

PURPOSE

Launched in 2024, the NSCGEWM is a coordinated effort that supports equitable access for all, does not rely on one program, and recognizes the role of strong social networks and community-based supports for grief and emotional wellness.



5 Key Components of the Model

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| Community Hub Organization | Act as provincial hub coordinating community capacity building to support grief and emotional well-being via training, needs assessments, and grant distribution |
| Community Partners | Individuals and organizations supporting grief and emotional wellness in their community |
| Knowledge Collaborative | Offers free learning opportunities for non-profit community-based service providers providing mental health and addictions support/services |
| Grief Alliance | A network for individuals and organizations working in grief support to connect, learn and share best practices |
| Health System | Collaborates and coordinates across health system, and with partners, to build grief literacy and improve clinical pathways |

WHY IT MATTERS

Grief touches everyone. This model provides dedicated roles and structures to strengthen collaboration and consistency across both the community and the health system. By building a shared foundation of grief and emotional wellness for all Nova Scotians, it supports coordinated, responsive, and equitable care.

Historically, Nova Scotia has not had a coordinated grief and bereavement system. By investing in education, training, and collaboration, those who deliver grief and emotional wellness care are better supported in their work – no matter where they live in Nova Scotia.

Enhanced Knowledge & Skills

Build grief literacy at all levels - from individuals to professionals.

Collaboration & Partnership

Laying the groundwork for a sustainable model that relies on deep connections and partnerships across programs and sectors.



Equitable Access

Enhance access to a broad range of grief and emotional wellness supports.

Improved Capacity

Equip community-based and health system providers to identify needs, enhance their skills and connect people with the appropriate level of grief and emotional wellness support.