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Who is a Dependent for Compensation?

The Veteran must have at least a 30% combined evaluation due to service-connected disabilities before dependency becomes an issue for compensation claims.

Spouse of Veteran (Dependency assumed)

[38 CFR 3.50\(a\)](#), [38 CFR 3.1\(j\)](#)

Children of Veteran (Dependency assumed)

General [38 CFR 3.57](#), Legitimate vs. Illegitimate [38 CFR 3.210](#)

- ❑ Biological child [38 CFR 3.57\(a\)](#)
- ❑ Stepchild [38 CFR 3.57\(b\)](#)
- ❑ Adopted child [38 CFR 3.57\(c\)](#)

Additional subcategories

- ❑ Helpless children [38 CFR 3.57\(a\)\(1\)\(ii\)](#)
- ❑ School children [38 CFR 3.667](#)

Parents of Veteran (Dependency assumed)

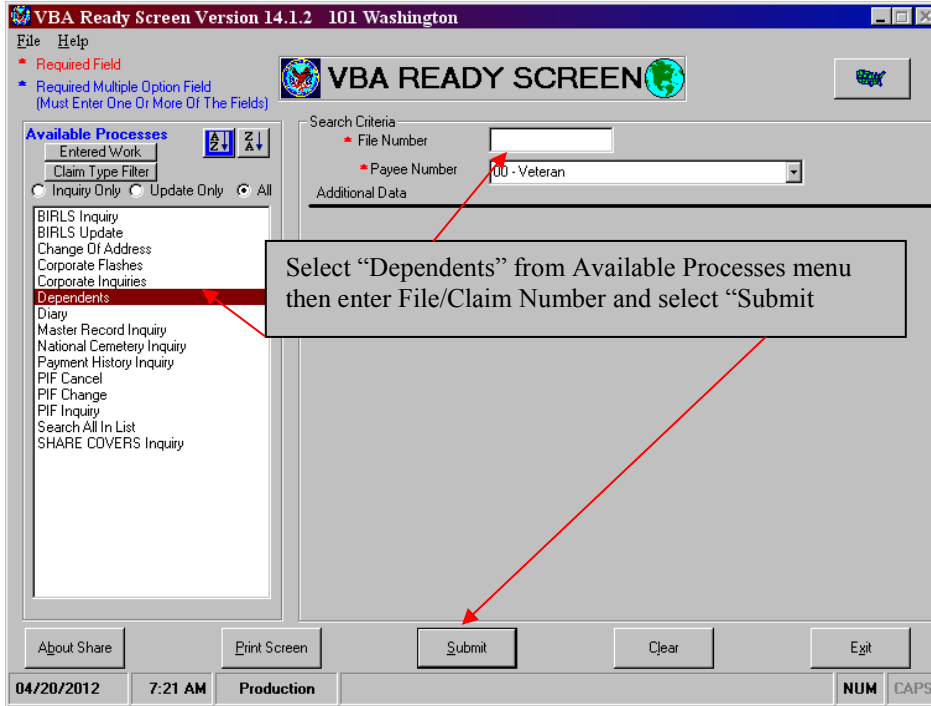
- ❑ Parent of Veteran [38 CFR 3.59\(a\)](#)
- ❑ Foster Relationship [38 CFR 3.59\(b\)](#)

Examples of those who cannot be considered dependents:

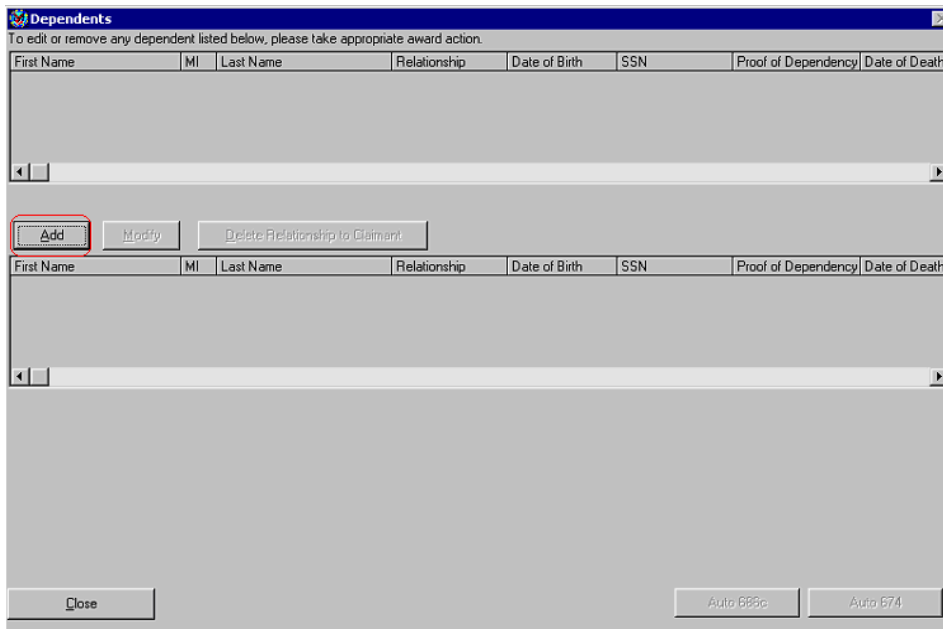
- ❑ Foster children of veteran
- ❑ Grandchildren of veteran
- ❑ Mother or Father In-Law
- ❑ Ex-spouses of veteran
- ❑ Stepchild – When no longer a member of the Veterans home (exceptions may apply)

Adding Dependents to a Veterans Corporate Record

We can add the dependents to the Corporate Record by selecting the “Dependents” option from the Available Processes menu that is found on the left side of the Share VBA Ready Screen



Select “Add” to continue



Select dependent from dropdown, input details – then select “Update”

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The screenshot shows a software window titled "Dependents" with a table at the top and a form below. The table has columns for First Name, MI, Last Name, Relationship, Date of Birth, SSN, Proof of Dependency, and Date of Death. The form contains the following fields: First Name (ANNA), MI, Last Name (JONES), Relationship (Spouse), Date of Birth (07/13/1966), E-mail Address, City of Birth (TAMPA), State of Birth (FL), Date of Death, Cause of Death, SSN, SSN Verified? (Y), Gender (Male/Female), and Relate to Veteran? (checkbox). The "Update" button is highlighted with a red box.

Select "OK" – then select "Close" if all dependents are added or select "Add" for additional dependents and follow previous two steps above until all are added

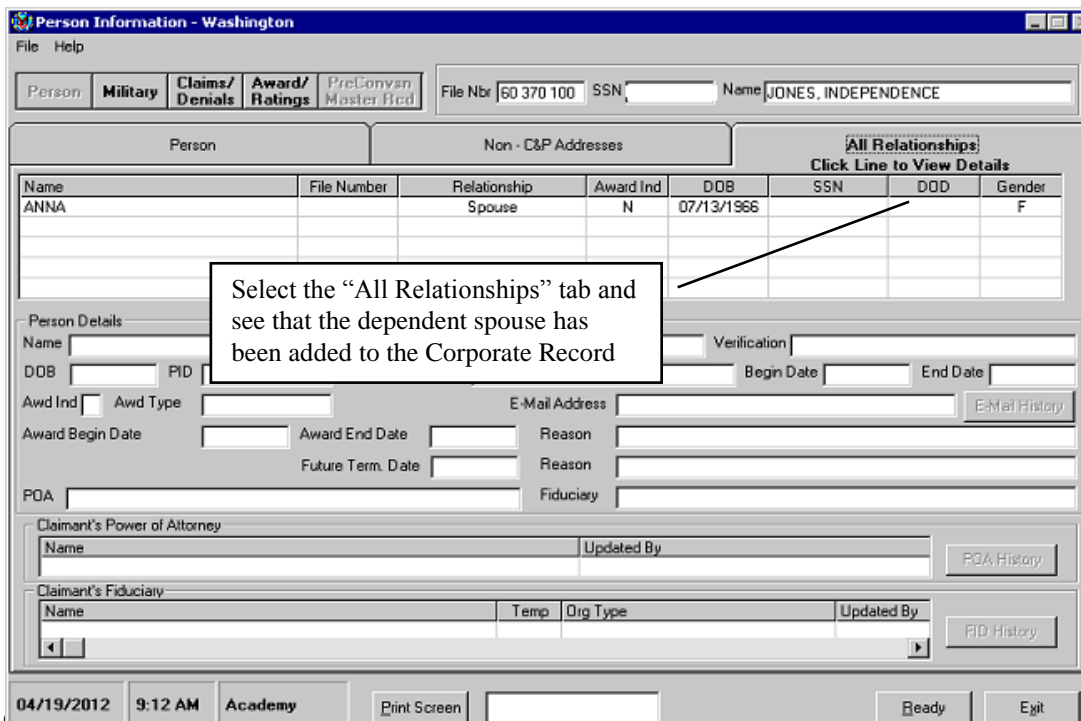
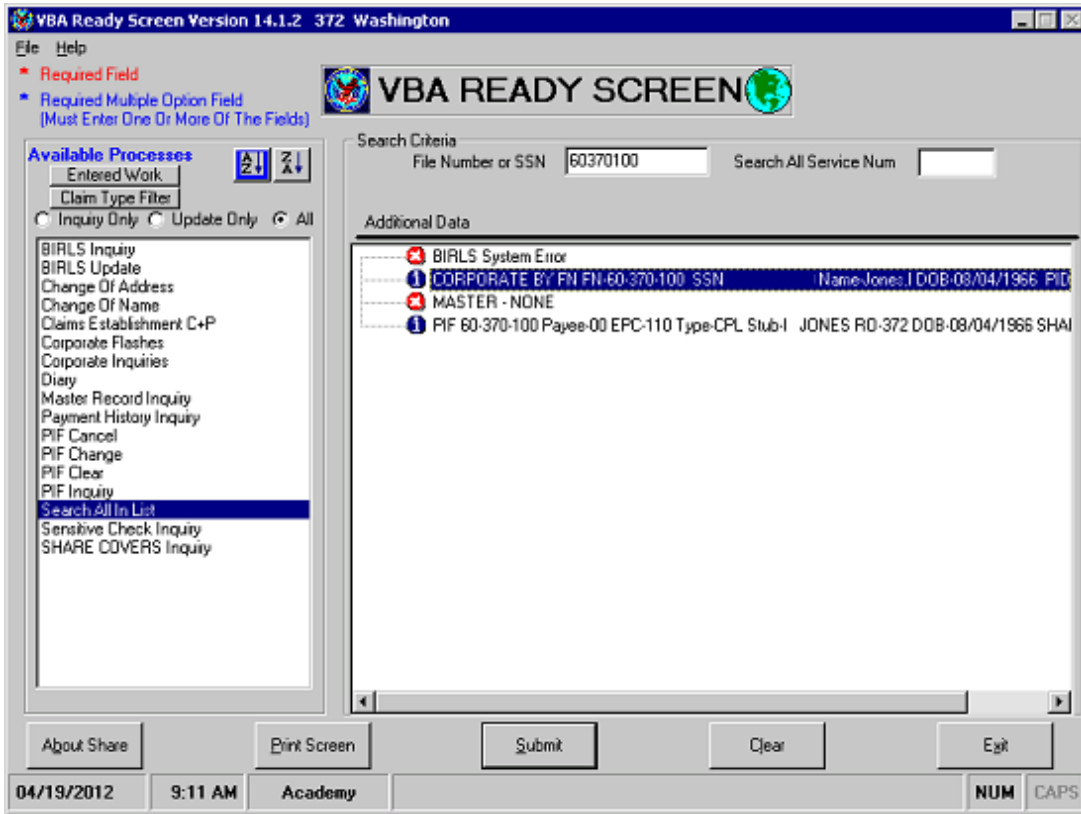
The screenshot shows the same "Dependents" window, but with a "Share" dialog box overlaid. The dialog box has a blue header with an information icon and the text "SHR DEP 08: Dependent update successful." Below the text is an "OK" button highlighted with a red box. In the background window, the "Close" button is also highlighted with a red box.

This process is only to add the dependents into the Corporate Record. If an award was to be generated without any further action the dependent(s) would not be added

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to the award. That action will be done once we go into the VBMS-A system and add the dependent(s) on to the actual award

To ensure the dependents have been added to the Corporate Record, from the VBA Ready Screen, input the claim number - select "Search All in List" and Submit. From the screen shown below you will double click on the Corporate Record:



Dependency - Add spouse

As with every dependency action, you will need to add the reported family member to the Corporate Record before attempting to pay for the dependent in VBMS-A.

Select Dependency in the column of decision screens to open the Dependency decision screen.

The screenshot displays the 'Record Decisions' interface for a veteran. The top right corner shows the veteran's information: 'Veteran: Any Wo Man SSN: 48888881 File Number: 48888881 Compensation/Pension Live'. The left sidebar contains a menu with options: Main, Allotments, Award Adjustments, Basic Eligibility, **Dependency**, Elections, Financial, Institutionalizations, Military Eligibility, Military Payment Info, Rating, and Fraud. The main content area is titled 'Record Decisions' and includes a section 'Show Only Decisions Pertinent to This Benefit:' with a dropdown menu set to 'Compensation'. Below this is a section 'Select Claims to Associate with the Award Action:' which contains two tables: 'Available Claims' and 'Selected Claims'. The 'Available Claims' table has columns for Claim Types, Name, and Claim Date, and lists 'Apportionment' (MINOR CHILDFOUR, 01/01/2014) and 'Pretermination Notice' (ANY WO MAN, 05/28/2014). The 'Selected Claims' table has the same columns and lists 'Dependency' (ANY WO MAN, 01/01/2014). Between the tables are 'Add' and 'Remove' buttons. Below the tables is a field 'Only Generate New Award Lines From:' with a calendar icon. At the bottom, there are several action buttons: 'Generate Award', 'Review Current/Proposed', 'Suspend/Resume', 'Award History', 'Decision History', 'Diaries', 'Revert to Last Auth Award', 'Priors', and 'Return to All Awards'. A black arrow points from the 'Dependency' menu item in the sidebar to the 'Dependency' entry in the 'Selected Claims' table.

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1. Select the **Add** button.

The screenshot shows the 'Record Decisions - Dependency' window. On the right side, there is a vertical toolbar with buttons: 'Add', 'Ed Add Decision', 'Delete', 'Undo', and 'History'. The 'Add' button is highlighted with a yellow box, and a red arrow labeled '1' points to it from the right.

Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. DL	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number
<input type="radio"/>	04/22/2014	minor childtwo	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/22/2014	minor childtwo	Not an Award Dependent	05/01/2015	04/01/2015	School Attendance Begins	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Minor Child	01/01/2014	12/15/2013	School Attendance Terminates	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Not an Award Dependent	08/15/2023	08/15/2023	Turns 18	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Minor Child	02/01/2014	01/01/2014	Eligible Minor Child	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Not an Award Dependent	05/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	School Child	01/01/2023	01/01/2023	School Attendance Begins	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Spouse	02/01/2014	01/05/2014	Dependency Established	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Not an Award Dependent	07/01/2014	06/02/2014	Marriage Terminated	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	09/18/2014	minor child	Minor Child	05/15/2005	05/15/2005	Eligible Minor Child	Child	33252141	01/02/1996	

2. Select the **Person** for whom a dependency decision will be made.

The system will list all dependents that have been previously established as family members through Share or Participant Profile.

The personal information will be automatically populated based on the information entered into the Corporate Record.

The screenshot shows the 'Dependency Decisions' form. The 'Person' dropdown menu is open, showing a list of names: 'minor child', 'minor childfive', 'minor childfour', 'minor childthree', 'minor childtwo', 'school childone', and 'spouse man'. A yellow box with the number '2' and a red arrow points to the dropdown menu.

Person	Relationship	Date of Birth	File Number	SSN	Reason for No SSN
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Below the form, there are buttons for 'Accept' and 'Abandon', and a 'Return to Record Decisions' button.

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3. If the person does not have a SSN assigned or is a foreign national, select the reason that no SSN exists.
4. Enter the **Event Date**. In this case we are working on an original award and will use the effective date of the rating, 09/01/2010.
5. Select the **Award Status** of Spouse.
6. Select the **Decision** of Dependency Established.
7. Once the Decision is selected, the system will automatically record the Award Effective Date. This field can be modified if needed, but should be the 1st of the month following the Event Date.
8. Select the **Accept** button to update the grid.
9. Select the **Done** button to save the decision and close the screen.

The screenshot displays a web application interface for managing dependency and compensation. At the top, there is a table with columns for various fields including dates, relationships, and SSN. Below the table is a 'Dependency Decisions' form with several input fields and buttons. Numbered callouts (3-9) are placed over the interface to indicate specific steps in a process:

- 3**: Points to the 'Reason for No SSN' dropdown menu in the form.
- 4**: Points to the 'Event Date' input field.
- 5**: Points to the 'Award Status' dropdown menu.
- 6**: Points to the 'Decision' dropdown menu.
- 7**: Points to the 'Award Effective Date' input field.
- 8**: Points to the 'Accept' button.
- 9**: Points to the 'Done' button.

Person	Relationship	Date of Birth	File Number	SSN	Reason for No SSN	Accept	Abandon
spouse man	Spouse	01/01/1980		665289921			
Event Date	Award Status	Decision	Award Effective Date				
07/09/2013	Spouse	Dependency Established	08/01/2013				

Dependency - Add a minor child

As with every dependency action, you will need to add the reported family member to the Corporate Record before attempting to pay for the dependent in VBMS-A.

Select Dependency in the column of decision screens to open the Dependency decision screen.

Veteran: Any Wo Man SSN: 48888881 File Number: 48888881 Compensation/Pension Live

Record Decisions

★ Main Show Only Decisions Pertinent to This Benefit:

Compensation

Select Claims to Associate with the Award Action:

Available Claims:			Selected Claims:		
Claim Types	Name	Claim Date	Claim Types	Name	Claim Date
Apportionment	MINOR CHILDFOUR	01/01/2014	Dependency	ANY WO MAN	01/01/2014
Pretermination Notice	ANY WO MAN	05/28/2014			

Only Generate New Award Lines From:

Generate Award Review Current/Proposed Suspend/Resume Award History Decision History Diaries

Revert to Last Auth Award Priors Return to All Awards

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1. Select the **Add** button.
2. Select the **Person** for whom a dependency decision will be made.

The system will list all dependents that have been previously established as family members through Share or Participant Profile. In this case, Jimmy Jones is a minor child of the Veterans.

The Relationship Type, Date of Birth, and SSN information will be automatically populated based on the information entered into the Corporate Record through Share or Participant Profile.

Dependency	Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. Dt.	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number	
	<input type="radio"/>	04/22/2014	minor childtwo	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	663258943	01/02/1996		Add
	<input type="radio"/>	04/22/2014	minor childtwo	School Child	02/01/2014	01/02/2014	School Attendance Begins	Child	663258943	01/02/1996		Edit
	<input type="radio"/>	04/23/2014	minor childtwo	Not an Award Dependent	05/01/2015	04/01/2015	School Attendance Terminates	Child	663258943	01/02/1996		Delete
	<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Minor Child	01/01/2014	12/15/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	225381121	08/15/2005		Undo
	<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Not an Award Dependent	08/15/2023	08/15/2023	Turns 18	Child	225381121	08/15/2005		History
	<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Minor Child	02/01/2014	01/01/2014	Eligible Minor Child	Child	662553223	01/01/2005		
	<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	662553223	01/01/2005		
	<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	School Child	01/01/2023	01/01/2023	School Attendance Begins	Child	662553223	01/01/2005		
	<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Spouse	02/01/2014	01/05/2014	Dependency Established	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980		
	<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Not an Award	07/01/2014	06/02/2014	Marriage	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980		

Rating	<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Minor Child	02/01/2014	01/01/2014	Eligible Minor Child	Child	662553223	01/01/2005		
	<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	662553223	01/01/2005		
	<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	School Child	01/01/2023	01/01/2023	School Attendance Begins	Child	662553223	01/01/2005		
	<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Spouse	02/01/2014	01/05/2014	Dependency Established	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980		
	<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Not an Award Dependent	07/01/2014	06/02/2014	Marriage Terminated	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980		
	<input type="radio"/>	09/18/2014	minor child	Minor Child	05/15/2005	05/15/2005	Eligible Minor Child	Child	332522141	01/02/1996		
	<input type="radio"/>	09/18/2014	minor child	Not an Award Dependent	01/02/2014	01/02/2014	Turns 18	Child	332522141	01/02/1996		
	<input type="radio"/>	09/18/2014	minor childthree	Minor Child	06/01/2005	05/15/2005	Eligible Minor Child	Child	336625912	01/02/1996		
	<input type="radio"/>	09/18/2014	minor childthree	Not an Award Dependent	01/02/2014	01/02/2014	Turns 18	Child	336625912	01/02/1996		
	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	10/02/2014	spouse man	Spouse	08/01/2013	07/09/2013	Dependency Established	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980		

Dependency Decisions:

Person	Relationship	Date of Birth	File Number	SSN	Reason for No SSN	Accept
minor child	Child	01/02/1996		332522141		Abandon
Event Date	Award Status	Decision	Award Effective Date			

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Rating	Event Date	Relationship	Person	Date of Birth	File Number	SSN	Reason for No SSN	Decision	Award Effective Date
Fraud	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Minor Child	02/01/2014	01/01/2014	Eligible Minor Child	Child	662553223	01/01/2005
	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	662553223	01/01/2005
	05/28/2014	minor childfive	School Child	01/01/2023	01/01/2023	School Attendance Begins	Child	662553223	01/01/2005
	08/08/2014	spouse man	Spouse	02/01/2014	01/05/2014	Dependency Established	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980
	08/08/2014	spouse man	Not an Award Dependent	07/01/2014	06/02/2014	Marriage Terminated	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980
	09/18/2014	minor child	Minor Child	05/15/2005	05/15/2005	Eligible Minor Child	Child	332522141	01/02/1996
	09/18/2014	minor child	Not an Award Dependent	01/02/2014	01/02/2014	Turns 18	Child	332522141	01/02/1996
	09/18/2014	minor childthree	Minor Child	06/01/2005	05/15/2005	Eligible Minor Child	Child	336625912	01/02/1996
	09/18/2014	minor childthree	Not an Award Dependent	01/02/2014	01/02/2014	Turns 18	Child	336625912	01/02/1996
	10/02/2014	spouse man	Spouse	08/01/2013	07/09/2013	Dependency Established	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980

Dependency Decisions:

Person: Relationship: Date of Birth: File Number: SSN: Reason for No SSN:

Event Date: Award Status: Decision: Award Effective Date:

Buttons: Accept, Abandon, Done, Return to Record Decisions

Yellow callouts: 3 (Event Date), 4 (Award Status), 5 (Decision), 6 (Award Effective Date), 7 (Accept button), 8 (Done button)

3. Enter the **Event Date**. In this case we will use the effective date of 09/01/2011.
4. Select the **Award Status** of Minor Child.
5. Select the **Decision** of Eligible Minor Child.
6. Once the Decision is selected, the system will automatically record the **Award Effective Date**. This field can be modified if needed.
7. Select the **Accept** button to update the grid.
8. Select the **Done** button to save the decision and close the screen.

Note that the system will automatically add a line to remove the minor child on their 18th birthday.

Dependency – Change minor child to school child or add a school child

For a situation where a minor child was already an award dependent through the 18th birthday and is now attending college, it may be necessary to pay the additional minor child benefit through the end of the month in which the child turned 18.

Select the Dependency button in the column of decision screen buttons to open the Dependency decision screen.

The screenshot shows the VBMS Awards Home interface. The top navigation bar includes 'Awards Home', 'Awards Help', and 'Sign Out'. The user is logged in as 'JD317_AVSR (Station: 317)'. A warning message states: 'Warning: This is a Non-Production environment, do NOT use real Claimant data!'. The user's information is 'Veteran: Any Wo Man SSN: 48888881 File Number: 48888881 Compensation/Pension Live'. The main content area is titled 'Record Decisions' and includes a sidebar with navigation options: Main, Allotments, Award Adjustments, Basic Eligibility, Dependency, Elections, Financial, Institutionalizations, Military Eligibility, Military Payment Info, Rating, and Fraud. The 'Dependency' button is highlighted in the sidebar. The main area shows a filter for 'Show Only Decisions Pertinent to This Benefit:' set to 'Compensation'. Below this is a section titled 'Select Claims to Associate with the Award Action:' which contains two tables: 'Available Claims' and 'Selected Claims'. The 'Available Claims' table has columns for Claim Types, Name, and Claim Date, with rows for 'Apportionment' (MINOR CHILDFOUR, 01/01/2014) and 'Predetermination Notice' (ANY WO MAN, 05/28/2014). The 'Selected Claims' table has columns for Claim Types, Name, and Claim Date, with a row for 'Dependency' (ANY WO MAN, 01/01/2014). There are 'Add' and 'Remove' buttons between the tables. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Generate Award', 'Review Current/Proposed', 'Suspend/Resume', 'Award History', 'Decision History', 'Diaries', 'Revert to Last Auth Award', 'Priors', and 'Return to All Awards'. The footer shows 'Awards Version 7.1.64-9 [JAT / vba-ual-pp102]' and the date 'Wednesday August 20, 2014 12:52 pm / (-05:00) Eastern time (US & Canada)'. The zoom level is set to 100%.

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2) Select the row indicating that the child was removed for turning 18

1) Select the Edit Button

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Then Sort By:
On Date:
View

Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. Dt.	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	33252141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	School Child	02/01/2014	01/02/2014	School Attendance Begins	Child	33252141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	33252141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/22/2014	minor childtwo	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	04/23/2014	minor childtwo	Not an Award Dependent	01/02/2014	01/02/2014	Turns 18	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Minor Child	01/01/2014	12/15/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Not an Award Dependent	08/15/2023	08/15/2023	Turns 18	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Minor Child	02/01/2014	01/01/2014	Eligible Minor Child	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Not an Award Dependent	05/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	School Child	01/01/2023	01/01/2023	School Attendance Begins	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Spouse	02/01/2014	01/05/2014	Dependency Established	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Not an Award Dependent	07/01/2014	06/02/2014	Marriage Terminated	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/20/2014	minor childthree	Not an Award Dependent			Not an Award Dependent	Child	336625912	01/02/1996	

Dependency Decisions:

Person	Relationship	Date of Birth	File Number	SSN	Reason for No SSN	Accept	Abandon
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>		
Event Date	Award Status	Decision	Award Effective Date				
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>				

Done Return to Record Decisions

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3) The information for that row will display in the Dependency Decision Grid

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Sort: First Sort By:
Then Sort By:
On Date:
View

Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. Dt.	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	33252141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	School Child	02/01/2014	01/02/2014	School Attendance Begins	Child	33252141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	33252141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/22/2014	minor childtwo	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	04/23/2014	minor childtwo	Not an Award Dependent	01/02/2014	01/02/2014	Turns 18	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Minor Child	01/01/2014	12/15/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Not an Award Dependent	08/15/2023	08/15/2023	Turns 18	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Minor Child	02/01/2014	01/01/2014	Eligible Minor Child	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Not an Award Dependent	05/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	School Child	01/01/2023	01/01/2023	School Attendance Begins	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Spouse	02/01/2014	01/05/2014	Dependency Established	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Not an Award Dependent	07/01/2014	06/02/2014	Marriage Terminated	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/20/2014	minor childthree	Not an Award Dependent			Not an Award Dependent	Child	336625912	01/02/1996	

Dependency Decisions:

Person	Relationship	Date of Birth	File Number	SSN	Reason for No SSN	Accept	Abandon
minor childtwo	Child	01/02/1996		663258943			
Event Date	Award Status	Decision	Award Effective Date				
01/02/2014							

Done Return to Record Decisions

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Modify Display:
 Sort: **First Sort By:** **Then Sort By:** **On Date:**
 Filter:

Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. Dt.	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	School Child	02/01/2014	01/02/2014	School Attendance Begins	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/22/2014	minor childtwo	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	04/23/2014	minor childtwo	Not an Award Dependent	01/02/2014	01/02/2014	Turns 18	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Minor Child	01/01/2014	12/15/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>						Turns 18	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>						Eligible Minor Child	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>						School Attendance Begins	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>						School Attendance Terminates	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Not an Award Dependent	07/01/2014	06/02/2014	Marriage Terminated	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/20/2014	minor childthree	Not an Award Dependent			Not an Award Dependent	Child	336625912	01/02/1996	

4) Change the Award Status to "School Child"

Dependency Decisions:
 Person: Relationship: Date of Birth: File Number: SSN: Reason for No SSN:

 Event Date: Award Status: Decision: Award Effective Date:

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- Military Eligibility
- Military Payment Info
- Rating
- Fraud

Modify Display:
 Sort: **First Sort By:** **Then Sort By:** **On Date:**
 Filter:

Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. Dt.	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	School Child	02/01/2014	01/02/2014	School Attendance Begins	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/22/2014	minor childtwo	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	04/23/2014	minor childtwo	Not an Award Dependent	01/02/2014	01/02/2014	Turns 18	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Minor Child	01/01/2014	12/15/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Not an Award Dependent	08/15/2023	08/15/2023	Turns 18	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Minor Child	02/01/2014	01/01/2014	Eligible Minor Child	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Terminates	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive							01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man							01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man							01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/20/2014	minor childthree							01/02/1996	

5) Change the Decision to "School Attendance Begins"

Dependency Decisions:
 Person: Relationship: Date of Birth: File Number: SSN: Reason for No SSN:

 Event Date: Award Status: Decision: Award Effective Date:

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- Military Eligibility
- Military Payment Info
- Rating
- Fraud

Modify Display:
 Sort: **First Sort By:** **Then Sort By:** **On Date:**
 Filter:

6) Change the Award Effective Date to the first of the month following the month school begins

Event Date	Person	Relationship	Date of Birth	File Number	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number
05/13/2014	minor childfour	Minor Child	01/01/2014	12/15/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
05/13/2014	minor childfour	Not an Award Dependent	08/15/2023	08/15/2023	School Attendance Begins	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
05/28/2014	minor childfive	Minor Child	02/01/2014	01/01/2014	School Attendance Terminates	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
05/28/2014	minor childfive	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	Eligible Minor Child	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
05/28/2014	minor childfive	School Child	01/01/2023	01/01/2023	Turns 18	Child	663258943	01/02/1996	
08/08/2014	spouse man	Spouse	02/01/2014	01/05/2014	Eligible Minor Child	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
08/08/2014	spouse man	Not an Award Dependent	07/01/2014	06/02/2014	Turns 18	Child	225381121	08/15/2005	
08/20/2014	minor childthree	Not an Award Dependent			Eligible Minor Child	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	

Dependency Decisions:

Person	Relationship	Date of Birth	File Number	SSN	
<input type="text" value="minor childtwo"/>	<input type="text" value="Child"/>	<input type="text" value="01/02/1996"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text" value="663258943"/>	
Event Date	Award Status	Decision	Award Effective Date		
<input type="text" value="01/02/2014"/>	<input type="text" value="School Child"/>	<input type="text" value="School Attendance Begins"/>	<input type="text"/>		

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Filter:

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Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. Dt.	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Minor Child	12/01/2013	12/01/2013	Eligible Minor Child	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	School Child	02/01/2014	01/02/2014	School Attendance Child Begins	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Not an Award Dependent	06/01/2016	05/01/2016	School Attendance Child Terminates	Child	332522141	01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	04/22/2014	minor childtwo	Minor C						01/02/1996	
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	04/23/2014	minor childtwo	Not an Depend						01/02/1996	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Minor C						08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/13/2014	minor childfour	Not an Depend						08/15/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Minor C						01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	Not an Depend						01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	05/28/2014	minor childfive	School Child	01/01/2023	01/01/2023	School Attendance Child Begins	Child	662553223	01/01/2005	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Spouse	02/01/2014	01/05/2014	Dependency Established	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/08/2014	spouse man	Not an Award Dependent	07/01/2014	06/02/2014	Marriage Terminated	Spouse	665289921	01/01/1980	
<input type="radio"/>	08/20/2014	minor childthree	Not an Award Dependent				Child	218675912	01/02/1996	

Dependency Decisions:

Person	Relationship	Date of Birth	File Number	SSN	Reason for No SSN	<input type="button" value="Accept"/>
minor childtwo	Child	01/02/1996		663258943		<input type="button" value="Abandon"/>

Event Date	Award Status	Decision	Award Effective Date
01/02/2014	School Child	School Attendance Begins	02/01/2014

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7) Select "Accept" and the new line will appear in the grid

8) You will then be prompted to enter the School Attendance Termination date

Record Decisions - Dependency

● **ERROR: Please Enter the School Attendance Termination Date**

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- Basic Eligibility
- Dependency
- Elections
- Financial

Modify Display:

Sort: **First Sort By:**

Filter:

Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	Minor Child
<input type="radio"/>	04/21/2014	minor child	School Child

10) Entering the "Event Date" box will automatically populate the "Award Effective Date" with either the 1st of the following month, or the 23rd birthday, whichever is earlier

9) Select "Accept" and the new line will appear in the grid.

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Dependency Decision

Person	Relationship	Date of Birth	File Number	SSN	Reason for No SSN
minor childtwo					

Event Date	Award Status	Decision	Award Effective Date
04/01/2015	Not an Award Dependent	School Attendance Terminates	05/01/2015

Accept Abandon Accept

Done Return to Record Decisions

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There will now be three lines for the dependent in the grid. One for the original add date, one for the change of status from a minor child to a school child, and one for the removal from the award for either school ending or turning 23.

Select "Done" to save the decision.

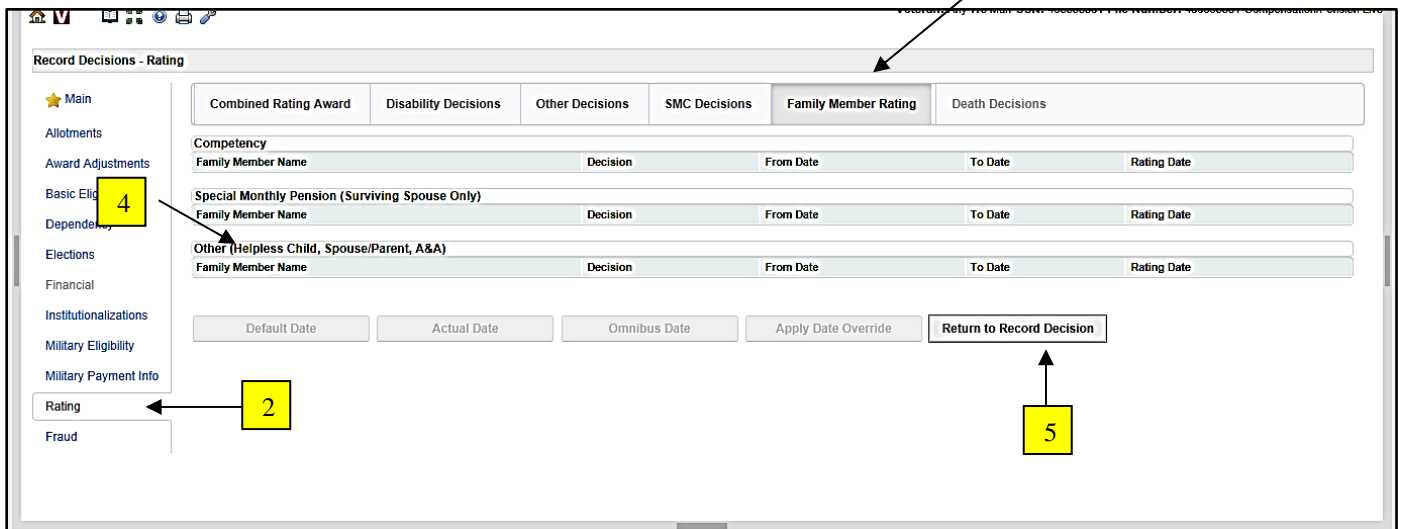
Dependency – Adding school child

Because adding a school child is basically the same as changing to a school child it was not included as a separate step-by-step action.

1. Select Add button and select **Person** to add as a school child.
2. Fill in Dependency Decisions section (**Event Date** is date school attendance begins; **Award Status** is school child, etc...then select Accept)
3. Select Ok on pop-up message; then input the date school attendance terminates and select Accept button)
4. Screen will look the same as above "except" it will not have the *Minor Child* line

Dependency - Add a helpless child

1. Before adding a helpless child through the dependency screen, first check to make sure that there is a rating decision to support the payment.
2. Select the **Rating** button on the Record Decisions screen.
3. View the **Family Member Ratings** tab.
4. A helpless child decision should display as shown below.
5. Select Return to Record Decisions to get out of Rating screen



Select the Dependency button in the row of decision screen buttons to open the Dependency decision screen.

Veteran: Any Wo Man SSN: 488888881 File Number: 488888881 Compensation/Pension Live

Record Decisions

★ Main

Show Only Decisions Pertinent to This Benefit:

Compensation

Select Claims to Associate with the Award Action:

Available Claims:

Claim Types	Name	Claim Date
Apportionment	MINOR CHILDFOUR	01/01/2014
Predetermination Notice	ANY WO MAN	05/28/2014

Add

Remove

Selected Claims:

Claim Types	Name	Claim Date
Dependency	ANY WO MAN	01/01/2014

Only Generate New Award Lines From:

Generate Award Review Current/Proposed Suspend/Resume Award History Decision History Diaries

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1. Select the **Add** button.
2. Select the **Person** for whom the dependency decision will be made.

The system will automatically populate Dependency Decisions section based on the information previously entered in the Corporate Record.

3. Enter the **Event Date**. In this case we are working a helpless child rating and will use the effective date of the rating, 07/04/2006.
4. Select the **Award Status** of Helpless Child.
5. Select the **Decision** of Rated Helpless.
6. Once the Decision is selected, the system will automatically record the **Award Effective Date**. This field can be modified if needed.
7. Select the **Accept** button to update the grid.
8. Select the **Done** button to save the decision and close the screen.

The screenshot shows the 'Dependency Decisions' section of a software application. At the top, there is a table with columns: Select, Decision Date, Person, Award Status, Award Eff. Dt., Event Date, Decision, Relationship, SSN, Date of Birth, and File Number. The table contains several rows of data. To the right of the table is a vertical toolbar with buttons: Add (highlighted with a yellow box labeled '1'), Edit, Delete, Undo, and History.

Below the table is a 'Dependency Decisions:' form. It has two rows of input fields. The first row contains: Person (dropdown, highlighted with a yellow box labeled '2'), Relationship (dropdown), Date of Birth (calendar icon), File Number (text input), SSN (text input), and Reason for No SSN (dropdown). The second row contains: Event Date (calendar icon, highlighted with a yellow box labeled '3'), Award Status (dropdown, highlighted with a yellow box labeled '4'), Decision (dropdown, highlighted with a yellow box labeled '5'), and Award Effective Date (calendar icon, highlighted with a yellow box labeled '6'). To the right of these fields are two buttons: 'Accept' (highlighted with a yellow box labeled '7') and 'Abandon'.

At the bottom of the screen, there is a status bar with the text 'Awards Version 7.1.65-23 [JAT - vba-sap102]' on the left and 'Thursday, October 02, 2014 03:46 pm / (-05:00) Eastern time (US & Canada)' on the right. A zoom level of 90% is also visible.

Dependency - Helpless child attends school

For compensation, a greater rate is payable if a helpless child attends an approved school after age 18. To pay the additional benefit while the child is in school, complete the following steps on the Dependency decision screen.

1. Select the **Add** button.
2. Select the helpless child under **Person**.
3. Enter the **Event Date** equal to; the first day of school attendance after turning 18, or the 18th birthday if attending school when they turn age 18.
4. Select the **Award Status** of School Child.
5. Select the **Decision** of School Attendance Begins.
6. Once the Decision is selected, the system will automatically record the **Award Effective Date**. This field can be modified if needed.
7. Select the **Accept** button.

The screenshot shows the 'Record Decisions - Dependency' interface. At the top left is a navigation menu with items like Main, Allotments, Award Adjustments, Basic Eligibility, Dependency, Elections, Financial, Institutionalizations, Military Eligibility, Military Payment Info, Rating, and Fund. The main area is divided into 'Modify Display' and 'Dependency Decisions' sections.

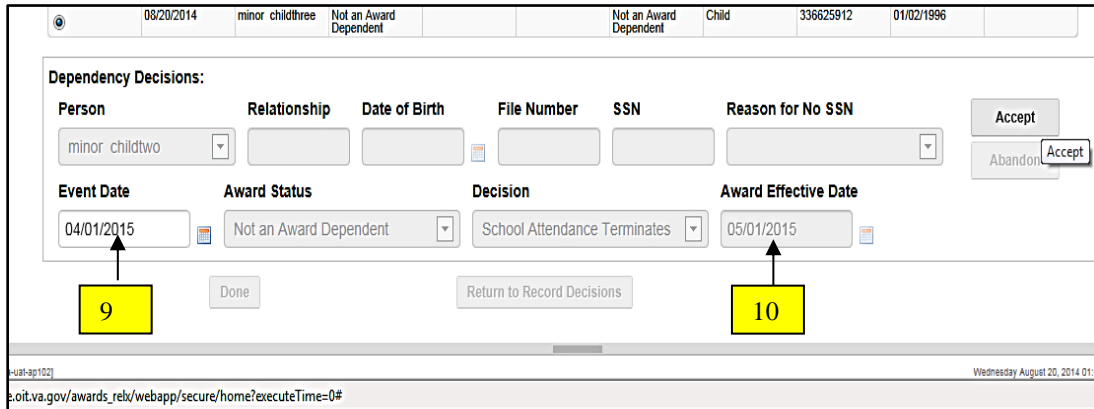
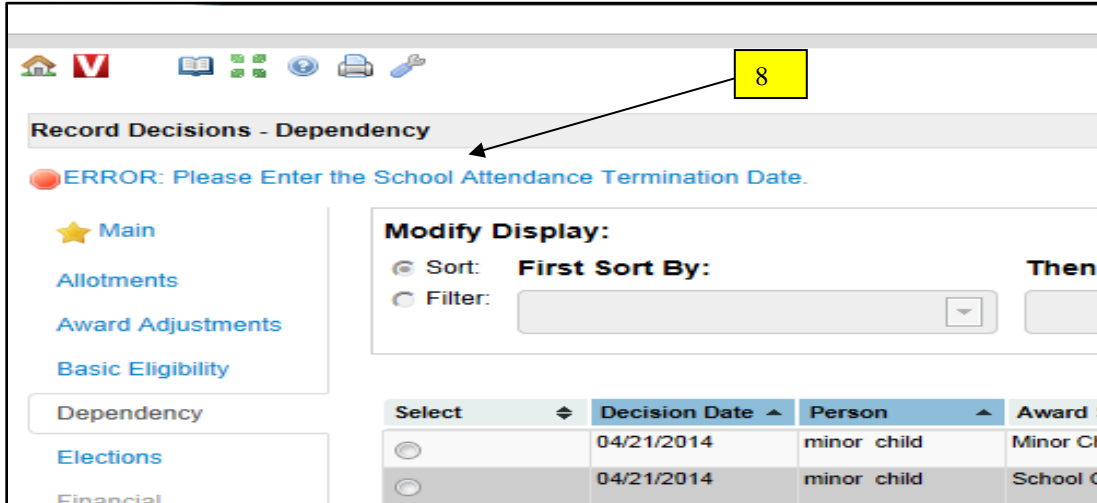
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Table: A table with columns: Select, Decision Date, Person, Award Status, Award Eff. Dt., Event Date, Decision, Relationship, SSN, Date of Birth, File Number. It contains two rows of data.

Dependency Decisions: A form with fields for Person, Relationship, Date of Birth, File Number, SSN, Reason for No SSN, Event Date, Award Status, Decision, and Award Effective Date. There are 'Accept' and 'Abandon' buttons.

Callouts: Yellow boxes with numbers 1-10 point to: 1. Add button; 2. Person dropdown; 3 and 9. Event Date field; 4. Award Status dropdown; 5. Decision dropdown; 6 and 10. Award Effective Date field; 7. Accept button.

8. A prompt will display to notify that the school termination date must be entered.



9. Enter the date the child is expected to graduate in the **Event Date** field
10. The system will automatically input the first of the following month as the **Award Effective Date**.

Note: if the school attendance continued beyond the child's 23rd birthday, the system would automatically input the 23rd birthday.

Unfortunately, if you were to stop here, the system would stop paying for the child entirely– (See next page).

To continue paying for the child at the helpless rate:

11. Select the data line indicating the dependent is no longer an award dependent.
12. Select the **Edit** button.
13. Change the **Award Status** to Helpless Child.
14. Change the **Decision** to Rated Helpless.
15. Change the Event Date and **Awd Eff Dt** to the 23rd birthday (or date school attendance terminates if the child is under age 23).
16. Select **Accept** to update the grid.
17. Select **Done** to save the decision and close the screen.

Record Decisions - Dependency

Modify Display:

Sort: First Sort By: Then Sort By: On Date: View

Filler: View All

Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. Dt	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number	
<input type="radio"/>	12/04/2013	ANGENLO LYLE	Helpless Child	05/01/2013	04/29/2013	Rated Helpless	Child	125354878	02/02/1987		
<input type="radio"/>	04/25/2014	Helpless childwo	Helpless Child	11/01/2013	10/01/2013	Rated Helpless	Child	863828193	01/01/1994		
<input type="radio"/>	10/02/2014	Helpless childwo	School Child	01/01/2012	10/01/2012	School Attendance Begins	Child	863828193	01/01/1994		
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	10/02/2014	Helpless childwo	Not an Award Dependent	01/01/2015	12/01/2014	School Attendance Terminates	Child	863828193	01/01/1994		

Dependency Decisions:

Person Relationship Date of Birth File Number SSN Reason for No SSN Accept Abandon

Event Date Award Status Decision Award Effective Date

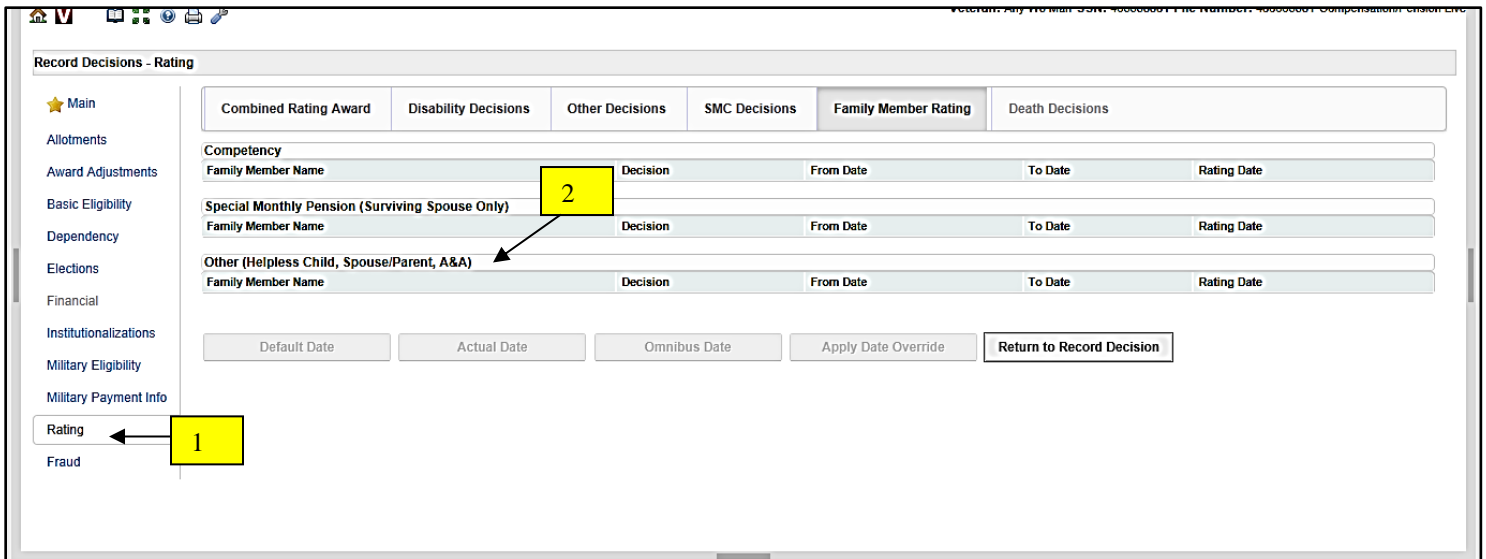
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Dependency - Add spouse aid & attendance

Before paying the additional amount for Aid and Attendance for a spouse, first check to make sure that there is a rating decision to support the payment.

1. Select the **Rating** button.
2. View the **Family Member Ratings** tab.



On the Dependency screen:

1. Select the **Add** button.
2. Select the spouse from the **Person** drop down menu.
3. Enter the **Event Date** which should be equal to the effective date of A&A per the rating decision.
4. Select the **Status** of AA Spouse.
5. Select the **Decision** of Rated A&A.
6. Once the Decision is selected, the system will automatically record the **Award Effective Date**. This field can be modified if needed but should be the first of the month following A&A grant.
7. Select the **Accept** button to update the grid.
8. Select the **OK** button to save the decision and close the screen.

The screenshot shows the 'Record Decisions - Dependency' interface. At the top, there are 'Modify Display' options for sorting and filtering. Below this is a table of existing dependency records. A yellow callout '1' points to the 'Add' button on the right side of the table. Below the table is a 'Dependency Decisions' form. A yellow callout '2' points to the 'Person' dropdown menu, which is currently set to 'Bonnie Blair'. A yellow callout '3' points to the 'Event Date' field, which is set to '10/01/2014'. A yellow callout '4' points to the 'Award Status' dropdown menu, which is set to 'AA Spouse'. A yellow callout '5' points to the 'Decision' dropdown menu, which is set to 'Rated A&A'. A yellow callout '6' points to the 'Award Effective Date' field, which is set to '11/01/2014'. A yellow callout '7' points to the 'Accept' button. At the bottom of the form, a yellow callout '8' points to the 'Done' button.

Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. DL	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number
<input type="radio"/>	08/27/2014	Beumont Blair	Not an Award Dependent	04/01/2013	03/01/2013	School Not Approved	Child	321232233	12/10/1982	
<input type="radio"/>	08/27/2014	Bonnie Blair	Spouse	04/01/2013	03/01/2013	Dependency Established	Spouse	123212333	09/22/1963	
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	08/27/2014	Witzy Blair	Not an Award Dependent	04/01/2013	03/01/2013	Stepchild Not in Household	Child	213213212	04/01/2000	

Dependency Decisions:

Person: Bonnie Blair (dropdown)
Relationship: Spouse
Date of Birth: 09/22/1963
File Number: [empty]
SSN: 123212333
Reason for No SSN: [empty] (dropdown)
Accept (button)
Abandon (button)

Event Date: 10/01/2014
Award Status: AA Spouse (dropdown)
Decision: Rated A&A (dropdown)
Award Effective Date: 11/01/2014

Buttons: Done, Return, ons

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The screen is shown below after adding the Aid and Attendance decision.

The screenshot displays the 'Dependency' section of a software interface. On the left is a navigation menu with options: Allotments, Award Adjustments, Basic Eligibility, Dependency (selected), Elections, Financial, Institutionalizations, Military Eligibility, Military Payment Info, Rating, and Fraud. The main area shows a table of dependency decisions with columns: Select, Decision Date, Person, Award Status, Award Eff. Dt., Event Date, Decision, Relationship, SSN, Date of Birth, and File Number. The table contains four rows of data. To the right of the table are buttons for Add, Edit, Delete, Undo, and History. Below the table is a 'Dependency Decisions:' form with fields for Person, Relationship, Date of Birth, File Number, SSN, Reason for No SSN, Event Date, Award Status, Decision, and Award Effective Date. There are 'Accept' and 'Abandon' buttons for the form, and 'Done' and 'Return to Record Decisions' buttons at the bottom.

Select	Decision Date	Person	Award Status	Award Eff. Dt.	Event Date	Decision	Relationship	SSN	Date of Birth	File Number
<input type="radio"/>	08/27/2014	Beaumont Blair	Not an Award Dependent	04/01/2013	03/01/2013	School Not Approved	Child	321232233	12/10/1992	
<input type="radio"/>	08/27/2014	Bonnie Blair	Spouse	04/01/2013	03/01/2013	Dependency Established	Spouse	123212333	09/22/1963	
<input type="radio"/>	08/27/2014	Witchy Blair	Not an Award Dependent	04/01/2013	03/01/2013	Stepchild Not in Household	Child	213213212	04/01/2000	
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	10/02/2014	Bonnie Blair	AA Spouse	11/01/2014	10/01/2014	Rated A&A	Spouse	123212333	09/22/1963	

Variation:

If A&A had been granted back to the date the spouse was added to the award (in this case the original date of claim), it would be necessary to select the line establishing the spouse followed by the **Edit** button to change the **Award Status** to A&A spouse and the **Decision** to Rated A&A.

Dependency – Remove a Dependent

Remove any dependent from the initial eligibility date:

To remove a dependent effective the date they were initially added to the award, use the following steps on the Dependency screen:

1. Select the line in the grid that initially established the dependent
2. Select the **Delete** button.
3. Select the **Accept** button.
4. Select **Yes** to the prompt displayed to confirm the decision to delete the decision.
5. Select **Done** to save the decision and close the screen.

Remove spouse or helpless child dependent after the initial eligibility date:

1. To remove a dependent spouse after the initial eligibility date for the dependency:
2. Select the **Add** button.
3. Select the spouse or helpless child from the **Person** drop-down menu.
4. Select the **Award Status** of Not an Award Dependent.
5. Select the **Decision** that supports removing the dependent.
6. Enter the **Award Effective Date** that the dependent is to be removed from the award.
7. Select **Accept** to update the grid.
8. Select **Done** to save the decision and close the screen.

Remove minor child or school child dependent after the initial eligibility date:

To remove a dependent child after the initial eligibility date for the dependent but prior to the established end date (age 18, end of school attendance):

1. Select the line in the grid that removes the award dependent.
2. Select the **Edit** button.
3. Record the **Event Date**.
4. Update the **Award Status**.
5. Select the **Decision** that supports removing the dependent.
6. Record the **Award Effective Date**.
7. Select **Accept** to update the grid.
8. Select **Done** to save the decision and close the screen.