The purpose of this guide is to help you find information and support on talking to children about grief and bereavement. This guide provides links and references to reliable and current information sources for patients, families, and caregivers.

Many of the materials in this guide can be found at the Patient Education Resource Center (PERC) in the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, Level B2.

**Brochures**

- Rogers, Fred and Sharapan, Hedda. Talking with Young Children About Death.

**Books**

**For Children**


**For Teens**


**For Adults Helping Children**


**Audiovisual Resources**


**Web Resources**

- Dougy Center
  [http://dougy.org](http://dougy.org)

  The Dougy Center is a leading organization providing grief support services to children and teens, as well as training and education to professionals in the field. The site helps to locate local grief support groups, and offers information and resources on helping children and teens that have experienced the death of a parent, sibling, or friend.
Ele's Place
http://elesplace.org
Ele’s Place is a nonprofit, community-based organization dedicated to creating awareness of and support for grieving children and their families. Located in Ann Arbor, Grand Rapids, and Lansing.

Hello Grief
http://hellogrief.org
A place to share and learn about grief and loss.

Kidsaid.com
http://kidsaid.com/k2k_support.html
A companion site to griefnet.org, Kidsaid.com provides a safe environment for grieving kids and their parents to find information and ask questions.

National Alliance for Grieving Children
https://childrengrieve.org
This site supports awareness of the needs of children and teens greiving a death – and provides education and resources for healing.

University of Michigan Programs

Families Facing Cancer Program at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center. This program focuses on resources and programs for children who have a parent or other adult family member confronting cancer.

Grief and Loss Program at the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center
This site has information about events and resources for families dealing with loss. The online booklet “Coping with Transitions” has valuable information for people who have just lost a loved one.

Community Programs for Grieving Children & Teens

Ele's Place of Lansing, Grand Rapids, and Ann Arbor:
http://elesplace.org

Gilda's Club of Grand Rapids
http://gildasclubgr.org

Gilda's Club of Metro Detroit
http://gildasclubdetroit.org

Hospice Directory
http://hospicedirectory.org
Hospice programs may also offer programs for bereaved children and teens and can be contacted for this information.
• National Alliance for Grieving Children  
  https://childrengrieve.org  
  Provides a complete listing of Michigan and other State programs and camps for bereaved children and teens.

• Sandcastles  
  http://aboutsandcastles.org  
  SandCastles provides a caring place for children, teens, and their families who have experienced a death, to share their loss and journey through grief in a safe and supportive environment,