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# Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family of the Slovak Republic

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## Claimants

A child allowance may be claimed by:

- the parent of a dependent child;
- a parent who has been granted custody of the child by a court;
- a person entrusted by a final court ruling to care for a dependent child instead of the child's parents;
- an adult dependent child if he or she is not the parent of a dependent child;
- an adult dependent child if his or her parents have an obligation of maintenance;
- a dependent adult child if, until the age of majority, he or she has been placed in nonparental care;
- a dependent adult child who is married;
- a dependent adult child whose marriage has ended;
- a minor parent granted parental responsibility.

If **multiple claimants** meet the statutory conditions, **only one of them is entitled to the allowance** for the same child. They must agree on who the beneficiary will be.

If a court grants the parents alternating custody of a minor or approves an agreement that has been reached by the parents, the allowance and supplement are paid to the beneficiary to whom the allowance and supplement were paid before the minor was placed in alternating custody or before the parents' agreement was approved, unless the minor's parents agree in writing to change the beneficiary.

If parents who have been granted alternating custody agree in writing on the alternation of the allowance and supplement, each of the parents may claim the allowance and supplement, but always for a period of at least 6 consecutive calendar months.