

# Are you a young person who has experienced the death of someone you were close to? Can you help?

## Doctoral research study looking for participants

### What is the study about and why is it important?

We want to find out what talking about death is like for young people who are bereaved – by actually listening to those young people!

If we can find out about the experiences of young people who have been bereaved we might be able to do more to help young people in the future.

### Can I take part?

You need to be aged 12-21 (and were between 12 and 18 when the person you were close to died).

You need to have experienced the death at least six months ago and not longer than five years ago.



### What would I have to do?

- The research will involve having a face to face conversation with a researcher which should take about an hour. The researcher will ask you about how you have found talking about the death both before the person you were close to died and since they have died.
- We understand it can be difficult to talk about this but to make it as easy for you as possible you can talk about your experiences in any way you want to and you don't have to answer anything you don't feel comfortable to. If you want to stop at any time that's OK too. The researcher you will talk to has worked with bereaved young people before so will make sure you feel comfortable and supported. It won't be scary!

To find out more information and to help you decide if you'd like to take part either you or your parent or guardian can contact the researcher at [T7088040@live.tees.ac.uk](mailto:T7088040@live.tees.ac.uk) or [clarewakenshaw@hotmail.com](mailto:clarewakenshaw@hotmail.com). The researcher's name is Clare. Thank you!

This study has ethical approval from Teesside University School of Social Sciences, Humanities & Law Research Ethics Committee.