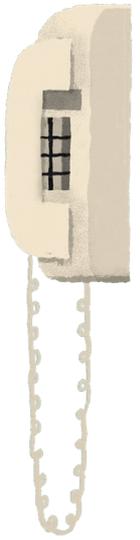




Irish Hospice Foundation
**Bereavement
Support Line**
1800 80 70 77

www.hospicefoundation.ie



Many people have experienced the death of someone they love during the COVID-19 pandemic. It may have been a COVID-related death or a death from other causes. In the face of such loss, our Irish Hospice Foundation Bereavement Support Line, in partnership with the HSE, is there to provide connection, comfort and support for anyone grieving in these exceptional times.

It is a national freephone service 1800 80 70 77, available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday.

- We provide a confidential space for people to speak about their experience or to ask questions relating to the death of someone during the COVID-19 pandemic or a previous bereavement that is feeling more difficult during this time.
- We listen to what a person says about what has happened.
- We hope to provide comfort and emotional support.
- We provide any information that might help the caller, including additional information on other practical supports.
- We provide support for employers or professionals who want to inform colleagues of the care their organisation can offer to bereaved colleagues.

Who can call?

Any adult impacted by bereavement during the COVID-19 pandemic and who wants to talk.

- You have been recently bereaved, through COVID-19 or a different cause of death.
- You are concerned about somebody who is grieving.
- You are finding a bereavement from pre-COVID more difficult at this time.
- Healthcare professionals (and others) who have been dealing with more death and dying in their places of work.
- A professional who wants to inform the organisation of the care you offer to bereaved colleagues.

Care & Inform

Our Support for Grieving in Exceptional Times also includes all the resources developed as part of our Care & Inform hub which was specially created to respond to the needs of those facing dying, death and bereavement during COVID-19 restrictions. Visit www.hospicefoundation.ie