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## Workplace Support for Parental Grief

### Who is conducting the research?

The research is being conducted by Dr Kirsten Agnes Way, Dr Fiona MacCallum and Joan Wei Yi Chen from the School of Psychology, University of Queensland.

### What is the research about?

This study aims to understand the workplace experiences of bereaved workers after the loss of a child, specifically, this study is investigating how organisations can provide adequate and appropriate support to bereaved parents within the workplace. We are also seeking foundational knowledge that may improve the bereavement policies and practices in workplaces. The research questions include:

- (1) How can organisations ensure that their employees' return to work after the death of a child is best supported?
- (2) What can organisations do to provide better support to assist employees cope with their bereavement once they are back at work?

### How will it help children and young people with cancer and/or their families?

In better understanding the support bereaved employees may need from their organisation, we aim to share findings that may drive improvements in the handling of management and co-worker responses, as well as policies, procedures, and structural supports, thereby assisting in making the transition back to work as smooth as possible for bereaved workers.

### Who can take part?

You can take part in this study if you are a working adult (over 18 years of age) who has experienced the loss of child at some point in their lives.

### What will participants be asked to do?

Participation involves a semi-structured, one-hour interview that will be conducted face-to-face, or via telephone, videoconference, or audioconference (i.e., Zoom). The interviewer

will ask a series of questions relating to your experiences of returning to work after the death of your child.

## **When and where is the research taking place?**

Interviews are currently open until October 2021.

## **Who has reviewed this study?**

This study has been reviewed by the University of Queensland Human Research Ethics Committee. Project No. 2021/HE000694

## **How to find out more**

If you are willing to share your experiences, please click on the link below to provide your name and contact details directly to UQ. The researchers from the University of Queensland will then be in touch to book an interview at a time that is convenient for you.

<https://survey.psy.uq.edu.au/Workplace-Support-for-Bereaved-Parents.aspx>

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