

Chair: Dr Kenneth Donaldson, Medical Director / Associate Postgraduate Dean for Grief and Bereavement, NHS Dumfries & Galloway / NHS Education for Scotland

09:10 **Welcome & Conference Opening**

Professor Jason Leitch CBE
National Clinical Director, Scottish Government

09:30 **Opening Plenary - Bereavement is everyone's business - the future of bereavement support in Scotland**

The Right Reverend and Right Honourable Dame Sarah Mullally DBE
The Bishop of London and Chair of the Bereavement Commission
Dr Donald Macaskill
Chief Executive
Scottish Care and Bereavement Commissioner for Scotland

10:35 **Reflections on national grief and mourning following the death of Queen Elizabeth II**

Rt Rev Dr Iain Greenshields
Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland

11:00 **Break**

11:15 **Morning Plenary**

Blessing or Curse? Bereavement and Digital Legacies

Professor Elaine Kasket
Counselling Psychologist & Author:
'All the Ghosts in the Machine: The Digital Afterlife of Your Personal Data'

12:00 **Parallel Sessions: Bereavement across the ages**

1. Grief when there is no bereavement: exploring loss in the context of infertility

Professor Abha Maheshwari
Consultant Reproductive Medicine, Director
and Person Responsible, Aberdeen Fertility Centre
Lead Clinician, Fertility Scotland, National Network

2. Traumatic bereavement in children and young people

Dr David Trickey
Consultant Clinical Psychologist & Co-Director
UK Trauma Council

3. Unexpected Death - An Emergency Department perspective

Dr Katherine Ritchie
Consultant in Emergency Medicine
NHS Grampian (North East Scotland)
Julie McWilliam
Emergency Department Senior Staff Nurse
NHS Grampian
Suzanne Edwicker
Emergency Department Porter
NHS Grampian
Sarah Black
Physician Associate
St George's Hospital Emergency Department, London

- 4. Supporting those who are bereaved following substance use** **Martha Rae**
Senior Virtual Family Support Practitioner
Scottish Families affected by Alcohol and Drugs
- 5. Creating more bereavement-friendly workplaces** **Rebecca Patterson**
Director of Good Life, Good Death, Good Grief
Scottish Partnership for Palliative Care
Alison Bunce
Programme Lead
Compassionate Inverclyde / Inverclyde Cares
Jen Somerville
Development Co-ordinator: Scotland
Child Bereavement UK
- 6. Bereavement support through companioning:
A spiritual care approach** **Maureen O'Neill**
Director
Faith in Older People
Ruth Aird
Research Associate
Faith in Older People

12:50 **Lunch Break / Poster Viewing**

Chair: Dr Graham Whyte, Consultant in Palliative Medicine / Associate Postgraduate Dean for Grief and Bereavement, Marie Curie Hospice, Glasgow / NHS Education for Scotland

13:30 **Afternoon Plenary**

Poster Winners Announced

Finding ways to talk about death

Michael Rosen
Author, Teacher & Broadcaster

14:15 **Parallel Sessions: Diversity of bereavement experiences**

7. The impact of premature death in homelessness

Dr Johanna Reilly
General Practitioner
Doneil Macleod
Mental Health Nurse
Access Practice, NHS Lothian

8. Death in Custody - Supporting those affected by bereavement in prison

Rev Jill Clancy
Prison Chaplain
HM Prison Barlinnie, Glasgow

**9. Creating a humanities resource bank for bereavement
- pointing to writing, poems, art and movies**

Dr Neil Turner
Professor of Nephrology
University of Edinburgh
Dr Eleri Williams
Consultant in General Medicine and Nephrology
St John's Hospital, Livingston

**10. Faith, cultural and spiritual considerations after death
where an early burial is required**

Dr C George M Fernie

Senior Medical Reviewer and Caldicott Guardian
Appraisal Lead, National Services Scotland and
Partner Organisations, Death Certification Review Service
Healthcare Improvement Scotland

Ephraim Borowski

Director
Scottish Council of Jewish Communities

Fiona Blair

Senior Registrar
Births, Deaths, Marriages & Civil Partnerships
Association of Registrars of Scotland

Cathy Dunlop

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**11. Anticipatory Grief - exploring how we can be affected before a
person dies**

Dr Paul Baughan

General Practitioner / National Clinical Advisor for Ageing
and Health, Dollar Health Centre / CMO Directorate, Scottish Government

Dr Gemma Edwards

ST6 Neonatal Trainee
Princess Royal Maternity Hospital, NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde

Dr Fariel Rahman

Consultant Community Child Health and Neurodisability
Glasgow Specialist Children's Services

15:05 **Break**

15:15 **Closing Plenary**

The Value of Listening

Brigid Russell

Coach & Consultant
Brigid Russell Coaching Ltd

15:55 **Closing Comments**

Chair

16:00 **Close**