

Irish Hospice Foundation: Professional Certificate in Children & Loss (Level 9) (<https://www.activelink.ie/node/113895>)



Irish Hospice Foundation: Applications Open for Professional Certificate in Children and Loss (Level 9)

Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI) in association with Irish Hospice Foundation (IHF) offer a Professional Certificate in Children and Loss (Level 9). It seeks to equip practitioners with the practical skills to understand and support children on their grief journey.

Applications are open for the Professional Certificate in Children and Loss commencing this September. Applications are invited from professionals whose work brings them into contact with children who are bereaved through a family death or parental separation. The course will be of interest to social workers, teachers, chaplains, social care workers, psychologists, counsellors, and others who meet bereaved children in their work.

About the Professional Certificate in Children and Loss

This Professional Certificate in Children and Loss aims to equip professionals who work with children and young people with the skills to understand and support them when grieving. When a child experiences loss, either through death or a parental separation, their needs are often misunderstood or overlooked. Children may express their grief in ways that are different to adults, and often their reactions can go unrecognised.

Accreditation: This course is accredited by RCSI and National University of Ireland as a Level 9 qualification.

Blended learning: Classes take place both online and in-person.

Fees: The fee for the course is €1,650.

Learning Outcomes

The course aims to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the theories, principles, and practices on supporting bereaved children and young people. For a complete list of the learning outcomes, please visit the [course webpage \(https://hospicefoundation.ie/our-supports-services/education-training/bereavement-post-graduate-courses/prof-cert-children-loss/\)](https://hospicefoundation.ie/our-supports-services/education-training/bereavement-post-graduate-courses/prof-cert-children-loss/) or download the [course schedule \(https://hospicefoundation.ie/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Professional-Certificate-in-Children-and-Loss-Course-Schedule-2025-to-2026-Irish-Hospice-Foundation.pdf\)](https://hospicefoundation.ie/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Professional-Certificate-in-Children-and-Loss-Course-Schedule-2025-to-2026-Irish-Hospice-Foundation.pdf).

Apply Today

To apply for the Professional Certificate in Children and Loss commencing 4 September 2025, please submit your application on the RCSI website. **The application deadline is 12 May 2025**

[Apply for the Professional Certificate in Children and Loss.](https://www.activelink.ie/node/113895)

<https://www.rcsi.com/online/find-a-course/professional-certificate/c/h/children-and-loss>

Questions?

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