



The National Centre for Childhood Grief (NCCG) is an Australian not-for-profit organisation dedicated to caring for bereaved children and their families following the death of a parent, sibling or other close loved one.

One in 20 Australian children will experience the death of their parent before the age of 18 and many more another loved one. Close family bereavement is amongst the most traumatic experiences for children, with profound and life-long mental and social impacts.

The NCCG provides a place of safety, nurturing and understanding. Our professional individual and group counselling programs help bereaved children and their families learn to live with their grief, build their coping skills and resilience and empower them to live their best life.

The NCCG was founded in 1994 by Dianne McKissock OAM and Mal McKissock OAM, internationally recognised experts in the field of child bereavement and grief counselling. The NCCG is led by Dr. Elizabeth Mann with a team of professional counsellors.

Our services



Counselling

Professional, client-centred service provided by experienced NCCG-trained counsellors.

- Individual counselling for bereaved children aged 3-17 years
- Individual counselling for newly bereaved adults (ie in past 2-3 years)
- Group programs for children and parents

Counselling available in person, online or by phone. Sessions up to 2 hours duration.

Fees

Children - free and unlimited service funded by community donations. Initial fee payable for parent/guardian assessment session.

Adults - Fee per session, part subsidised by community donations.



Adventure Camps

Special opportunities for bereaved children and families to meet and share with others with similar experiences, explore their grief, learn new skills and simply have fun.

- Weekend activity programs for girls, boys and families
- Supplement to our counselling programs

Fees

Free service for nominated participants, funded by community donations.



Professional Education

For more than 30 years the NCCG has developed an internationally recognised therapeutic model for child and family grief and bereavement counselling.

PACFA-endorsed training courses are provided for professionals and new students to develop specialist skills for working with bereaved adults and children, including a core course in bereavement counselling and supplementary courses focused on working with children, adults, schools and grief around suicide.

Course, calendar and fee information – visit childhoodgrief.org.au/education or phone 1300 654 556



Community Support & Outreach

The NCCG provides support to the communities and organisations looking after bereaved children and families, as part of our model of holistic care. School counsellors, employers, work colleagues, community organisations and health professionals can access information and support including:

- outreach visits to workplaces, healthcare organisations and schools for tailored consultation and education sessions
- an outreach email support service for dying and bereaved people provided by our co-founder, Dianne McKissock OAM at drmcissock@icloud.com

Service options and fee information – visit childhoodgrief.org.au/how-we-help/services/ or phone 1300 654 556



Publications

The NCCG provides a range of resources for bereaved children and adults and other caregivers supporting bereaved families.

Publication and ordering information – visit childhoodgrief.org.au/how-we-help/resources/ or phone 1300 654 556



Our Location

We are a national service that operates in person, online and through outreach services from our dedicated bereavement care centre in Sydney.

When visiting the centre - free on-site or street parking is available, plus public transport options.

Fees & Donations

The NCCG is a registered charity principally funded by community donations. Our services receive minimal government funding.

This community support enables us to provide free and unlimited counselling services for bereaved children and subsidised services for bereaved adults. Fees are payable for adult services, professional education and referrals from NDIS programs, agencies and other health services.

Please support the NCCG and bereaved children:

- **Donate:** Visit childhoodgrief.org.au or phone 1300 654 556
- **Fundraise:** Organise your own fundraiser with support from our team
- **Sponsor your favourite service**
- **Business support:** Partner your company or small business with us
- **Volunteer:** Events, working bees and office roles
- **Donate goods:** Craft materials, toys, furniture and more needed

For more information and to discuss your interests, please contact Chris Waugh on 0401 900 371 or chris@childhoodgrief.org.au



No medical referral required. Access to our services is through self-referral by contacting the centre

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AND THEIR FAMILIES

