



**ST LUKE'S HOSPICE
YOUR EXPERIENCE OF LOSS
(Volunteer)**

Dear Applicant,

Working at St Luke's Hospice can be incredibly rewarding, but by the very nature of the work can sometimes be emotional and sad. We ask all our staff and volunteers that they consider this before applying and recognise that previous and current personal experiences can affect the way we cope in emotive situations.

It is important that our staff and volunteers are aware of how this work may impact on them and how well they might cope so they can be effective and safe.

It is therefore our practice to ask perspective candidates to complete an Experience of Loss Form, which will be explored as part of the interview process.

This questionnaire is not a "test" but purely to give an insight into how you cope with death and bereavement. The questions are not intended to distress you but by their very nature they may because they are meant to help you focus on any unresolved conflict or grief which may make it difficult for you to work within our Hospice.

1. The first death I can remember was the death of:

2. I was aged:

3. The feelings I remember I had at the time were:

4. The first funeral (wake or other ritual service) I ever attended was for:

5. I was aged:

6. The thing I remember about the experience was:

7. My most recent loss by death was (person, time, circumstances):

