

# HEAR HEAR!

## Exploring the Art of Listening

*A conference for bereavement visitors, counsellors, clergy, family support workers, healthcare professionals, community leaders, teachers and learning support assistants.*

**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**10.00am – 3.30pm**

**NEW VENUE: St Helen's School, Green Lane, Northwood HA6 1AF**

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### Outline Programme

9.30 am	Arrivals and Registration (Tea & Coffee available)
10.00 am	Welcome and Introductions
10.10 am	Keynote Address: Emmanuel Aharoni
11.10 am	Tea/Coffee Break
11.40 am	Presentations/Scenarios: Effective Listening
12.40 pm	Lunch
1.40 pm	Discussion Forums
3.00 pm	Plenary: Emmanuel Aharoni
3.15 pm	Close

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### Conference fee

#### **Early Bird booking before 31<sup>st</sup> August**

**£65.00** (£45.00 Special rate for Bereavement Care Corporate / Individual members)

#### **Standard Booking from 1<sup>st</sup> September**

**£75.00** (£50.00 Special rate for Bereavement Care Corporate / Individual members)

#### **Student Rate (on application)**

### How to book

Please complete the Application Form and return it to:

**Conference Bookings, Bereavement Care, The Lodge, 64 Pinner Road, Harrow HA1 4HZ**

**You can also book your place by e-mail** by downloading an Application Form from our website and e-mailing it to: **admin@bereavementcareandsupport.co.uk**

**Full payment should accompany all bookings.** You can make payment by bank transfer (payment details on Application Form), or send your cheque by post with your application.

## Keynote Speaker

**Emmanuel Aharoni** qualified as a Chartered Accountant and on moving to London joined one of the big consultancy firms as a recruitment consultant. His initial training was a two-week interviewing skills course, where he learnt to listen. He claims to be good at listening to almost everyone except his wife. For the 20 years before he retired Emmanuel was a self-employed Management Consultant specialising in behaviour in the work place.

## Presentations/Scenarios

**Judi Herman** has a BA and an MA in Performance Arts from Middlesex University. She is a writer and theatre maker, specialising in community plays. She has worked as a drama lecturer at both the University of Westminster and Middlesex University, where her teaching included leading improvisation and role play sessions. She has twice devised scenarios for previous Bereavement Care Conferences. As a radio and print journalist, she is a BBC freelance and the Arts and Podcast Editor of Jewish Renaissance Magazine.

**Prof Ruth Soetendorp** is a retired academic. She was a founding member of her synagogue's *Chevra Kadisha* team (the team of community members who attend to the deceased). She has taught various groups about the principles and practice of *Chevra Kadisha* procedures. She has learnt to respect the way in which *Chevra Kadisha* involvement can be a catalyst for exploring and understanding aspects of bereavement.

## Discussion Forum Facilitators

**Angela Atkins** is a trained primary school special needs teacher with over twenty years' experience in child bereavement support and with a background in psychology and counselling. She is now Pastoral Assistant at Our Lady of Lourdes and St Michael Church in Uxbridge supporting all age groups at some of the more challenging points in their lives, as well as some of their high moments!

**Judy Karbritz** has been a bereavement visitor for over twenty years and a trainer for fifteen years. She runs a support group for people with OCD and holds regular workshops for adults with mental health problems.

**Jack Lynes** is a former Chair of Bereavement Care and continues to serve on the board of trustees. He is a trained facilitator and has extensive experience in listening as a former Chair of Raphael Jewish Counselling and Harrow Interfaith, and past President of Ealing Chamber of Commerce and the Youth Association of Synagogues GB.

**Paul Parsons** is the Adult Bereavement Service Co-ordinator at St Christopher's Hospice and co-ordinates the London Borough of Bromley Bereavement Service. He has a Diploma in Supervision and is currently studying for a Diploma in Trauma and PTSD. Paul is actively involved in facilitating group work and is an accomplished trainer and supervisor in private practice.

**Bobbi Riesel** is a Psychodynamic Counsellor, Bereavement Group Leader and Head of Training for Bereavement Care. Her experience is both wide and varied, especially in the fields of bereavement, domestic violence, stress management, brief therapy, family therapy and supporting families and children with A.D.H.D. She has recently completed a course in counselling bereaved children and has been involved in a European research project for the care of older people.

**Revd Nicholas Schofield** is Parish Priest of Our Lady of Lourdes and St Michael Catholic Church in Uxbridge. In 2018 he was appointed Area Dean of Hillingdon. He is a Fellow of the Royal Historical Society and the Society of Antiquaries of London. He has written several books and provides a weekly column for the Catholic Times.