

Grief Counselling And Grief Therapy A Handbook For The Mental Health Practitioner

"Gamino and Ritter do an excellent job of providing cogent advice and helpful suggestions for how professionals can manage ethical dilemmas that arise from the practice of grief counseling." -J. William Worden, PhD, ABPP Clinical Psychologist Laguna Niguel, California Author, *Grief Counseling and Grief Therapy*, 4th Edition (From the Foreword) Essential reading for grief counselors, mental health clinicians, death educators, hospice workers, clergy, funeral directors, and social workers. Grief counselors are confronted daily with a host of serious ethical dilemmas, some so critical that they can drastically change the course of a counselor's practice and career. This practical and authoritative guide serves as a comprehensive handbook for navigating the difficult ethical issues grief counselors confront daily with clients. These include confidentiality, end-of-life issues, intimacies with clients, challenges posed by unnatural deaths, spiritual and cultural considerations, and many more. To tackle these issues head on, Gamino and Ritter present the Five P Model, a customized process for ethical decision-making that will help counselors outline a specific, step-by-step course of action to respond to the ethical dilemma at hand. The book is also rich with case examples, both hypothetical and real-life, to demonstrate how to implement the Five P Model in practice, and apply it to various ethical dilemmas. Among the key topics discussed: How to address ethical problems posed by Internet counseling, such as authenticating identity, securing confidentiality, and intervening in a crisis Death competence on the part of the counselor and how the counselor's own experience of grieving can inform counseling practice Guidance on how to report a colleague or face a complaint How to meet ethical obligations towards clients when moving or closing a practice

Techniques of Grief Therapy: Assessment and Intervention continues where the acclaimed *Techniques of Grief Therapy: Creative Practices for Counseling the Bereaved* left off, offering a whole new set of innovative approaches to grief therapy to address the needs of the bereaved. This new volume includes a variety of specific and practical therapeutic techniques, each conveyed in concrete detail and anchored in an illustrative case study. *Techniques of Grief Therapy: Assessment and Intervention* also features an entire new section on assessment of various challenges in coping with loss, with inclusion of the actual scales and scoring keys to facilitate their use by practitioners and researchers. Providing both an orientation to bereavement work and an indispensable toolkit for counseling survivors of losses of many kinds, this book belongs on the shelf of both experienced clinicians and those just beginning to delve into the field of grief therapy.

"The authors have done their homework in reading and consulting with the prominent literature, especially regarding children. All this effort gives the book a solid background foundation and makes it readable, and well-usable, for both lay counsellors and professional providers, and for all of us who are engaged in the delicate and rewarding endeavor of Grief Therapy" - Naji Abi-Hashem, Clinical & Cultural Psychologist, Berkeley, California Praise for the First Edition: "The book provides an absorbing and challenging journey through the possible process involved in bereavement work, and encourages one to think broadly about how one can approach a bereaved person... this was a book I enjoyed reading very much, and which I found both theoretically sound and practically helpful" - Bereavement Care (Cruse) *Counselling for Grief and Bereavement*, Second Edition is a bestselling, introductory guide for professionals who work with people experiencing bereavement through death and other forms of loss. Focusing on practical assessment and intervention strategies, Geraldine Humphrey and David Zimpfer guide readers through the essential theory and skills needed to work with clients in a way which sensitively facilitates the process of grief, initiates healing and promotes a sense of growth. Setting out the broad principles for practice, the authors go on to show how these can be applied in working with individuals, families and groups and in relation to specific issues including chronic and life-threatening illnesses, palliative care and complicated grief. Carefully chosen case examples illustrate the counselling process, while specific attention is paid throughout to ethical considerations and the possible need for referral. This fully revised and updated Second Edition features a new chapter on working with children and adolescents: both from the perspective of young people who are grieving losses and those who are receiving palliative care as patients. While focusing on the practical, the book provides a firm theoretical base by explaining key concepts such as attachment, grief and resilience. Geraldine M. Humphrey is Counsellor in the Department of Psychology at the North Canton Medical Foundation, specializing in death, illnesses, and non-death and grief. David G. Zimpfer is former Director of the Cancer Center of Ohio.

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Superhero Grief uses modern superhero narratives to teach the principles of grief theories and concepts and provide practical ideas for promoting healing. Chapters offer clinical strategies, approaches, and interventions, including strategies based in expressive arts and complementary therapies. Leading researchers, clinicians, and professionals address major topics in death, dying, and bereavement, using superhero narratives to explore loss in the context of bereavement and to promote a contextual view of issues and relationship types that can improve coping skills. This volume provides support and psychoeducation to students, clinicians, educators, researchers, and the bereaved while contributing significantly to the literature on the intersection of death, grief, and trauma.

This core, introductory textbook for undergraduate and graduate-level courses is the first to combine the knowledge and skills of counseling psychology with current theory and research in grief and bereavement. The second edition has been updated to reflect important new research and changes in the field, including insights on complicated grief, resilience after adverse life experiences, and compassion-based approaches to death, loss, and grief. It discusses the implications of the DSM-5's omission of the bereavement exclusion for the diagnosis of a major depressive disorder. A completely new chapter on the social context of loss addresses social messages, grieving rules, workplace policies, and the disenfranchisement of many aspects of normal, health grief. The text also touches upon three new therapies for complicated grief that have been developed by major researchers in the field. New case scenarios further enrich the second edition.

Dealing with the social experience of grief, loss and bereavement are challenging areas for everyone, including health and social care practitioners who are often well placed to offer help and support to the bereaved. This book draws together a comprehensive range of worldwide evidence for understanding and supporting the bereaved in a variety of health and social care contexts. It can be used by practitioners from a wide range of backgrounds in both health and social care to gain an appreciation of bereavement and its associated support and care. Additionally, it can be used for personal and professional development by practitioners who want to enhance their own and others' practice with the bereaved in specific contexts or organisations. The book may also be of value to those undertaking post graduate study who want to gain a wider understanding of the evidence related to bereavement and bereavement care practice in health and social care and may be seeking to add to the body of evidence in this field.

A manual of practical understanding and advice for those who wish to help the bereaved.

Contains 63 ready-to-copy homework assignments that can be used to counsel bereaved clients Exercises help clients develop new coping skills and address grief-related problems and issues Assignments are available online for quick customization Help bereaved clients deal with and work through a difficult time in their lives *Grief Counseling Homework Planner*, provides you with an array of ready-to-use, between-session assignments designed to help clients better understand their grief and the grieving process. 63 ready-to-copy exercises covering the most common issues encountered in grief therapy A quick-reference format—the interactive assignments are organized around the most typical stages of the grieving process Expert guidance on how and when to make the most efficient use of the exercises Homework that enables clients to work through the issues surrounding their loss through reflective thought, personal management, problem resolution, and self-healing All exercises are available online for you to download and customize to suit you and your clients' unique styles and needs Understanding loss and its effects is integral to effective counseling and support in the treatment of grief. This book is both a guide to the key

theories of bereavement, and a practical workbook that can be used with clients to help them understand and work through their grief in a positive, transformative way. Divided into two parts, the first section presents current models of grief used by thanatologists, and advice on when to apply them, these models provide a springboard to deepen the conversation with clients, allowing them to discover insights, consider memories and express their pain. In the second part of the book, creative exercises encourage clients to engage with their stories and actively apply their discoveries to their own healing. Offering a straightforward guide to bereavement models and therapeutic approaches, with photocopiable exercises and worksheets, *The Creative Toolkit for Working with Grief and Bereavement* is a valuable resource for information on grief and how to help grieving clients, and an invitation to explore creative possibilities for healing.

Attachment-Informed Grief Therapy bridges the fields of attachment studies and thanatology, uniting theory, research, and practice to enrich our understanding of how and why people grieve and how we can help the bereaved. In its pages, clinicians and students will gain a new understanding of the etiology of complicated grief and its treatment and will become better equipped to formulate accurate and specific case conceptualization and treatment plans. The authors also illustrate the ways in which the therapeutic relationship is a crucially important—though largely unrecognized—element in grief therapy, and offer guidelines for an attachment informed view of the therapeutic relationship that can serve as the foundation of all grief therapy.

"Techniques of Grief Therapy is an indispensable guidebook to the most inventive and inspirational interventions in grief and bereavement counseling and therapy. Individually, each technique emphasizes creativity and practicality. As a whole, they capture the richness of practices in the field and the innovative approaches that clinicians in diverse settings have developed, in some cases over decades, to effectively address the needs of the bereaved. New professionals and seasoned clinicians will find dozens of ideas that are ready to implement and are packed with useful features, including: An intuitive, thematic organization that makes it easy to find the right technique for a particular situation Expert guidance on implementing each technique and tips on avoiding common pitfalls Sample worksheets and activities for use in session and as homework assignments Illustrative case studies and transcripts"

When we're grieving the death of someone loved, we need the support and compassion of our fellow human beings. Grief support groups provide a wonderful opportunity for this very healing kind of support. This book is for professional or lay caregivers who want to start and lead an effective grief support group for adults. It explains how to get a group started and how to keep it running smoothly once it's underway. The group leader's roles and responsibilities are explored in detail, including communication skills, trust building, handling problems, and more. This Guide also includes twelve meeting plans that interface with the second editions of *Understanding Your Grief* and *The Understanding Your Grief Journal*. Each week group members read a chapter in the main text, complete a chapter in the journal, and come to group ready for you to guide them through an exploration of the content. Meeting plans include suggestions for how to open each session as well as engaging exercises and activities. A Certificate of Completion you can photocopy and give to group members in the final meeting is provided.

If ever there was an area requiring that the research-practice gap be bridged, surely it occurs where thanatologists engage with people dealing with human mortality and loss. The field of thanatology—the study of death and dying—is a complex, multidisciplinary area that encompasses the range of human experiences, emotions, expectations, and realities. *The Handbook of Thanatology* is the most authoritative volume in the field, providing a single source of up-to-date scholarship, research, and practice implications. The handbook is the recommended resource for preparation for the prestigious certificate in thanatology (CT) and fellow in thanatology (FT) credentials, which are administered and granted by ADEC.

Get the tools to help the grief that comes when a dream dies Every person at one time or another suffers when his or her dreams are shattered. *Creative Interventions in Grief and Loss Therapy: When the Music Stops, a Dream Dies* provides truly innovative approaches to therapeutically help individuals work through and survive grief and loss. Leading experts explore creative interventions for common, yet emotionally devastating problems faced by those weathering the storms of grief after their dream has been destroyed. Therapists and counselors get the effective tools to creatively help people through the difficulties of dealing with death, addiction, trauma, changes in life circumstances, divorce, heartbreak, miscarriage, co-occurring mental health and substance use disorder (COD), suicide, adoption, and issues with children. The chapters in this innovative volume cite existing research on specific grief and loss issues and illustrate a clinical application for each situation using various creative mediums such as music, writing, or ritual. Each approach can be expanded and modified with care by clinicians of all types to better help clients through the process. This resource is extensively referenced. Topics in *Creative Interventions in Grief and Loss Therapy* include: how storytelling, journaling, and correspondence can be used to process the experience of a counselor's loss following the death of their client using psychodrama and the utilization of empty chair techniques to address addiction related grief and loss the use of rituals as an intervention to help clients trauma and loss during times of natural disasters the process of gatekeeping by counselor educators Emotional Freedom Technique (EFT) as an approach to help student athletes deal with life after the sport a literary exercise to help clients work toward forgiveness after divorce using books, songs, and projects to assist clients experiencing grief after the death of their adolescent child creative strategies to aid clients through the grief and loss of love effective interventions to assist clients through loss from miscarriage using music, videography, visual arts, literature, drama, play, and altar-making in the grief process innovative interventions for individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance use disorder suicide high risk factors—and a Pre-suicide Preparation Plan that mental health practitioners can implement creative intervention for the client who is adopted using super heroes and science fiction therapeutic storytelling for children in grief *Creative Interventions in Grief and Loss Therapy: When the Music Stops, a Dream Dies* is a creative, reaffirming resource perfect for mental health professionals, therapists, counselors, social workers, educators, and students.

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New Techniques of Grief Therapy: Bereavement and Beyond expands on the mission of the previous two *Techniques* books, featuring innovative approaches to address the needs of those whose lives have been shadowed by loss—whether through bereavement, serious illness, the rupture of a relationship, or other complex or intangible losses, such as of an identity-defining career. The book starts with several framing chapters by prominent theorists that provide a big-picture orientation to grief work and follows with a generous toolkit of creative therapeutic techniques described in concrete detail and anchored in illustrative case studies to convey their use in actual practice. *New Techniques of Grief Therapy* is an indispensable resource for professionals working in hospice, hospital, palliative care, and elder care settings; clinicians in broader health-care and mental health-care practices; executive coaches; and students in the field of grief therapy.

Grief Counseling and Grief Therapy, Fourth Edition A Handbook for the Mental Health Practitioner Springer Publishing Company This practice-oriented book describes a range of effective counseling strategies appropriate for the treatment of diverse loss and grief issues commonly presented in individual, family, and group psychotherapy settings. Based on contemporary understandings of the nature of personal and interpersonal loss and the ways in which people integrate loss and grief into their lives, this innovative book focuses on tailoring interventions to the uniqueness of the griever's experience. In Part 1, Dr. Humphrey discusses a variety of death- and non-death-related loss and grief experiences, offers conceptualization guidelines, outlines selected psychosocial factors, and describes intervention based on two contemporary grief models. Part 2 provides detailed therapeutic strategies organized according to focus or theoretical origins along with suggestions for implementation and customization to client uniqueness. Specific chapters include cognitive-behavioral and constructivist strategies, emotion-focused strategies, narrative therapy, solution-focused therapy, and adjunctive activities. The final chapter focuses on

counselor roles and recommended professional and personal practices.

Loss, grief, and trauma come into the lives of adolescents in many forms and with more frequency than the adults in their lives may realize. Assessing the depth and nature of their emotions can be difficult; adolescents are typically reluctant to show strong emotions and can be difficult to reach, particularly when they experience the untimely death of a loved one. How best to work with a young person who may have trouble communicating their emotions even under the best of circumstances? And what if he or she has learned about the death of a loved one or classmate from another peer rather than a family member? What about gender differences and the influence of culture and family? What role do cell phones, text messaging, and technologies such as Facebook play in the adolescent grief experience? Adolescents' use of technology creates unlimited access to friends, support systems, and information, but news that spreads quickly without buffering effects can intensify the strength of the adolescent grief responses. *Counseling Adolescents Through Loss, Grief, and Trauma* not only examines these issues; it also provides clinicians with a wealth of resources and time-tested therapeutic activities that are sure to become an indispensable part of any clinician's practice.

The process of grief does not change a person as much as it reveals another part of the self. *Life After Loss: Contemporary Grief Counseling and Therapy* is a reader friendly book with tools, techniques, and compass points to help others with the experience of grief. Going beyond the well-known but outmoded stage theories of grief, this book explores and illustrates new models of treatment, applying them to the lived experience of bereaved clients. Best applied practices are examined, and the book quickly becomes a 'go-to' resource for typical and complicated facilitation of grief. Topics include: Clinical practices for natural and complicated grief processes What went wrong with Kubler-Ross' stage theory of grief The functions of emotions in grief The impact of death on the family Death, grief, and spirituality Loneliness and isolation The social and cultural ceremonies of death Meaning making and growth following loss

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Loss, Grief, and Attachment in Life Transitions gives readers an attachment-informed grief counseling framework and a new way of understanding non-death loss and its treatment. Loss and grief are viewed through a wide-angle lens with relevance to the whole of human life, including the important area of career counseling and occupational consultation. The book is founded on the key themes of the Transition Cycle: welcome and contact, attachment and bonding, intimacy and sexuality, separation and loss, grief and meaning reconstruction. Rich in case material related to loss and change, the book provides the tools for adopting a highly personalized approach to working with clients facing a range of life transitions. This book is a highly relevant and practical volume for grief counselors and other mental health professionals looking to incorporate attachment theory into their clinical practice.

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Praise for the First Edition: "The book is well-written, interesting, informative, thorough, and useful! As an educator for 43 years, this is the sort of text that I would be pleased to use in my classroom!...I would highly recommend this book! It is an important contribution to the field!" -- Gerry R. Cox, PhD, *Illness, Crisis and Loss* This core, introductory textbook for undergraduate and graduate-level courses is the first to combine the knowledge and skills of counseling psychology with current theory and research in grief and bereavement. The second edition has been updated to reflect important new research and changes in the field, including insights on complicated grief, resilience after adverse life experiences, and compassion-based approaches to death, loss, and grief. It discusses the implications of the DSM-5's omission of the bereavement exclusion for the diagnosis of a major depressive disorder. A completely new chapter on the social context of loss addresses social messages, grieving rules, workplace policies, and the disenfranchisement of many aspects of normal, health grief. The text also touches upon some of the therapies that have been developed by major researchers in the field to address complicated grief. New case scenarios further enrich the second edition. The text is grounded in the belief that grief counseling is distinct from other therapeutic issues because it is an adaptive response rather than a form of pathology. It describes the unique aspects of grief as a normal response to losses both death and non-death related, and views the goal of counseling bereaved individuals as one of facilitating the unfolding of the healthy and adaptive aspects of the process as it manifests itself within each client. The book introduces various theories of bereavement and examines different therapeutic modalities that can be used in the context of grief and loss. Specific counseling practices that facilitate successful interventions are discussed, particularly that of "presence," considered by the authors to be the primary therapeutic stance when working with bereaved individuals. The text also addresses grief counseling with special populations, ethical issues, and self-care concerns for counselors. Case studies, discussion and reflection questions, and suggested additional resources are included in each chapter. New to the Second Edition: New insights on complicated grief, DSM categorizations of grief, resilience, and compassion-based approaches to death, loss, and grief A completely new chapter on the social context of loss, including social messaging, grieving rules, and workplace policies New case scenarios Addresses the unique aspects of grief after suicide and homicide Distinguishes grief/complicated grief from depression and trauma New information on the role and use of grief support groups New information on the use of social media and privacy issues Newly developed models of compassion-based response for counselors Application of current neuroscience research to grief counseling Use of technology and online counseling Key Features: Provides research-supported, practical guidance for grief counseling and support Regards grief therapy as a unique form of counseling based on grief as an adaptive response rather than as a form of pathology Written by two internationally recognized leaders in the field Focuses on the importance of 'presence' as the most important therapeutic foundation for working with bereaved individuals Includes questions for reflection and glossary of terms

Are you undergoing a loss of a loved one—a spouse, a partner, a parent, a child, or someone else who had been a vital part of your life and about whom you cared deeply? Has your loss left you sad, confused, angry, and full of questions that seem to have no answers? If any of these examples describe your current situation, chances are that you are experiencing grief, a natural, normal response to encountering any major loss. Grief is an emotional distress that you suffer when someone or something close to you has been taken away. It is a multidimensional experience that can affect you physically, emotionally, socially, and even spiritually. Grief can come upon women or men at any age or stage of life, and it cuts across all socioeconomic levels. No one escapes loss; whatever your philosophical or spiritual belief system, experiencing a significant loss and the subsequent grieving can shake up your psyche. In this book we use the analogy of your life as being on a road trip, and now, with the death of your loved one, you are forced to travel the detour of grieving. This book is focused totally on recovery from the emotional pain caused by death. For all of you struggling with unresolved grief issues of a loved one, I know that the actions outlined in this book will lead you to completion of the pain caused by this loss. I also know that recovery is not an easy journey. I know that your losses may have closed your heart down. If I could, I would be with you as you take the actions that will lead your heart to open again.

Get a unique insight into health, bereavement, and healing! Bereavement Counseling: Pastoral Care for Complicated Grieving is a practical guide to the assessment and treatment of complicated grief responses, using a pastoral approach that combines clinical and spiritual care. The book addresses current theory, observations, and experience, and examines changing approaches and developing standards of practice. The author, an ordained minister with an extensive background in pastoral counseling, integrates spirituality into the grieving process by focusing on the partnership between spirituality and healing, the resources of spiritual practices, and the functions of counseling and spiritual/pastoral psychotherapy. By providing usable treatment strategies, sharing standard interventions, and promoting technical skill for caregivers, Bereavement Counseling: Pastoral Care for Complicated Grieving places sustained emphasis on giving voice to grief and recovery. The author draws from more than 20 years' experience in ministry, teaching, supervision, consultation, and therapy to present stories, vignettes, and poetry that give depth and life to the grieving process. These vignettes provide a unique insight into health, bereavement, and healing and create a living context for maintaining a person-centered focus that promotes meaning and leads to positive outcomes. The book provides templates as assessment and treatment planning aids and includes an extensive bibliography of up-to-date journal articles that reflect the latest research in the field. Topics addressed in Bereavement Counseling: Pastoral Care for Complicated Grieving include: universal grief processes and responses dysfunctional grieving therapies and treatment priorities reorganization and recovery how perceptions, thoughts, and belief influence care and much more! Bereavement Counseling: Pastoral Care for Complicated Grieving is a practical resource for clergy, pastoral care specialists, and anyone needing to help others bear with the pain of grief, process loss, gain new insight and meaning, and experience a renewed sense of healing and connection.

An in-depth guide to the counseling process and establishing a trusting relationship with clients—from a bestselling author and grieving expert Helping people in grief means being an empathetic companion—someone who allows grievers to be experts of their own experiences, who bears witness without judging, who gently encourages the expression of thoughts and feelings. But even if you approach the work with this understanding, how you "are" when you spend time with the griever also has a tremendous influence on your capacity to help. How do you develop a relationship with the griever? How do you show empathy, respect, warmth, and genuineness? Could you improve your listening, paraphrasing, clarifying, perception checking, informing, and other essential helping skills? Whether you are a professional counselor or a lay helper, whether you have years of experience or are new to the work, this guide, based on by Dr. Wolfelt's companioning philosophy, will help you be the most effective grief companion you can be.

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"Although I have been a hospice nurse for almost 19 years, I am not a counselor. However, I will be able to use some of the information I learned here to assist my patients and my colleagues with issues encountered during the difficult time when patients are dying and families are struggling with realities. I will definitely share this book with our bereavement counselors and social workers." Score: 90, 4 stars --Doody's "[T]his is a book about possibilities—not finalities...about all the different ways that people deal with loss and bereavement—and how solution focused brief therapy can be helpful in making sense of the experience that people go through when facing death." --Harry Korman, MD Solution focused practice challenges the conventional approach to bereavement counseling by emphasizing solution building over simple problem-solving. Joel Simon, with over 16 years of experience in the field, demonstrates how this therapy can help clients think of possibilities, rather than limitations, when facing death or the loss of a loved one. This book presents a general overview of solution focused practice, tools, and methodologies for practitioners. Simon also provides real-life vignettes and verbatim transcripts from actual patients in end-of-life or bereavement counseling. This book provides insight into the philosophy and practice of solution focused therapy, as applied to clients with life-limiting conditions and their loved ones. Key topics discussed: The use of language in solution focused practice: theory, meaning making, and the role of emotions Tools of solution-building, with questions, troubleshooting guidelines, and tips for evaluating outcomes The distinction between problem-solving and solution-building Co-constructing goals with clients Applying solution focused principles to hospice, grief, and bereavement practice This resource serves as an invaluable tool for social workers, hospice workers, psychologists, and other bereavement and grief-counseling professionals.

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of mourning.

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Knowledge, skills, and intervention strategies for the treatment of individuals, couples, and families who have experienced a loss through death of their loved one.

A prominent theme presented in this volume is that symptoms in the bereaved individual have meaning-making significance and that meaning reconstruction in response to loss is the central process in grieving. More scientifically oriented readers will find comprehensive discussions of research programs supporting these tenets, particularly those linking grief with responses to loss involved in trauma. Practitioners will find clinically informed models and ample case descriptions to bridge concepts with real people suffering real loss. All will find new paradigms for approaching loss and reconstruction of meaning in a respectful, revealing way that has significance both personally and professionally.

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Looks at current research and offers counseling strategies to help children and teenagers deal with grief and loss.

Grief is a family affair. When a loved one dies, the distress reverberates throughout the immediate and extended family. Family therapy has long attended to issues of loss and grief, yet not as the dominant therapeutic paradigm. Bereavement Care for Families changes that: it is a practical resource for the clinician, one that draws upon the evidence supporting family approaches to bereavement care and also provides clinically oriented, strategic guidance on how to incorporate family approaches into other models. Subsequent chapters set forth a detailed, research-based therapeutic model that clinicians can use to facilitate therapy, engage the ambivalent, deal with uncertainty, manage family conflict, develop realistic goals, and more. Any clinician sensitive to the roles family members play in bereavement care need look no further than this groundbreaking text.

The use of the arts in psychotherapy is a burgeoning area of interest, particularly in the field of bereavement, where it is a staple intervention in hospice programs, children's grief camps, specialized programs for trauma or combat exposure, work with bereaved parents, widowed elders or suicide survivors, and in many other contexts. But how should clinicians differentiate between the many different approaches and techniques, and what criteria should they use to decide which technique to use—and when? Grief and the Expressive Arts provides the answers using a crisp, coherent structure that creates a conceptual and relational scaffold for an artistically inclined grief therapy. Each of the book's brief chapters is accessible and clearly focused, conveying concrete methods and anchoring them in brief case studies, across a range of approaches featuring music, creative writing, visual arts, dance and movement, theatre and performance and multi-modal practices. Any clinician—expressive arts therapist, grief counselor, or something in between—looking for a professionally oriented but scientifically informed book for guidance and inspiration need look no further than Grief and the Expressive Arts.

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