Please refer to the Devon Formulary and Referral websites for helpful primary care information for management of referrals and up to date referral criteria.

<http://southwest.devonformularyguidance.nhs.uk/>

The Bereavement Counselling Service is a specialised bereavement service in complex grief and/or traumatic loss and is not suitable for those who are in ‘normal’ grieving (intense sadness may be present but this is a normal grief response).

Complex grief takes many months to appear having an ongoing, heightened state of mourning that prevents healing in the grieving process to normal grief.

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| **PLEASE X REASON FOR REFERRAL (ONE OR BOTH MUST APPLY)** | |
| **Traumatic loss is evident i.e., suicide, sudden death, tragic accidents and murder** |  |
| **Complex grief is evident i.e., severe impairment in functioning and resuming own life.** |  |

**PLEASE COMPLETE IN PRINT (WE DO NOT ACCEPT HAND WRITTEN FORMS):**

**Date of Referral:**

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| Patient Surname: | |  | | | Patient Title: | |  | | Age:  Date of Birth: | |  | |
| Forename(s): | |  | | | |  | |  | Gender: | |  | |
| Address (& postcode): | | | | | | NHS Number: | | | Ethnicity: | | | |
| Preferred Tel No: | | | **Leave Message:** | | | | | | | | | |
| Tel No (Mobile): | | |  | | | | Tel No (Home): | | |  | | |
| Patient’s email: | | |  | | | | | | | | | |
| **Referrers Details** | | | | | | | | | | |
| **GP Name:** | | | **Other:** | | | | | | | |
| **Address:** | | |  | | | | | | | |
| **Contact number:** | | |  | | | | | | | |
| **Email:** | | |  | | | | | | | |

**Is the bereavement suicide related:**

**Primary Reason for Referral:**

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| **Information about the person who has died:** | |
| Person who died? |  |
| Patient’s relationship to bereaved person? |  |
| How did they die? |  |
| Where did they die? |  |
| Full date of death? |  |

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| **Signs of trauma and/or complex grief** |
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| Any other information: |
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| **Current Medication** |
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***Are there any referrals to any other services pending?***

***Are there any potential lone working concerns i.e., hazards/safeguarding issues Yes No***

**Signature of referrer:**

**Please e-mail to** [**bcs.referrals@nhs.net**](mailto:bcs.referrals@nhs.net)