

## Dependent Definitions and Relationship Documentation

In order to enroll a dependent in benefits, they must meet their appropriate eligibility definition and all required documents must be presented within 30 days of new hire.

DEPENDENT	ELIGIBILITY DEFINITION	<b>RELATIONSHIP DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED</b>
Spouse	An individual to whom you are legally married	<ul> <li>A photocopy of your marriage license AND</li> <li>A copy of the front page of your federal tax return for the most recent tax year showing your spouse's name</li> </ul>
Child	Your child, that meets the specific benefit eligibility criteria as below, includes: Your Biological Child(ren) Your Step-Child(ren) Your Legally Adopted Child(ren) Child Under Legal Guardianship* Medical/Dental/Vision/Life Insurance A child, who is under the age of 26. Coverage is available through the end of the month in which they turn age 26. Tuition You IRS tax-dependent, unmarried child(ren). Child may be IRS tax-dependent of employee's ex-spouse. Step-children must be the employees IRS tax-dependent. Visit www.nmu.edu/hr/tuition for full eligibility.	<ul> <li>Biological Child(ren):</li> <li>A photocopy of the child's birth certificate showing your name as the parent AND</li> <li>A photocopy of your (or your ex-spouse's) federal tax return for the most recent tax year showing the dependent listed.</li> <li>Step-Child(ren):</li> <li>A photocopy of the child's birth certificate showing your spouse's name as the parent AND</li> <li>A photocopy of your federal tax return for the most recent tax year showing the dependent listed.</li> <li>Legally Adopted Child(ren):</li> <li>A photocopy of the Adoption Final Decree with the presiding judge's signature and seal</li> <li>Child Under Legal Guardianship:</li> <li>A photocopy of the Final Court Order appointing guardianship</li> </ul>
Child with Disability	Any dependent child that otherwise meets the criteria of "child" as specified above and is disabled:	<ul> <li>Documentation as noted above for "child" dependent type AND</li> <li>A photocopy of your federal tax return for the most recent tax year showing the dependent listed</li> </ul>
Household Member*	<ul> <li>An adult individual that you desire to enroll in the health care plan, if a spouse is not already enrolled, that meets the following criteria:</li> <li>At the time of proposed enrollment, has resided with you for a minimum of the previous 18 continuous months.</li> <li>Is not a "dependent" of you as defined by the IRS.</li> <li>NOT ELIGIBLE:</li> <li>Your children and their descendants, your parents and their descendants, siblings, nieces, nephews, grandparents and their descendants, renters, boarders, tenants.</li> </ul>	Household Member Program (HMP) enrollment form and affidavit           NOTE: This is a taxable benefit
Household Member Dependent*	Children under age 26 of the Household Member, as defined above, who are a member of your household and meet IRS dependent criteria.	<ul> <li>Household Member Program (HMP) enrollment form and affidavit AND</li> <li>Appropriate documentation of a child as defined above</li> </ul>

\*Please note that you may black out all financial information on required documentation.

## \*Individual is not eligible for the NMU Tuition Scholarship Program