

## BEREAVEMENT PROGRAM

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### *Location Information*

The Children's Medical Center of Dayton  
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## DIRECTIONS TO DAYTON CHILDREN'S

**From the North:** I-75 south, Exit 54C to Rt. 4; stay left when exiting I-75; Rt. 4 north to Valley St./ Troy St. exit. (Do not exit off at Webster St.) Go through first stop sign at bottom of exit ramp. Valley Street is the next stop sign. Turn left.

**From the South:** I-75 north to the Stanley Avenue exit. Turn right on Stanley Ave. Follow Stanley Ave. until Valley Street. Turn right on Valley Street. Or I-675 north, Exit 13 to Rt. 35; west on Rt. 35 to the Keowee St. exit; right on Keowee to Valley St.; right on Valley St.

**From the East:** Rt. 35 west to the Keowee St. exit; right on Keowee St. to Valley St.; right on Valley St. From I-70 Exit 41, take Rt. 4 south to Stanley Ave./Findlay St. exit. Turn right at bottom of exit, then left at the first light on Stanley Ave. This is Valley St.

**From the West:** Third St. east to Keowee St.; left on Keowee St. to Valley St.; right on Valley St.

### *For your information*

Parking is available at Dayton Children's. A parking garage is located in front of the hospital. The hospital is also accessible by bus. Call RTA at 937-226-1144 for schedule and route information.



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## BEREAVEMENT SERVICES



**JOURNEY**  
through Grief



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Dayton Children's Bereavement team is available to meet the needs of our patients and families/friends before, during and after the death of a child. The team's response is based on the child/family's cultural, religious and other individual preferences. Our primary focus is to provide support to both the child and their family/friends. Resources which are available include chaplain service, medical/nursing support, psychological/counseling intervention and social work involvement. Memories are created at the time of death and are made available to the family when they are ready. Follow-up support mailings occur throughout the first year. Formal support groups and individual family support is also available.

A memorial service is offered annually in December for families to celebrate their child's life. Please contact Cindy Asher RN CNS, 937-641-3000, extension 8934 or e-mail [asherc@childrensdayton.org](mailto:asherc@childrensdayton.org) for more information.

## SUPPORT GROUPS AT DAYTON CHILDREN'S

**Bereaved parent support group** — Parental/family support is offered in a variety of formats. Extended family and friends are also welcome. For further information, contact:

- ▶ Charlotte Lemming, social work  
937-641-5300  
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**Perinatal loss support group** — Families who have experienced their baby's death at any time during pregnancy (including miscarriage or still birth) or after birth may join this drop-in group. Extended family and friends are also welcome. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm at Dayton Children's. For further information contact Mary Ann Swank (perinatal outreach nurse) at 937-641-3463 or e-mail [swankm@childrensdayton.org](mailto:swankm@childrensdayton.org).

## COMMUNITY SUPPORT GROUPS

**Oaktree Corner** — This support group provides year-round support for children and teens ages 3-18 years who have experienced the death of someone special. An adult parent or caregiver also attends the meeting. Visit [www.oaktreecorner.com](http://www.oaktreecorner.com) for locations/directions or contact 937-285-0199.

**Compassionate Friends** — This support group is for parents whose child has died regardless of their age.

### *Two local chapters*

**Miami Valley Chapter:** Meets at the Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church in Kettering on the third Wednesday of the month from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Contact 937-640-2621.

**Miami County Chapter:** Meets at the Nashville United Church of Christ in West Milton on the fourth Thursday of each month from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm. Contact 937-836-5939.

**Pathways of Hope** — 937-258-4991

**HEAL bereavement program** — 513-705-4056 Meets the third Tuesday of the month at Atrium Medical Center

**Hospice of Darke County** — 937-548-2999

**Generations of Life** — 937-335-5191  
Your Community Bereavement Resource Center, a service of Hospice of Miami County, [www.homc.org](http://www.homc.org)

**Mercy Hospice(Springfield Area)** — 937-390-9665

**SIDS or SUID Support** — 937-339-9794