# Outline

### Interventions that can Shape Grief

### **Anticipatory Grief**

Treatment strategies

Tools for normalizing anticipatory grief for the client

### **Children in Grief**

Tools for preparing for the loss Intervention for coping enhancement for funerals

The forgotten grievers Learn the truth about children going to funerals and open caskets

### **Complicated Grief**

Simplifying the model Murder, multiple losses, sudden death, suicide, Alzheimer's

### **Explanations of Types of Grief**

Delayed

Disenfranchised

**Ambiguous** Inconclusive

Complicated

Average response

Resilience

### **Forgiveness**

Learn alternatives to forgiveness Understand when it works and why it doesn't Learn techniques your client can use to actually find forgiveness

### The Grief of Suicide

Understand how grief of suicide is different Learn techniques for releasing feelings of responsibility

Tools for healing grief after a suicide

### The Body and Grief

Help understand how we hold grief in our body

Learn techniques your client can use to get in touch with residual grief in the body

Understand the ways the body remembers

How we often re-traumatize ourselves in grief Learn the difference between releasing grief and replaying traumatic events How vicarious trauma can affect the clinician

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Learn how positive psychology can be used in healing grief

Understand why clients may treat themselves

Learn new ways to decrease suffering after a

### Pet Loss

Learn why pet loss is just as significant as other losses

Understand why clients may not reveal loss of

Learn new ways to help with feelings of exaggerated responsibility

### **Self-care for Clinician Working with Loss**

Learn how to take care of ourselves when being surrounded by loss

Understand why we sometimes over identify with clients

Understand if it's helpful to self-disclose about the clinicians losses

### **Successfully Supporting Friends and Family Members in Grief**

Learn what to say and what not to say

Understand proven strategies that will help clients heal themselves while not getting lost in others' grief

Tools for normalizing anticipatory grief for the

## Tools for the Clinician to Help Clients Cope

Bullycide

**Anniversaries** 

Holidays - the seen and unseen **Birthdays** 

### **Disasters and How We Cope**

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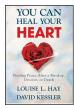
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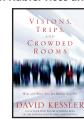
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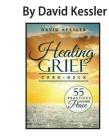


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