Children Entity Documentation

High-Level Overview

The **Children entity** represents individual children linked to a beneficiary household. Each record contains basic demographic information about the child and a connection to their parent (the beneficiary).

Stages:

- **Children** → default stage for all minors under 18.

- **Over 18** → when a child surpasses the age threshold, they can be transitioned to this stage for archival/reference.

This allows tracking of children separately while maintaining linkage to their household.

Technical Details

Fields

- **Date of Birth** → child's birth date.

- **Gender** → gender (Boy/Girl/Other, depending on list options).

- **Age** → calculated or manually entered age, used for eligibility checks.

- **Parent** → link to the Beneficiary record (household head or guardian).

Integration Notes

- The **Parent field** creates a direct connection to the **Beneficiaries entity**, ensuring children are always tied to a household.

- Fields like **Date of Birth** and **Age** are used in **child deduplication checks** (to detect multiple registrations of children with the same name and DOB).