

Eligibility Definitions

Dependents	Eligibility Definition
Spouse	<p>The marriage must be recognized as legal in the Commonwealth of Virginia.</p> <p>Note: Ex-spouses will not be eligible, even with a court order.</p>
Natural or Adopted Son/Daughter	<p>A son or daughter may be covered to the end of the year in which he or she turns age 23* regardless of student status if the child:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ lives at home or is away at school ✓ is not married, and ✓ receives more than one-half of his or her support from the employee. <p>In cases where the natural (or adoptive) parents are living apart, the child may live with the other parent but must receive more than one-half of his or her support from either parent or a combination from both parents.</p>
Stepson or Stepdaughter	<p>Unmarried stepson or stepdaughter may be covered to the end of the year in which he or she turns age 23* regardless of student status if:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ they are living with the employee in a parent-child relationship; ✓ the principal place of residence is with the employee; ✓ they are a member of the employee's household; and ✓ they receive over one-half of their support from the employee.
Other Female or Male Child	<p>An unmarried, minor child in which a court has ordered the employee to assume sole permanent custody may be covered until the end of the year in which he or she turns age 23*. If joint custody, it must be with the employee and the employee's legal spouse.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ The principal place of residence is with the employee; ✓ they are a member of the employee's household; and ✓ they receive over one-half of their support from the employee.
Other Female or Male Child - Exception	<p>If the employee (or employee's spouse) shares custody with a minor child who is the parent of an "other female or male child", then that "other child" may also be covered if</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ the other child, ✓ the minor child** (who is the parent), and ✓ the employee's spouse (if applicable) <p>all live in the same household as the employee.</p> <p>**The minor child must meet all of the eligibility requirements for a dependent child.</p>
<p>* When approved as an adult dependent who is incapacitated due to a physical or mental health condition, the child may be covered beyond the age of 23.</p>	