

# Ways of Working with Grief and Loss in Aboriginal Communities



## Date

Thurs 19 March 2020

## Time

Registration 8.45am  
9am - 4pm

## Venue

Seminar Room  
Cancer Council WA  
15 Bedbrook Place  
SHENTON PARK

## Catering

Morning tea and lunch provided

## Cost

\$95 (inc. GST)

## Online Registration

<https://grief-aboriginal-com-4-mar-2020.eventbrite.com.au>

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## Designed for

Doctors, Registered Nurses, Enrolled Nurses, Allied Health Professionals, Pastoral Care, Facility Managers, and Psychologists working with Aboriginal Patients with a life limiting illness

## Overview

Health professionals who are working with Aboriginal patients with a life limiting illness strive for culturally safe care.

Being able to support Aboriginal people dealing with grief, loss, and trauma requires an understanding of these issues as experienced by Aboriginal individuals, families, and communities. This one-day workshop is informed by the latest research and best-practice and provides opportunities for participants to consider relevant cases or issues they've encountered.

## Learning areas

- Identifying and describing grief, loss, and trauma
- Understanding the relevance of current grief and loss theory to the cultural, social and emotional wellbeing of Aboriginal community members
- Discussing the applications of grief and loss supports for Aboriginal community members
- Exploring the role of the health professional in providing appropriate support

## Presented by

**Angela Ryder** is Wilman Noongar from Western Australia. She is the manager of Aboriginal programs with Relationships Australia where she runs grief, loss, and trauma workshops for Aboriginal people. Angela is a Noongar yorga and a founding member of the Langford Aboriginal Association, which offers a number of community programs including language courses in Noongar for children and adults.

**Lauren Breen** is a Registered Psychologist and Associate Professor in psychology at Curtin University. Her award-winning research takes an applied focus to grief and loss support. Lauren's research is recognised internationally and she has published over 90 articles and chapters. She is an Associate Editor of Death Studies, a board member of the Australian Centre for Grief and Bereavement, and a Fellow of Thanatology: Death, Dying, and Bereavement.

***This session is delivered as part of our Extension program designed to extend and expand upon existing palliative care knowledge.***