care before you need it—especially after-hours emergency care. Procedures vary from one location to another, so be sure you know what to do before an emergency happens.

Where to Get Help

- **Local TRICARE Service Center:** XXX-XXX-XXX
- **TRICARE Europe Office:** 49-(0)6302-67-7433; DSN 496-7433
teurope@europe.tricare.osd.mil

- **Contact your servicing TRICARE Service Center when you get orders.**
- **If you are enrolled in the TRICARE Dental Program, do NOT cancel your enrollment.**
- **When you arrive, be sure to update DEERS and get updated ID cards.**
- **Contact your new TRICARE Service Center to verify enrollment and find out how to get care.**