

# Continuing Professional Development Lecture: Mental Health & Grief: Understanding Patients and Caregivers (Part 1) 22 November 2023

# **Synopsis**

Patients and caregivers often experience multiple losses loss of health, independence, freedom, mobility, career, financial security, and family harmony. Caregivers may also experience anticipatory grief when a loved one is still living, as well as ambiguous loss, when a loved one losses mental capacity and is "there but not there".

Society often expects patients and caregivers to ignore their own grief and just get on with doing the practical things that need to be done. However, unresolved grief can lead to depression and other problems. Allied health professionals can play an important role in engaging meaningfully with patients and caregivers — acknowledging their emotions, helping them identify their losses, and pointing them towards further professional help, hence leading to better outcomes.

After the lecture, the participants will be able to gain an understanding on:

- what loss is
- the types of losses commonly experienced by patients and caregivers
- what grief is
- common misconceptions about grief

# Speaker



Miss Gracie Mak Co-founder and Director Whispering Hope

GRACIE MAK is Co-founder and Director of Whispering Hope, the only consultancy in Singapore that specialises in the internationally-recognised, evidence-based Grief Recovery Method<sup>®</sup> program.

Gracie holds a Master's degree in Organizational Leadership, focused on Organizational Development Consulting. Besides being a Grief Recovery Specialist<sup>®</sup> certified by the Grief Recovery Institute, she is also a certified Life Coach with Lifeforming Leadership Coaching, USA.

Gracie was previously the CEO of a medical centre in Singapore and the Business Development Director of an international five-star hotel. Over the years, she has worked with many corporate leaders and clients, as well as young adults and families. She is a subject matter expert on loss and grief, and has been interviewed on CNA938 and other media.



# Lecture Details

Date	:	22 November 2023 (Wednesday)
Duration	:	60 minutes
Time	:	6.00 pm – 7.00 pm
Fee	:	Complimentary
Platform	:	Zoom Cloud Meetings

#### **Target Audience**

Allied Health Professionals, Pharmacists, Doctors and Nurses.

# Registration

To register (Internet access is required), scan the QR code or click on the web link. Registration closes on **22 October 2023, Sunday**.



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Upon registration, you agree to the following <u>Terms &</u> <u>Conditions</u>.

Zoom Capacity: 500

This lecture will be conducted via <u>Zoom Cloud Meetings</u> app. For ease of accessing the lecture, please download/ update Zoom Cloud Meetings app.

Details of the lecture meeting link will be sent to the successful registrants nearer the lecture date.

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