

# Grief Groups and Grief Counsellors: Nova Scotia

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IWK updates this list annually.

Please contact IWK Bereavement Coordinator for an updated listing: 902-470-8942

This information is provided by the IWK's Pediatric Advanced Care Team as a resource for members of the community to assess applicability for their families. It is a compilation of selected resources and should not be considered a comprehensive listing.

This list was compiled using information from reputable websites and other resources. Other grief support groups and counsellors may be available in addition to what is listed here. Please continue to explore other options in your community.

<u>This resource list does not constitute an endorsement or</u> recommendation for any organizations or businesses listed.

### **Grief Support Groups**

LOCATION	GROUP NAME	CONTACT INFORMATION
Amherst	Grieving Hearts 10 Week Closed Group Runs in Fall & Winter Mixed loss	Sheryl York (902) 667-9126 amherstwc@eastlink.ca <u>www.amherstwesleyan.com</u>
Amherst	The Listening Room: Bereavement Support Program 8 Week Closed Group Runs in Spring & Fall Mixed loss	Campbell's Funeral Home (902) 667-9906 Call for more information <u>www.arbormemorial.ca/en/campbel</u> <u>ls</u>
Amherst (Cumberland County)	Healing and Hope Grief Support Group (Inactive as of May 17, 2023 – but call for update)	Cumberland County Palliative Care Program Sharon Skinner (902) 667-5400 ext. 6344
Antigonish	Antigonish Community Grief Support Group 8 Week Closed Group Runs 2x/year Adults	Gladys MacDougall (902) 863-1375 (902) 870-4885 macdougallgladys@gmail.com
Berwick (& Bridgetown, Kentville)	Friends in Bereavement 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month Mixed loss	Jennifer Longley (902) 681-8239 <u>friendsinbereavement@gmail.com</u> Grief Recovery Model certified
Bridgetown (& Berwick, Kentville)	Friends in Bereavement 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of the month Mixed loss	Jennifer Longley (902) 681-8239 <u>friendsinbereavement@gmail.com</u> Grief Recovery Model certified

Bridgewater (& Halifax & Dartmouth)	NSH Palliative Care Grief Support Groups Multiple locations For families/friends of NSH Palliative Care program patients	Jocelyne Tranquilla (902) 473-1622
Canada-wide (Virtual)	The Compassionate Friends: Virtual Support for Bereaved Parents & Caregivers (Based in Ottawa, ON) <i>Monthly</i> <i>Sharing circle format</i>	<u>www.tcfottawa.net</u> <u>www.tcfcanada.net/2022/virtual-</u> <u>support</u> tcfottawa@gmail.com
Canada-wide (Virtual)	Healing Hearts: Canada Siblings Virtual Support Group Death due to substance use related harms 18+ Peer-led groups	healingheartssiblings@gmail.com www.healingheartscanada.org

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Canada-wide (Virtual)	Pregnancy & Infant Loss Support Centre (Based in Calgary, AB) <i>Initial Grief</i>	1-825-205-7918 info@pilsc.org www.pilsc.org
	TFMR Support Groups	
	Trying to Conceive	
	Pregnant After Loss	
	Parenting Living Children Through Loss	
	Partners in Loss	
	SIDS/SUDC Loss	
	Inclusive Groups	
	Specialized Groups	
	Social Connection Groups	
Canada-wide (Virtual)	Return to Zero: H.O.P.E. (Based in California, U.S.)	www.rtzhope.org
	Pregnancy & Infant Loss	
	Recurrent Loss & Infertility	
	Ending a Wanted Pregnancy (Birthing Parents &/OR Couples)	
	People of Colour Pregnancy & Infant Loss	
	LGBTQ+ Affirming Space for Pregnancy & Infant Loss	
	Early Pregnancy Loss	
	Pregnancy After Loss	
	Parenting After Loss	
	At cost & free options available Offered based on PST and EST time zones Options for birthing parents, non-birthing parents, &/or couples	

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Cape Breton	Bereaved Families of Cape Breton	
(Sydney, Sydney Mines, Island-wide and provincewide	6 Week Programs, offered seasonally (Dual Mode: In- Person & Virtual)	(902) 564-6795 infobfcb@gmail.com <u>www.bfocb.ca</u>
via virtual)	Loss of a Spouse/Partner	Find us on <u>Facebook</u> too.
	Group Loss of a Parent Group	
	Loss of a Child Group	
	Loss of a Pet Group	
	General Grief	
	Living With Grief	
	Ongoing	
	Support & Share Groups (Dual Mode)	
	Healing through Movement and Music for	
	Women Meditation	
	Adolescent Grief Program (partnership with Schools Plus)	(902) 574-0001 <u>llatham@gnspes.ca</u>
Cape Breton - New Waterford	Mothers of Angels	Shirley Kelley (902) 862-8460
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Cape Breton- Port Hawkesbury	Grief Support Group Strait Area Women's Place	Tammy Bennett (902) 625-1614 <u>straitareawomensplace@gmail.com</u>
	6-8 Week Closed Group Runs on demand Mixed loss	www.leesidesociety.ca
	Additional 1-on-1 support available	

Cape Breton - Sydney (Westville & Halifax)	Survivors of Suicide Loss Suicide loss only	Fran Morrison (902) 565-7976 <u>soscapebreton@gmail.com</u> <u>www.soscapebreton.ca</u>
Colchester County (Truro)	Grief Groups Colchester East Hants Hospice Society 8 Week Closed Group 6 Week Social Group 1-on-1 Grief Support Children, teens, young adults, & their families	(902) 893-3265
Cumberland County (Amherst)	Healing and Hope Grief Support Group (Inactive as of May 17, 2023 – but call for update)	Cumberland County Palliative Care Program Sharon Skinner (902) 667-5400 ext. 6344
Dartmouth	St. Clement Bereavement Group 8 Week Closed Group Runs in Spring & Fall No need to be parish-affiliated	Susan Duggan (902) 446-9599
Dartmouth	Water Bugs and Dragon Flies Bereaved Parent Support Group All types of pregnancy, infant, child, and adult child loss welcome	Vince MacDonald (902) 462-4050 vincemacdonald210@gmail.com Louise Smith (902) 404-1555 <u>louisesmith_27@hotmail.ca</u>
Dartmouth, Halifax, & Bridgewater	Palliative Care Grief Support Groups <i>Multiple Locations</i> <i>Families &amp; friends</i> <i>of NSH palliative care</i> <i>program patients</i>	Jocelyne Tranquilla (902) 473-1622

Fall River	Mothers Of Angels Support Group Does not run in July/August Specific to mothers	Nancy Weatherhead (902) 632-2539 nancyweatherhead@hotmail.ca
Halifax (St. Margaret's Bay)	Estabrooks Community Centre Grief Group for Children and Adults Concurrent groups: one for 16+ and one for 5– 15-year-olds Does not run in July/August	Lorna Zinck-Gordon (902) 989-3217 estabrookscommunityhall@gmail.com www.estabrookscommunityhall.ca
Halifax (Clayton Park)	Saint Benedict Grief Group Catholic faith is shared, all welcome Monthly, Sept-June	Judy Rae (902) 443-0725 griefsupport@saintbenedict.ca
Halifax (& Province-wide)	Hospice Halifax Grief & Bereavement Programs Bereavement Education Groups In-Person Bereavement Support Groups 6-Week Closed Counselling Group On-the-Go Grief Group One-one-One Grief Counselling  Children & Youth Grief Support Music	Louise Jones (902) 446-0929 Ljones@hospicehalifax.ca/pro grams  Kristi Anderson (902) 446-0929 k.anderson@hospicehalifax.ca

Halifax, Dartmouth, & Bridgewater	Palliative Care Grief Support Groups Multiple Locations Families & friends of NSH palliative care program patients	Jocelyne Tranquilla (902) 473-1622
Halifax (Sydney & Westville)	Survivors of Suicide Suicide loss only	George Tomie (902) 445-0860 <u>george.tomie@gmail.com</u> Margaret Tousignant (902) 826-2658 www.sosnovascotia.com
Halifax	Widowed in Self-Help (WISH) Bi-weekly, Virtual via Zoom Spousal loss All genders & orientations Contact for status update	(902) 700-7803 ext. 3370 1-844-333-3692 ext. 3370 Widowedinselfhelp.halifax@gmail.com
Hatchet Lake	Grief Share Support Group Runs on demand, call if interested Adults & late teens	Cheryl Rafuse (902) 225-8305 griefsharegroup@gmail.com
Kentville (& Berwick, Bridgetown)	Friends in Bereavement 1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of the month Mixed loss	Jennifer Longley (902) 681-8239 friendsinbereavement@gmail.com Grief Recovery Model certified
Kentville (& Kingston if needed)	Grief Share Support Group New Hope Wesleyan Church Christian-based, all welcome 13 Week Closed Group, Spring & Fall	Bernadine Gerrits (902) 670-9288

Lunenburg	Second Story Women's Centre Grief Support Group 6 Week Group Women & gender-oppressed people	Christine (902) 397-1625 <u>christine@secondstory.ca</u> <u>www.secondstory.ca</u>
Musquodoboit Harbour Musquodoboit Valley Sheet Harbour & surrounding area	Healing and Hope	Jan Rowlings (902) 229-0391 janrowlings@gmail.com
Province-wide	Mom's of Children Past Peer-to-Peer and Group Support Unable to confirm status, contact for update	Sherry Bigelow (902) 365-5210 Sh3rry_15@hotmail.com
Province-wide (Virtual)	Atlantic Fertility Support Group For those faced with fertility challenges including those who are trying to conceive after a loss Monthly Via Zoom	Stacie Loverin FMC-HRM@fertilitymatters.ca https://fertilitymatters.ca/find-asupport-group/
Sackville	Silver and Gold Grief Support Group Sackville Seniors Advisory Council Weekly Spousal Loss (some exceptions apply)	Tom LeBlanc (902) 404-6882
Sackville	St. John Vianney Church Grief Support Group Non-denominational Monthly Mixed loss (no suicide)	Judy Fraser (902) 864-2778

Sheet Harbour (& Musquodoboit Harbour, Musquodoboit Valley)	Healing and Hope	Jan Rowlings (902) 229-0391 janrowlings@gmail.com
Truro (Colchester County)	Grief Groups Colchester East Hants Hospice Society 8 Week Closed Group 6 Week Social Group 1-on-1 Grief Support Children, teens, young adults, & their families	(902) 893-3265 https://cehhospice.org/grief-support/
Yarmouth	Community Support Grief Group (Yarmouth Wesleyan Church) 6 Week Closed Group (Ongoing) Mixed loss 1-on-1 Volunteer Peer Support also available	Bertha Brannen (902) 740-2146 Call or Text
Yarmouth	Surviving Christmas Unable to confirm status, contact for update	Brenda Martin (902) 266-9821
Westville (Halifax & Sydney)	Survivors of Suicide Suicide loss only	Lori Miller (902) 396-3000
Wolfville	Valley Circle of Friends Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support Group <i>Monthly</i> For Parents & Their Support Persons	Lesley Hopkins (902) 681-5846 (902) 690-5361 valleycircleoffriends@gmail.com

#### **Grief Counsellors**

These practitioners' services are not necessarily covered by MSI. Check with your employee assistance plan or insurance company to see if a practitioner's services are covered. If you do not have private insurance, please note that some counsellors are willing to negotiate an affordable cost for counseling in specific situations.

LOCATION	NAME	AGES SERVED	CONTACT INFORMATION
Amherst	April Munro-Wood Registered Social Worker	Adult Teen	(902) 200-6645 <u>www.aprilmunro-wood.com</u>
Amherst	Gaelene E Parsons Registered Social Worker	Adult	(902) 708-0244
Annapolis Royal	Amy Rubin Registered Counselling Therapist Sliding scale options available 2SLGTBQIA+ affirming	Adult	(902) 907-3006 <u>info@amyrubin.ca</u>
Annapolis Valley (Gaspereau)	Heather Gray Registered Counselling Therapist Grief & trauma counselling specialty Art-based therapies	Adult Teen Child	(902) 580-2425 <u>info@heathergraycounselling.ca</u> <u>www.heathergraycounselling.ca</u>
Antigonish	Family Service of Eastern Nova Scotia Multiple practitioners Free & low-cost options available Short-term	Adult Teen Child (6+)	1-866-330-5952 www.ensfamilyservice.ca
Bedford	Aimee Poole Marriage & Family Therapist Additional training in grief recovery & complicated grief	Adult	(902) 906-2829 <u>splashcounselling@gmail.com</u>

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Bedford	Cynthia Manley Registered Counselling Therapist Certified Play Therapist Sliding scale options available	Child	(902) 759-5761 <u>cmanley@shiftingtidesplaytherapy.com</u> <u>www.shiftingtidesplaytherapy.com</u>
Bedford	Ken Osbourne Registered Social Worker Grief & trauma specialty	Adult Teen Child	(902) 222-6020 ken@kenosbournetherapy.com www.kenosbournetherapy.com
Bedford	Anxiety & Trauma Clinic Multiple Practitioners Hannah Bennett Registered Counselling Therapist	Adult Teen Child (12+)	(902) 412-1557 <u>admin@atclinic.ca</u> <u>www.halifaxanxietytrauma.ca</u>
	Krystle Annand Registered Counselling Therapist Nikolina Rikert Registered Clinical Therapist	Adult Teen (16+) Adult Teen	
Bedford (& Dartmouth)	ML Family Counselling Various practitioners Works with families & couples too Sliding scale available	Child (12+) Adult Teen Child	(519) 949-1458 www.mlfamilycounselling.com intake@MLfamilycounselling.com
Bridgewater	Annette Mira McLellan Registered Counselling Therapist	Adult	(902) 518-0088 <u>therapy@interflections.ca</u> <u>www.interflections.ca</u>
Bridgewater	Patricia Wentzell Registered Counselling Therapist	Adult Teen Child	(902) 527-8939 pwentzellcounselling@gmail.com www.patriciawentzellcounselling.ca

Cape Breton (Sydney)	Kelly O'Brien Registered Counselling Therapist	Adult	(902) 371-3018 <u>kobriencounselling@gmail.com</u> <u>www.obriencounselling.com</u>
Cape Breton (Sydney, Port Hawkesbury, Glace Bay, & Inverness)	Family Service of Eastern Nova Scotia: Multiple practitioners Free & low-cost options available Short-term	Adult Teen Child (6+)	1-866-330-5952 www.ensfamilyservice.ca
Coldbrook	Yvonne Tieu Registered Psychologist	Adult	(902) 300-1890
Dartmouth	Carleen Hall Psychological Services: Multiple practitioners	Adult Teen Child	(902) 406-7413 carleenhall@eastInk.ca
Dartmouth	Couch of H.O.P.E: Multiple practitioners Free mental health counselling	Adult Teen Child (10+)	(902) 707-4414 <u>intake@couchofhope.com</u> <u>www.couchofhope.com</u>
Dartmouth	Dartmouth Psychological Services: Multiple Practitioners	Adults Teens	902-461-8133 admin@dartmouthpsychological.ca www.dartmouthpyschological.ca
Dartmouth	Jacqueline Milner Clinical Psychologist Trauma Informed Yoga Teacher	Adult Teen Child	(902) 499-0089 jacqueline@jmcpsychology.com <u>www.breathermindfulness.ca</u>

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Dartmouth	Dr. Kiran Pure Registered Clinical Psychologist Services available in English & Punjabi	Child Teen	(902)444-3669 drpure@drpureandassociates.com www.drpureandassociates.com
Dartmouth	Kyla Friel Registered Counselling Therapist Grief & bereavement specialty	Adult	(902) 403-1767 www.kylafrielcounselling.com
Dartmouth (& Bedford)	ML Family Counselling Multiple practitioners Works with families & couples too Sliding scale available	Adult Child Teen	(519) 949-1458 www.mlfamilycounselling.com intake@MLfamilycounselling.com
Dartmouth	Sweetgrass & Sage Counselling & Assessment Services: Multiple Practitioners	Adult	(902) 830-2254 <u>Sweetgrasssage@eastlink.ca</u> <u>www.sweetgrasssagecounselling.ca</u>
Halifax	Acuity Counselling and Therapy: Multiple practitioners	Adult Child Teen	(902) 406-3400 noha@acuitytherapy.ca www.acuitytherapy.ca
Halifax	Albert Lee Marriage & Family Therapist Experience in grief work Services available in English, Mandarin, Cantonese. Hokkien & Taiwanese Sliding scale options available	Adult	lifebuilderinstitution@gmail.com www.lifebuilderinstitution.com
Halifax	Alex Ozon Counselling Psychologist Focus on grief & acceptance & commitment therapy 2SLGBTQIA+ affirming Sliding scale options available	Adult Teen	(902) 702-2797 alexozontherapy@gmail.com

Halifax	Amy Mackenzie	Adult	(902) 473-9391
	Registered Counselling Therapist Art Therapist	Teen Child	Amymackenziecounselling@gmail.com www.amymackenziecounselling.com
	Some lower-cost options available		
Halifax (Truro & Wolfville)	Andrew Blackbird Counselling Diploma	Adult Teen	(902) 800-1809 recovery@blackandgrayaddictionsuppo rt.com
	Specializes in grief & addiction		
Halifax	Barry Nahirnak Registered Counselling Therapist	Adult Teen Child	(902) 229-9598 barry@halifaxcounsellingtherapist.ca www.halifaxcounsellingtherapist.com
Halifax	Creating Your Balance Counselling Therapy Neal Henderson, CCC	Adult Teen	(902) 420-6934 admin@creatingyourbalancecounsellin gtherapy.com
	Registered Counseling Therapist – Candidate	Child	www.creatingyourbalancecounsellingt <u>herapy.com</u>
	Limited low-cost sessions available 11-week family skills workshop also available		
Halifax	Cornerstone Psychological Services	Adult	(902) 407-4455
(Tantallon)	Brad Peters Registered Psychologist	Teen Child	info@cornerstoneclinic.ca www.cornerstoneclinic.ca
Halifax	Crossroads Counselling & Psychological Services Inc.	Adult Teen (15+)	(902) 702-3656 Info@crossroadscpc.ca www.crossroadscpc.ca
	Amy Wiens, MA Registered Psychologist		
	Limited availability of sliding scale & low-cost options		

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Halifax	Erin Montgomery Registered Counseling Therapist Accredited Music Therapist Clinical Traumatologist Sliding scale options available	Adult	(902) 448-2138 info@erinmontgomery.com
Halifax	Fenwick Psychology and Wellness Associates Sliding scale may be available after services have commenced Adult services in English, Arabic, & Farsi	Adult Teen Child	Phone: 902-421-7514 Fax: 902-421-1292 hello@fenwickwellness.ca www.fenwickwellness.ca
Halifax	Heather Colquhoun Registered Counselling Therapist Grief, infertility, & intimate partner violence specialty	Adult	(782) 222-9027 <u>heather@cctherapyns.com</u>
Halifax (Provincewide virtual options)	Hospice Halifax Multiple Practitioners 1-on-1 Grief Counselling Music Therapy Grief Support for Children/Youth	Adult Teen Child	(902) 446-0929 www.hospicehalifax.ca
Halifax	Dr. Hubley Carruthers & Associates	Adult Teen	(902) 407-1234 admin@hubleycarruthers.com www.hubleycarruthers.com
Halifax	Jessica Wine, MSW Registered Social Worker Phone & Video Sessions Only Sliding scale available Specializes in pregnancy & infant loss	Adult	(902) 880-2262 halifaxtherapist@gmail.com www.halifaxtherapist.com
Halifax	Megan Boyle Art Therapist	Adult Teen Child	902-210-8905 <u>info@halifaxarttherapy.com</u> www.halifaxarttherapy.com

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Halifax	Meagan Chaffey Registered Counselling Therapist Support for Indigenous & Black clients Addt'l training in infant/pregnancy loss 2SLGBTQIA+ affirming	Adult	(782) 222-7013 www.meaganchaffey.com
Halifax	Dr. Nina Woulff Psychologist & Associates All therapists have 15+ years' experience	Adult Teen (15+)	(902) 492-1271 Ext. 1 nw@drnina.ca www.drnina.ca
Halifax	The People's Counselling Clinic Multiple Practitioners Trauma, abuse, & violence specialty Pro-bono mental health clinic	Adult	(902) 832-1593 <u>thepeoplescounsellingclinic@gmail.com</u> <u>www.thepeoplescounsellingclinic.ca</u>
Halifax	S. Gerald Hann Registered Psychologist	Adult Teen Child	(902) 453-8336 info@hannpsychologicalservices.com www.hannpsychologicalservices.com
Halifax	Spirit Psychological Sukanya Mukherjee, RCT, CCC, CCTP, CGCS Clinical Psychologist Services available in English, Hindi, Bengali & Spanish Certified in grief & trauma counselling 2SLGBTQIA+ affirming	Adult Teen (15+)	(613) 612-2308 <u>sukanya@spiritpyschological.ca</u> <u>www.spiritpsychological.ca</u>
Halifax	Tara Field Registered Counselling Therapist 2SLGBTQIA+ affirming Grief & palliative care specialty	Adult	(902) 445-4100 goodgriefhalifax@gmail.com

Kentville	Kim O'Connor Registered Psychologist	Adult Teen Child	(902) 679-7295 info@riverdalecentre.ca www.riverdalecentre.ca
Kentville	Robert Stathakis Registered Counseling Therapist	Adult	(902) 692-9696 robert@resolvect.ca <u>www.resolvect.ca</u>
Mahone Bay	Hilary Anne Scott, CGRF, CFF, PSC Advanced Grief Recovery Specialist; Certified Peer Support Specialist 2SLGBTQIA+ affirming	Adult (17+)	(902) 529-0021 hscott@healingtheloss.com www.healingtheloss.com <u>Free 30 min consultation</u>
Milton	Toni Campagnoni & Associates: Multiple Practitioners	Adult Teen Child	(902) 354-4660 familypsychology@eastlink.ca www.tcpsychologicalservices.ca
New Glasgow	Family Service of Eastern Nova Scotia Multiple practitioners Free & low-cost options available Short-term	Adult Teen Child (6+)	1-866-330-5952 <u>www.ensfamilyservice.ca</u>
Province-Wide (Virtual)	Breelove Counselling Mulitple practitioners Sliding scale and low-cost/free options available Open to NB, PEI, NFLD, and ON too	Adult Teen (16+)	www.breelove.ca
Province-wide (Virtual)	Strength Counselling Services: Multiple practitioners Sliding scale & low-cost options available	Adult	1-866-295-0551 info@strengthcounselling.ca www.strengthcounselling.ca

Stellarton	Barbara MacLean Psychological Services: Multiple practitioners	Adult Teen Child	www.macleanpsychology.com
Truro	C & D Therapy: Multiple Practitioners 2SLGBTQIA+ affirming	Adult Teen	(902) 814-6052 (902) 536-1881 <u>Cynthia.voegeli@gmail.com</u> <u>Frederick.voegeli@gmail.com</u> <u>Www.cdtherapy.ca</u>
Truro	ME Family Therapy & Resource Centre: Multiple Practitioners	Adult Teen Child	(902) 897-2880 www.mefamilytherapy.ca
Tusket	Daniel Clairmont Registered Social Worker Services in English & French 2SLGBTQIA+ affirming	Adult	(902) 774-1701 <u>https://daniel-clairmont-</u> <u>counsellingservices.business.site/</u> <u>www.acadiantherapist.com</u>
Tusket	Kelly Breau Registered Social Worker	Adult	(902) 904-5638 <u>Kellybreaucounselling@gmail.com</u>
Weymouth	Dawn Comeau Registered Psychologist	Adult	(902) 837-7833 <u>dawn@savvycounsellingsolutions.com</u>
Wolfville	Cate Archibald Registered Psychologist	Adult Teen	(902) 680-2877

LOCATION	NAME	CONTACT INFORMATION
Canada-wide	Canadian Alliance for Children's Grief	www.grievingchildrencanada.org
Canada-wide	Canadian Counseling and Psychotherapy Association	(877) 765-5565 www.ccpa-accp.ca
Canada-wide	Canadian Register of Health Service Providers in Psychology	www.crhspp.ca
Canada-wide	Canadian Virtual Hospice	www.virtualhospice.ca
Canada-wide	Children's Grief Foundation	www.childrensgrieffoundation.ca
Canada-wide	Psychology Today: Find a Therapist	www.psychologytoday.com/ca/therapists
Canada-wide	Professional Association of Christian Counselors and Psychotherapists	www.paccp.ca
Canada-wide	Theravive	www.theravive.com
Halifax Shearwater Sydney	Military Family Resource Centre	Halifax: (902) 427-7788 Shearwater: (902) 720-1885 Sydney: (902) 563-7100 www.halifaxmfrc.ca
Province- wide	First Nations Health Authority	https://mha.nshealth.ca/en/topics/group- identity/first-nations-indigenous#info

### **Grief Care Referral Associations**

Province- wide	Native Council of Nova Scotia	Toll Free: 1-800-565-4372 1-877-565-1752 www.ncns.ca
Province-	Nova Scotia College of Counselling	(902 225-7531
wide	Therapists	<u>www.nscct.ca</u>
Province-	Nova Scotia College of Social	(902) 429-7799
wide	Workers	www.nscsw.org

#### Other ways to find support with grief include:

- > Joining a community group that provides grief support.
- Contacting your local hospital's palliative care service, bereavement service, spiritual health or social work department for information and resources.
- Contacting a hospice society or family resource centre in your area for information and resources.
- > Contacting your Employee Assistance Program (EAP).
- > Contacting your faith community.
- Indigenous families may contact resources connected with your Friendship Centre, Band Council, or Tribal Council
- Finding a grief counsellor for yourself or your child/youth through one of the following methods:
  - □ Asking your family doctor to refer you to a counsellor
  - □ Contacting your provincial Child and Family Services for counseling options
  - □ Contacting your child/youth's school psychologist, social worker, or guidance counsellor
  - □ Contacting the IWK Central Referral Line 1.855.922.1122
  - □ Contacting your provincial Social Work Association, Psychologists' Association, or Counselling Therapists' Association
  - □ Contacting the adult public mental health system at your nearest hospital
  - □ Contacting the IWK Bereavement Coordinator 902.470.8942