



**Cruse
Area Administrator
Oakley Hall
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High Wycombe
HP13 6RF**

Bereavement Support Foundation Course

The course is run over five Saturdays with a possible sixth to be added, starting at 9.30-4.00pm. **Attendance at all sessions is essential.**

The aim of the course is to provide potential volunteers with the skills needed to work with the bereaved. Attendance on this course does not automatically guarantee a placement with Cruse.

There will be a limited number of places within the local Cruse branches for which, those who have completed the course, may apply. Please note that some of the Buckinghamshire branches may be unable to accommodate new recruits as volunteers so consider this before making a commitment. On the positive side this course is acceptable to other branches of Cruse nationally.

Students will be expected to produce a portfolio, to be handed in at the end of the course as part of the assessment process.

Points to consider:

Bereavements volunteers joining Cruse will be expected to take an active part in the telephone manning rota for at least 12 months after joining us, you will also be required to be seeing at least 2 clients per week on average (with allowances for holidays and breaks etc). Areas in Buck are Aylesbury, Chiltern & Beaconsfield/Amersham and High Wycombe.

The venue is: The Community Centre, Walton Court Shopping Centre. Hannon Road, Aylesbury, Bucks HP21 8TJ A certificate of attainment will be given to successful candidates.

The number of places on the course is **limited to 18** and there is a large demand. It is not advisable to apply for this course if you have experienced any recent major loss or bereavement. An interview either in person or via telephone is apart of the application procedure; though throughout the course participants are assessed.

Application forms may be returned via email to: support.buckinghamshire@cruse.org.uk

Once your application has been accepted Full payment of £250.00 will be required. please send your cheque, made payable to Cruse Bereavement Care, to the address above or complete BACS transfer or PayPal details to follow.

Please do not send payment before you have been offered a place.

An outline of the course content will be sent if your application is successful.