Volunteer Counsellor Application Form

Full Name:
Address: Postcode:
Preferred telephone contact number:
Email address:
How did you hear about The Bereavement Counselling Charity?
What interests you about joining The Bereavement Counselling Charity?

Please tell us something about your previous experience, e.g. paid work, voluntary work, counselling experience.

Have you had a close personal bereavement in the last 5 years? If yes, please say when.

Which college are you training with and what are your requirements of a placement with The Bereavement Counselling Charity (TBCC)?

Do you have a fitness to practice certificate? Yes / No

If yes, please enclose a copy with your application

If no, please provide details:

QUALIFIED COUNSELLORS PLEASE COMPLETE SECTION A, STUDENTS PLEASE COMPLETE SECTION B

Section A – Qualified Counsellors Only

Please provide the following information:

College:

Dates attended:

Qualification:

Awarding body:

Total tutor contact hours:

Number of supervised counselling hours:

Number of personal therapy hours:

Course content:

Section B – Student Counsellors Only

Please provide the following information:

College:

Course dates:

Qualification:

Awarding body:

Total tutor contact hours:

Number of supervised counselling hours required:

Number of personal therapy hours required:

Course content:

References

Please provide the names and addresses/emails for 2 people who would be willing to act as a referee. For qualified counsellors we would expect your current supervisor to be a referee.

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Office use:

As volunteers are in a privileged position visiting clients in their own homes and have contact with bereaved and potentially vulnerable adults, The Bereavement Counselling Charity has a responsibility to ensure that no one becomes a volunteer who would misuse this trust. Therefore, it is essential that you complete and sign this form.

Name:	
Have you had any personal contact with Social Services/Social Work Department or NSPCC in connection with children in your care? Have any of your children been subject to a child protection, child in need plan or assessment?	Yes/No
Do you consider yourself to have a disability or health condition and if so what adjustments could TBCC provide to enable you to volunteer? Please provide detail, continue on separate sheet if required.	Yes/No
Have you ever been dismissed from any paid or voluntary work?	Yes/No
Have you ever been arrested or had contact (e.g. received a warning/caution/ attended court) with the police for any type of criminal offence?	Yes/No
Are there any matters outstanding which may lead to a criminal prosecution?	Yes/No
If you answer yes to any question please give details: If you do not declare existing or spent cautions or convictions you may not be selected. However, if you declare any of the above it may still be possible to become a volunteer counsellor.	
I know of no reason why I would be unsuitable to be a volunteer with TBCC. **I will report any changes in my circumstances which may affect my role***	Yes/No

I give permission for The Bereavement Counselling Charity to carry out checks e.g.(DBS/PVG/Access N) at enhanced level or other checks with the appropriate agency.

I understand that failing to declare my involvement no matter how minor, with the Police/ Criminal Justice system may result in my being deemed unsuitable as a volunteer.

I understand that my national insurance number may be required and that personal information about me will be held in records (including electronic records) some of which may be sensitive information such as age, race, gender, disability and that this information may be used for monitoring purposes.

I agree to The Bereavement Counselling Charity holding this information and understand that I may ask to see my records at any time.

Signed: _____ Dated:_____

On completion, please return your form and supporting documents to:
Post: The Bereavement Counselling Charity, PO Pox 250, Petersfield, Hampshire GU32 9EJ
Email: admin@bereavementcharity.org.uk

Any queries please call 07827491902