The need for bereavement education

  A description of the relational learning education approach that RTS utilizes.
  A review of multiple articles that conclude the need for education to reduce nurse anxiety for caring for the dying.
  A discussion on the anxiety experienced by nurses when caring for those who are dying. Concludes that education on end-of-life care decreases nurse anxiety.
  Discussion on the need for education to improve comfort in providing bereavement care.

The need for supporting the management of health professionals' grief after the death of a patient

  Description of a form of multidisciplinary debriefing called a “wrap-up” that was found to assist with processing, understanding, and resolving pediatric death experiences.

Nurses self-report the need for grief care to be offered to health care professionals through opportunities to make meaning and educational, clinical, and emotional support.

RTS training provides informational and clinical support throughout and has a section specifically dedicated to caring for the care giver. RTS emphasizes the value of involving the relationship the care provider had with the patient. Bereavement debriefings are highlighted as an opportunity to provide emotional support and create meaning of these relationships.

  Provides research regarding the impact on obstetric nurses of perinatal loss—support for staff and time to recover recognized as top factors.

The need of parents for perinatal and child death support

  Research results indicate families' appreciation of time and contact with their baby, having options provided by staff, and follow-up.
A review of the literature that indicates parental need for support when a child dies.


  Data reflecting increased proportion of family speech significantly associated with increased family satisfaction with physician communication and with decreased family ratings of conflict with the physician.


  Investigation on parents' need/desire to have follow-up meetings with medical professionals, including the physician, and/or follow-up phone calls or notes. RTS teaches the value of and steps for planning grief conferences and providing follow up for bereaved families.


  Discussion of the coping benefits to bereaved mothers provided by many types of informal and professional support after the death of a child, including long-term follow-up and social support from health care professionals.

**The financial, legal, and customer satisfaction savings of bereavement programs**


**The value of utilizing evidence-based practice**

Positive use of photography

The need for hope

Articles that reflect the need for interdisciplinary care

The need for spirituality in health care

The need for organized bereavement programs, follow up phone calls, and commemorative events
  A systematic review of parental experiences with hospital care after perinatal death.
  Discussion of the positive impact follow up phone calls, condolence cards, support groups, and commemorative events on bereaved families and friends.

The need for empathetic communication