

Grief Support for Families of Children with Deaf-Blindness

With great thoughtfulness, the National Center on Deaf-Blindness (NCDB), the National Family Association for Deaf-Blind (NFADB), and state deaf-blind project personnel have been collecting grief resources for families related to child loss. As you can imagine, death is a very traumatic experience for families. When coupled with a secondary loss of connection to the deaf-blind community, healing can be even more challenging. To help, we've created [a list of resources where family members can obtain information and support: https://nationaldb.org/wiki/page/10/753](https://nationaldb.org/wiki/page/10/753)

We are also pleased to announce that our second Parent Grief Support Group will begin October 11, 2017 and continue for 5 consecutive months. These web-based, peer-to-peer meetings allow parents who have lost a child an opportunity to process their grief and learn a coping strategies that have helped others. The meetings will be held on Wednesday evenings, twice per month. **We are asking interested parents to commit to the entire 5-month series.** Enrollment is free.

Dates and Times

Meetings will be on the dates listed below at 5:30 PT/6:30 MT/7:30 CT/8:30 ET for 90 minutes.

Session Number & Date	Topic
Session 1 – October 11	Welcome
Session 2 – October 25	Weaving Through Grief
Session 3 – November 1	Grieving as a Juggling Act
Session 4 – November 15	"I Wish I Would Have..."
Session 5 – December 6	Safety and Grief
Session 6 – December 20	Internal and External Pressures
Session 7 – January 10	Food, Fellowship, and Sharing
Session 8 – January 24	Impact of Loss on Your Health and Well-Being
Session 9 – February 7	Tribute Night
Session 10 – February 21	Pearls of Wisdom

How to Join

If you are interested in joining this group, please contact:

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Or [Register on-line using this link:](#)

<http://www.surveymzmo.com/s3/3370521/Peer-Grief-Support-Program-Registration-Form>

