

Outline

Types of Grief & Their Implications for Treatment

Explain historical and current relevant theories and models describing the physical and psychosocial effect of loss, grief, and mourning on the individual and family system

Compare factors that influence normal and complicated reactions to dying and grief

Disenfranchised grief

Persistent Prolonged Grief Disorder

Traumatic Bereavement

Prolonged Grief Disorder

- Common trajectories for grief
- Recognize Prolonged Grief Disorder
- Risk factors for Prolonged Grief Disorder
- Treatment interventions

Types of Loss & Their Impact on Grieving

- Parental loss
- Child loss
- Widowhood
- Non-death losses

Grief & the Family: Guide Families Through Healthy Grieving

Differentiate potential loss events occurring throughout the lifespan, including non-death situations, and complicated bereavement

Identify theories and models of individual, couple, and family resilience

- Family systems theory: Family influences on individual grief
- Variables that complicate family adaptation
- Strategies to guide family adaptation to loss
- Develop respect for different grieving styles
- The role of gender norms
- Developmental considerations & milestones related to loss reactions for:
 - Children
 - Adolescents
 - Early adulthood
 - Middle adulthood
 - Later adulthood

Multicultural Considerations for Grief Treatment

Analyze the ethnic, gender, and cultural factors that affect responses to loss-related situations

Increase awareness of one's own beliefs, assumptions, and biases and how they may influence the establishment and maintenance of therapeutic relationships with culturally diverse clients

Cultural factors affecting expression of grief

Impact on mourning practices

Culture's impact on death anxiety & meaning of life

Determine where the identity emphasis lies

Cultural values regarding emotional expression and disclosure

The impact of society on grief

Assessment: Intake Considerations for Grieving Clients

Articulate how to plan and implement appropriate assessments, interventions, and strategies

Perform a clinical assessment to inform the clinicians' choice of best treatment interventions for the reduction of symptoms

Current conceptualization models

Factors impacting the grief experience

Assess for depression and suicide ideation

Differentiate between depression, grief & PTSD

Persistent Prolonged Grief Disorder

Take home assessment tools

Grief Treatment: Interventions & Strategies to Improve Clinical Outcomes

Analyze the efficacy of various treatment interventions for complicated grief to improve clinical outcomes

Utilize clinical strategies to assist grieving clients in the move from fight/flight or freeze to social engagement in sessions

Utilize the co-regulating pathways of the social engagement system in session as an approach to managing symptoms of complicated grief

- Assist clients with expressing their pain
- Integrate a new inner image of the deceased
- Client self-assessment strategies for coping
- Foster client relaxation skills
- Let the client lead: Starting point, story & stopping point
- Cultivate acceptance
- Elicit emotional availability in clients
- Give clients "permission" to not share stories
- Develop healthy grief rituals
- Target guilt due to stopping grief rituals
- Build a bridge between memories, current behaviors & underlying values
- Help clients accept the finality of the death
- Navigate the treatment of multiple losses
- "Family coat of arms" activity

Professional Issues: Ethical Considerations for Working with Grieving Clients, Their Families & the Terminally Ill

Scrutinize the ethical and legal issues in end-of-life decisions, such as suffering, dying and choice, and their clinical implications

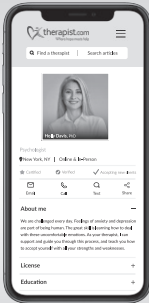
Examine one's own cognitive, affective, behavioral, and valuational reaction to death and dying and bereavement as it relates to professional practice with client's experiencing grief and loss


- Ethical dilemmas that confront the terminally ill
- Ethical principles of end-of-life decisions
- The clinician's role in addressing psychological suffering & needs of the terminally ill
- Impact of cause of death on social isolation
- Identify the core values and principles of professional ethical behavior
- Boundaries of professional competence

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Meet Your Speaker

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