# INNOVATIVE TECHNIQUES IN MANAGING GRIEF GROUPS

## **DESCRIPTION:**

This webinar will examine the newest thinking about providing grief support in a group setting, including a discussion of group structure (closed or open-ended) and group make-up (loss-specific, gender-specific). The webinar will also look at how to deal with difficult dynamics that may arise between group members.

### **PROGRAM DETAILS:**

This presentation features experienced professionals offering their own expertise on the topic. On the screen, you will see the slide presentation and will be able to hear the experts talking and presenting. If you login for the live version of the program, you'll also have the opportunity to email the experts questions that they will discuss and answer during the program's Q & A session.

**LIVE DATE:** May 9, 2017

TIME: noon to 1:30pm ET

ON DEMAND: to registered organizations and individuals through May 8, 2018

**LENGTH:** 90 minutes

**CEs:** 1.5 hours for a wide variety of professional boards

**CE FEE:** \$7.00 per participant

TARGET AUDIENCE: Health care clinicians, social service clinicians and others working in the hospice,

palliative care, counseling, hospital, nursing home, funeral home or faith

community environments

This program will be live on the air date, recorded and made available on demand for one year. This program is accessible online only. The recorded program will be available approximately a day after the live event.

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### **LEARNING OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of this webinar, participants will be able to:

- 1. List six values of grief groups for children and adolescents;
- 2. Describe five factors that should be considered in beginning a support group;
- 3. List and discuss four critical factors that will influence interpersonal dynamics within the group;
- 4. Discuss disruptive behaviors that may manifest in the group and strategies to limit such behaviors.

### **PROGRAM OUTLINE:**

- I. Introduction: The Value of Grief Groups
- II. Beginning Grief Groups
  - A. Need Assessment
  - B. Planning Considerations
    - 1. Type, Structure, and Size
    - 2. Intake
    - 3. Defining Expectations
    - 4. Setting Ground Rules
    - 5. Leadership Approach
- III. Interpersonal Dynamics
  - A. Inclusion
  - B. Control
  - C. Affection
- IV. Managing the Group: Coping with Destructive Behaviors
- V. Conclusion: Growth-Oriented Groups

## **CONTINUING EDUCATION (CE) CREDITS:**

This program is valid for 1.5 hours of CE credit. The CE cost is \$7 per certificate. CE credits are available until May 8, 2018.

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### **EXPERT PANELISTS:**

Kenneth J. Doka, PhD, MDiv, is a professor of gerontology at the Graduate School of The College of New Rochelle and Senior Consultant to the Hospice Foundation of America. A prolific author and editor, Dr. Doka serves as editor of HFA's Living with Grief® book series, its Journeys newsletter, and numerous other books and publications. In addition, Dr. Doka has served as a panelist on HFA's Living with Grief® teleconference programs for 16 years. Dr. Doka was elected president of the Association for Death Education and Counseling in 1993. In 1995, he was elected to the board of directors of the International Work Group on Death, Dying and Bereavement and served as chairperson from 1997-1999. The Association for Death Education and Counseling presented him with an Award for Outstanding Contributions in the Field of Death Education in 1998. In 2006, Dr. Doka was grandfathered in as a Mental Health Counselor under New York's first state licensure of counselors. He has been the keynote speaker at conferences throughout North America as well as Europe, Asia, Australia, and New Zealand, and is a frequent guest on television and radio news programs. Dr. Doka is an ordained Lutheran minister.

**J. William Worden, PhD, ABPP**, is a Fellow of the American Psychological Association and holds academic appointments at the Harvard Medical School and at the Rosemead Graduate School of Psychology in California. He is also Co-Principal Investigator of the Harvard Child Bereavement Study, based at the Massachusetts General Hospital. Recipient of five major National Institutes of Health grants, his research and clinical work over 40 years has centered on issues of life-threatening illness and life-threatening behavior. His professional interests led him to become a founding member of the Association of Death Education and Counseling and the International Work Group on Death, Dying, and Bereavement. Worden is the author of Personal Death Awareness and Children & Grief: When a Parent Dies, and is coauthor of Helping Cancer Patients Cope. His book Grief Counseling & Grief Therapy: A Handbook for the Mental Health Practitioner, now in its fourth edition, has been translated into 14 foreign languages and is widely used around the world as the standard reference on the subject.

## **REVIEWER:**

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