



The National Grief Center  
for Children & Families

# VIRTUAL PROFESSIONAL SEMINAR | January 26 to 30, 2026



Join Dougy Center's knowledgeable staff for an opportunity to explore the fundamentals of grief education across the lifespan. While the majority of helping professionals do not have formal grief education, the 2026 Virtual Professional Seminar<sup>1</sup> will provide the tools and information to become grief-informed. Learn with colleagues from around the United States and beyond who support, or plan to support, children and families who are grieving. ***Dougy Center offers 7.25 of Clinical and 1 Cultural Continuing Education Credit through the Oregon Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers.***

## LEARN HOW TO:

1. Identify the core principles and tenets of grief-informed practice
2. Develop awareness of personal beliefs, biases, and attitudes about loss and grief
3. Broaden your knowledge base about loss, grief, and developmental considerations of people who are grieving across the lifespan
4. Support individuals who are grieving using grief-informed best practices and resources
5. Practice and incorporate grief-informed language in personal and professional settings
6. Recognize and address the needs of children, teens, young adults, and families who are grieving

SPECIAL  
FEATURE

## LIVE Q&A WITH DR. DONNA SCHUURMAN

Dr. Schuurman is an internationally recognized authority on grief and bereaved children, teens, and families. Donna has worked directly with families and communities impacted by large-scale tragedies, including the Oklahoma City bombing (1995), Japan's Great Hanshin Earthquake (1995), the 9/11 Attacks, Tohoku Earthquake (2011), and the Sandy Hook school shootings (2012).



### Dates:

January 26 to 30, 2026

### Times each day:

10 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. PT  
11 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. MT  
Noon to 3:15 p.m. CT  
1 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. ET

### Tuition: \$899

Discounts available for early  
and group registration

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At Dougy Center, we value relationships and connection. We intentionally aim to create spaces where people can be heard, valued, and connect with one another. Virtual Professional Seminar offers an opportunity to do just that with a smaller group of participants interested in learning together.

<sup>1</sup>Please note that this seminar is similar in content and has overlap with our online introductory course, Supporting Children, Teens, and Young Adults Who are Grieving.