

Centre for Death & Society Newsletter June 2020

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Director's Note

June 2020

I want to start this month's newsletter with a thank you to Michelle James, who nimbly stepped into the CDAS Research Office and took on both Emma and Tara's jobs. This all happened in early 2020, before the entire world flipped on its side, and while Michelle put the finishing touches on a University of Bath Ph.D. application.



In addition to doing multiple jobs for CDAS (including making sure I wrote these Director's Notes for the newsletter...) Michelle's Ph.D. proposal was successful and she begins her doctorate in the autumn with colleagues in the Centre for the Analysis of Social Policy. So CONGRATULATIONS to Michelle. She'll be working with CDAS in more limited roles beginning in August.

But all hope is not lost when it comes to the CDAS research office. In mid-March, Rachel Willis replaced the post left open by Emma Ford and is doing a fantastic job, e.g., Rachel put the new CDAS COVID-19 webpage together. I spoke in person with Rachel for approximately 5 minutes on March 17, before flying to America on March 18 to assist my parents with some medical issues. As I expected, all my return flights were cancelled due to COVID-19 and I've been living with my parents in small town Wisconsin since that time. Never expected to be living with my parents again, but there you have it. If all goes according to plan I will return to the UK in July. I think. And my parents are fine, in case anyone is worried.

I wasn't going to mention anything about Wisconsin but then George Floyd was killed in Minnesota. My hometown, Hudson, Wisconsin, is on the border with Minnesota and a thirty-five minute drive from Minneapolis. I lived for many years in the neighbourhood where Minneapolis Police killed George Floyd and know it well. I can also testify to the longstanding complaints many Minneapolis residents, particularly people of colour, made about the police.

In June 2018, CDAS's annual conference was on the Politics of Death, and it's important to flag up how many of that conference's presentations discussed precisely the death politics involved in George Floyd's murder. The 2018 conference was exceptionally important for death studies as a field, I think, and demonstrated the ways in which all of us who work in death and dying can offer overlooked insights when it comes to understanding how one-man's unjustified killing by state authorities can lead to mass global protests.

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Take care of yourselves. And keep sending in the material for the COVID-19 webpage.

CDAS COVID-19 Resources, Events and Updates

Our <u>Centre for Death and Society (CDAS) team members</u> curate a monthly collection of resources relating to the effects of Covid-19 on death and society.

We include guidance relating to Covid-19 for:

- grief and bereavement support;
- funeral practices;
- social policy implications.

These resources are both written work produced by CDAS staff and general information on Covid-19 from other organisations. All the resources will be listed on our website here, and the most recent month's will also be shared in the newsletter.

June 2020 Covid-19 Information

Publications

Woodthorpe, Kate., <u>How the power to delay death has allowed inequality to</u> flourish. *The Conversation*

Fang, C., <u>Understanding bereavement support in response to Covid-19</u>. *University of Glasgow*

The Cremation Society website: <u>Covid-19 news, updates of legislation and guidance</u>

Haydar, A., et al: <u>Palliative care utilization among patients with COVID-19 in an underserved population: A single-center retrospective study</u>, *Journal of Pain and Symptom Management*

Anand, P., Sharpless, J.: <u>The pandemic is changing how we die – and not just for COVID-19 patients</u>, *Time Magazine*

Borgstrom, E.,: <u>How Covid-19 challenges our notion of a good death</u>, *Open University*

Borgstrom, E.,: <u>Social death during the COVID-19 pandemic: examples and what we can do about it</u>, *Open University*

Visser, R.,: Covid-19 shows that we need to rethink dying at home, Open University

Event Information

ONLINE ROUNDTABLE

REMOTE, RESTRICTED, & REDESIGNED

FUNERALS IN THE TIME OF CORONAVIRUS

15 JUNE 2020 | 6:00 pm AEST/ 9:00 am GMCT



Join scholars and death care workers to discuss how funerals have changed under COVID-19 and what this means for the future of death.

The COVID-19 pandemic not only represents a serious threat to human life and livelihoods, it has transformed experiences of death, grief, and memorialisation around the globe. Social distancing orders have upended cultural and religious traditions of mourning by restricting interaction with

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the deceased, attendance at funerals, and grave visitation at cemeteries. Simultaneously, communities have found creative responses to these restrictions through new rituals and new uses of technology. The ongoing implications of this period of disrupted death are only beginning to be understood.

This roundtable will bring together death scholars and practitioners with experience working with different communities in Australia, the UK and US, to share how funerals have changed under coronavirus, and to discuss what this might mean for the future of death. Points for discussion include:

- How have funeral directors and celebrants navigated public health restrictions and responded to public expectations?
- What has been people's experience of live streaming or video recording funerals?
- How will the experience of COVID-19 change people's interactions with the death care sector?
- Which COVID-19 death care practices, if any, will persist into the post-pandemic "new normal"?

Register for the online webinar <u>here</u>.

Details for the streaming link will be sent out the day before the event.

The Host

The roundtable is hosted by the **DeathTech Research Team**, a group of anthropologists, social scientists, and human-computer interaction specialists based at the University of Melbourne working to understand the intersection of death, technology, and society in the 21st century. DeathTech have led a collaborative effort to gather stories of death during the COVID-19 pandemic at the following online platform:

https://padlet.com/hannahgould/deathduringcorona.

deathtech.research.unimelb.edu.au

@deathtechteam

The roundtable will be moderated by **Dr Hannah Gould**, a cultural anthropologist and ARC Research Fellow with the DeathTech Research Team. Hannah conducted her doctoral fieldwork on the life and death of memorial technologies within the Buddhist death care sector in Japan, and now studies alternative disposal technologies and the future of Australia's cemeteries. www.hannahgould.com

@hrhgould

Roundtable Participants

Mariam Ardati is a Funeral Director, Consultant and Educator based in Sydney. For the past 12 years, Mariam has dedicated her time as both a

volunteer and care consultant for a number of funeral services, where she performs the funeral rites in accordance with Islamic tradition, provides spiritual and practical care to the grieving, and assists families through the coroner's court and its processes. Mariam holds a Health Sciences degree (Health Information Management) from the University of Sydney and is a Director and Consultant at Sakina Funerals.

Stephanie Longmuir is an End of Life Celebrant, Podcaster and Consultant. She has been serving the families of Melbourne and Sydney since 2009, creating unique and meaningful services. Determined to better prepare and inform families, in 2015 Stephanie founded myendnotes.com Australia's first digital funeral planning service and in 2017 she launched a podcast series, Dying to Tell in collaboration with Melbourne radio station Joy 94.9. She is a skilled writer and speaker and has been invited by ICCFA, NFDA and AFDA to present at their annual conferences.

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Dr John Troyer is the Director of the Centre for Death and Society at the University of Bath. He is a co-founder of the Death Reference Desk website, the Future Cemetery Project and a frequent commentator for the BBC. His new book Technologies of the Human Corpse was published by The MIT Press on April 28, 2020. He grew up in the American funeral industry.

https://johntroyer.com

- @DeathRef
- @FutureCemetery
- @Cendeathsociety

Louise Winter is a funeral director and the founder of Poetic Endings, a modern funeral company in London. Her mission is to get people to really think about the importance of funerals. She believes that a good funeral can be transformational in helping us acknowledge and accept that someone has died. She's the co-founder of Life. Death. Whatever., a new approach to death and dying, showing how exploring our mortality really can change our lives. Her work has been featured in publications around the world. Her first book will be published by Bloomsbury in March 2021.

<u>www.poetic-endings.com</u> @poetic_endings <u>www.lifedeathwhatever.com</u> @lifedeathwhat

CDAS and IPR Covid-19 webinar series

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#BeforeTheirTime

COVID-19 is going to mean some people dying before their time, or funerals taking place without the usual opportunities to say goodbye. It's going to affect us in ways we're only just starting to understand, but we know it's more important than ever that everyone makes their plans.



To acknowledge this, Dying Matters have launched the **#BeforeTheirTime** campaign. As well as the hashtag, we will also be using the sunflower image shown, which <u>you can download if you wish here</u>. You can use the sunflower emoji on your phone if you are posting messages from there or want to send messages of solidarity. Please do follow along and contribute on social media.

These are unprecedented times and we want to hear from people their advice and suggestions about how to cope with difficult situations, such as not being able to say a proper goodbye to someone you cared about. If you have anything you wouldn't mind sharing, please contact <u>Stephanie</u>.



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Call for Papers, Information & Funding Proposals

<u>Public Health Research in Palliative Care: Towards Solutions for Global Challenges</u>

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Bereavement Network Europe call for information on dealing with bereavement during the Covid-19 pandemic

The Bereavement Network Europe (BNE) sees that the Corona virus epidemic requires an immediate and continuous response, and we would like to call on you for your support. We have started gathering resources regarding Covid-19 and bereavement and we will update the <u>BNE website</u> with resources as we receive them.

If you have any information for the bereaved or health professionals on how to deal with bereavement in the current situation from your European country, please do let us know by providing a link to it. All different languages are welcome. Please send it to the following two addresses: info@bereavement.eu and tgo@sorgcenter.dk

AHRC funding call - research & innovative ideas to address Covid-19

UK Research and Innovation recently launched an open call for research addressing the COVID-19 pandemic. AHRC is now inviting proposals through this call for arts and humanities approaches in the COVID-19 research response.

Full details about the call can be found here.

Nuffield Research Placements

The aim of the placements is to give these highly academically able students a taste of a career in research, and to give them confidence in their own ability to succeed with studies or a career in STEM areas. Placements are for students in year 12 at school/college, with students attending the workplace for 4-6 weeks to carry out their own mini research project and to produce a scientific report and research poster. Most student qualify for a Nuffield bursary while on placement, and are being supported by the Nuffield foundation with the IT requirements for such a project.

The Nuffield Foundation has taken the decision to make all placements virtual this summer, and to support them by a package of online leaning to upskill them for the experience (see further details below). We are looking for researchers at any stage of their careers who would like to mentor a student for short while this

summer. PhD students are particularly sought after for the opportunity.

If you would like to find out more about this, please see the details here and get in touch with either myself (scd33@bath.ac.uk) or my colleague Janine Bisson (nuffieldsouthwest@cornwall.gov.uk) at Cornwall Council as soon as possible.

CDAS NEWS

Early Careers Visiting Fellowship

Applications have been coming in for the NEW CDAS Early Career Visiting Fellow's Programme. This opportunity extends our programme of welcoming visiting scholars from around the world. Applicants must be an ECR in Death Studies (broadly defined) **without permanent employment** in a University.

To apply please send a one-page research proposal (no more) and a current CV to cdas@bath.ac.uk.

CDAS Community News

New article by CDAS Colleague Professor Rachel Forrester-Jones:

Forrester-Jones, R., et al: <u>Last months of life of people with Intellectual Disabilities</u>: a <u>UK population-based study of death and dying in intellectual disability community services</u>, *Journal of Applied Research in Intellectual Disabilities*

Events

Cremation and Burial Communication Education (CBCE)

29 June – 1 July 2020 (cancelled and rescheduled for 21-23 June 2021)

For more information, please visit our website.

Quaker Social Action - Funeral training for end of life professionals 10 September 2020

Funeral funding, costs and legalities, a professional's guide

A day course that will enable you to better support clients to avoid the debt and distress of high funeral costs. A collaboration with the National Bereavement Service, who will bring their expertise of the legalities around a death such as wills, executors, probate and legal representation. Find out more here.

Active Grief Weekend

25 – 27 September 2020, Manifold Farm, Derbyshire

Registrations for our next ACTIVE GRIEF WEEKEND are now open.

Run by and for the bereaved, these retreats are available to all who have suffered the death of a child of any age, from any cause and no matter how long ago. They are also extremely popular and we recommend early booking.

For more information, please visit our <u>website</u>.

<u>Suicide Bereavement UK's 9th International Conference 'Suicide</u> Bereavement: Using Our Collective Voice'

24 September 2020, Manchester

Suicide Bereavement UK and Pennine Care NHS Foundation Trust are collaborating for the 9th year running to host Suicide Bereavement UK's International Conference. This conference will focus on vulnerable subgroups amongst those bereaved by suicide and taboo issues directly associated with such deaths. Please note, over 400 people from 9 countries usually attend this annual event and it is always over-subscribed.

Registration is now open for the 2020 Conference. Programme and Speakers: TBC

Cost - £140 + Booking Fee + VAT - To book, please visit https://suicidebereavementuk.com/suicide-bereavement-conference



Postvention Assisting those Bereaved By Suicide

Dates released for September and November 2020 in Manchester

Postvention Assisting those Bereaved By Suicide (PABBS), one day training is evidence-based and evaluated suicide bereavement training and has been informed by a three-year study, conducted by Dr. Sharon McDonnell and her team, at the University of Manchester. Funded (£243K) by the National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) and the first of its kind internationally.

This training will help those implementing:

- the suicide prevention strategy (locally, regionally and nationally);
- developing postvention services;
- NICE postvention guidelines in the community and custodial settings; and
- key objectives in the NHS Long term plan etc

Dates released for PABBS one day training:

- 15th September 2020
- 17th November 2020

The research team have recently published four papers, which are directly associated with the PABBS training and can be viewed at https://suicidebereavementuk.com/pabbs-training and are noted below:

- 1. <u>GPs' Experiences</u> GP's experiences responding to and dealing with parents bereaved by suicide
- 2. <u>Parents' Experiences</u> Parents bereaved by suicide experiences and percieved support from primary care
- 3. <u>Evaluation</u> An evaluation of PABBS evidence-based suicide bereavement training
- 4. <u>Ambulance</u> Ambulance staff experience in responding to a (suspected) suicide and the bereaved family.

Over 150 testimonials: https://suicidebereavementuk.com/testimonials

Cost: £299 +VAT per person

Please note, we also deliver in-house training, upon request, across the UK.

For more information or to register contact: Paul Higham

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<u>Covid-19: Exploring Resilience, Recovery and Lessons Learnt</u> **Internationally**

Date: November 19th 2020

The Covid-19 seminar will focus on the impact on the following:

- Front line staff who worked during the Covid-19 pandemic;
- Patients who were hospitalised from Covid-19 and survived;
- Those who lost 'significant others' including colleagues to Covid-19; and
- Bereavement and rituals during a time of uncertainty and high risk.

Learning outcomes:

- International good practice associated with covid-19 response;
- Incident management (techniques to help stabilise the workforce, specifically management of staff and their well-being);
- Post Intensive Care Syndrome PICS (impact on the patient and their family); and
- Impact on staff (coping and managing risk, ethical dilemmas, and moral injury etc).

Who should attend this seminar?

- NHS management and policy makers
- · Medical and mental health staff
- First responders
- Social workers
- Those working in care homes etc.

Cost per person:

£59.99 +VAT (for those attending the Suicide Bereavement UK (SBUK) conference); and

£79.99 +VAT for those who do not attend the SBUK conference.

For more information https://suicidebereavementuk.com/covid-19-seminar

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<u>Public Health Research in Palliative Care: Towards Solutions for Global Challenges</u>

Online, 17 and 18 November 2020

Registration fee: €55

The Scientific Committee for the European Association for Palliative Care (EAPC) Public Health and Palliative Care Research Seminar planned for October in Belfast, has decided to postpone the event to **17 and 18 November 2020** and to hold this important event online.

The online programme, focusing on public health palliative care research, will be delivered at various time slots on Tuesday 17 November and Wednesday 18 November 2020, rather than two full days online. It will aim to ensure that the identity of the conference is maintained and that there will be plenty of opportunities for exchange, and for learning from each other.

The date for abstract submissions has now been extended to **Friday 24 July 2020,** please see the <u>following link</u> for more information.

More details on the conference can be found <u>here</u>.

We are looking forward to welcoming you to this important international event. It will be an opportunity for researchers, policy makers and clinicians from academic institutions, hospice and palliative care providers, government and health agencies and people with palliative care needs and their family carers, to come together, who are focused on developing solutions to inform and improve the delivery of palliative care globally.

<u>Palliative Care, Women's Health and Gynecology – Building Patient Care</u> for Prolonging the Life Span of Individuals

Rome, Italy – November 23-25, 2020

The Conference will be organized around the theme "Building Patient Care for Prolonging the Life Span of Individuals" Palliative Care 2020 anticipates more than 500 participants around the globe to experience thought provoking Keynote lectures, Oral & Poster presentations. This year conference will offer ample opportunities for all stakeholders working on Palliative Care to expose their research work. Our conference aims to gather the Researchers, principal investigators, experts, Professors and researchers working on Palliative Care from both academia and health care industry, Business Delegates, Scientists and students across the globe to provide an international forum for the dissemination of original research results, new ideas and practical development experiences.

Goals

- The conference program emphasizes evidence-based practice, educational innovation, practical application, and peer to peer networking and collaboration.
- The goals of the conference is to provide a transformative professional development experience through
- Bringing together the world's scientific experts to catalyze and advance scientific knowledge about Palliative Care to present the most recent research findings, and promote and enhance scientific collaborations around the world.
- Bringing together community leaders, scientists, and policy leaders to promote and enhance programmatic collaborations to more effectively address Palliative Care Research and Quality in Healthcare and overcome barriers that limit access to care and services.

Objectives

After participating in this meeting, attendees should be able to

- Discuss emerging issues in Palliative Care;
- Discuss and apply recent research findings related to Palliative Care;
- Disseminate the diverse voices of breakthrough innovators with visionary and practical solutions.

For more information please visit: https://palliative.alliedacademies.com/



<u>Attention all active' first responders</u>
Launch of Emergency Services Postvention Response (ESPR) Training

Andrea Walraven-Thissen and Dr Sharon McDonnell, from Suicide Bereavement UK have now launched an exciting and new evidence-based Emergency Services Postvention Response (ESPR) training. This training is evidence-based, theory-driven one day workshop and has been informed by research, which explored the perceived needs of first responders responding to suicide, in several European countries.

An international study was specifically designed to inform the development of the ESPR training and ESPR is first of its kind internationally.

Aims of the training

- To provide 'active' first responders with knowledge and skills to respond effectively after a (suspected) suicide;
- To assist first responders in effective incident management;
- To empower and enable/promote resilience, when responding after suicide;
 and
- Improve the quality of both psychosocial and peer support services.

Target audience

• Only 'active duty' first responders are permitted to attend (e.g. police, ambulance, fire, air sea and rescue etc).

Training date: November 26th 2020 Cost per person: £299 + VAT

Venue: Royal Exchange Theatre, St Ann's Square, Manchester, M2 7DH https://suicidebereavementuk.com/emergency-services-postvention-response

ESPR in-house training is delivered upon request.

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We have established a platform to share accounts of how the COVID-19 pandemic is changing deathcare, including end-of-life and mortuary care, arranging funerals, and ongoing memorialisation. This information is of interest to us as part of research into death and technology in the 21st century led by the DeathTech Research Team at The University of Melbourne. We'd like to know what you are experiencing now – e.g. how are funerals happening, how are bodies being handled, what is different?

Please upload your reflections to the interactive map here. (https://padlet.com/hannahgould/deathduringcorona). To add a reflection, click on the large plus sign, select a location, and then add your

text. You can also email <u>deathtech-research@unimelb.edu.au</u> if you would prefer that we upload your contribution.

We're particularly interested in first-person accounts, reflections on new technologies being use and new rituals, and the emotional, professional, and social impact of these changes. You can include links to news articles, images, or videos. The researchers will also add published articles about death during COVID-19 to the map.

You can choose to upload anonymously if you wish. You can also choose to identify yourself and/or your company in the post. The location you set for the post can be as specific or general as you wish.

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Abstracts accepted will be published in the journal *Palliative Care and Social Practice*. The themes for the Public Health Research in Palliative Care: Towards Solutions for Global Challenges Research Seminar are as follows:

- Public Health Palliative Care Response to COVID-19 Coronavirus Pandemic and its consequences
- Compassionate communities
- Citizen death education
- Empowerment of people with palliative care needs, carers and citizens around palliative and end of life care, caregiving and bereavement
- Collaborations between health and social care professionals and family carers
- Health promotion around palliative care
- Bereavement End-of-Life care and bereavement care policies or public health interventions
- Population health models for palliative care around the world
- Issues of equity in palliative and end of life care and bereavement

Abstracts are invited which present research findings or methodological contributions on the themes identified above. Professionals from all disciplines, students and trainees are encouraged to submit. Abstract submission deadline is **Friday 24 July 2020 to info@aiihpc.org**. For further guidance on abstract submission please follow this <u>link</u>.

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This is a great opportunity to have your research published in Frontiers in Psychiatry, the fifth most cited open access journal in its field with an Impact Factor of 3.161. Led by Professor Stefan Borgward, it brings a 'bench-to-bedside' approach to communicate translational progress and innovations to clinicians, scholars and research scientists. The submission deadline is **07 November 2020.** To participate please visit the website.

As a contributing author, you will benefit from:

- high visibility with a freely downloadable e-book
- rigorous, transparent and fast peer review
- advanced impact metrics
- collaboration with other leading researchers around the world.

The Sustainable Dead

Call for book chapter submissions for The Sustainable Dead by Ruth McManus, Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Canterbury, New Zealand. Ruth is happy to have an informal chat with anybody interested in submitting a chapter to this collection – email ruth.mcmanus@canterbury.ac.nz

Abstract

While eco-lightbulbs, tiny homes and bans on single use plastic bags nibble at the edges of our profligate ways, ecological and social sustainability is beginning to profoundly challenge long-standing conventions in end-of-life care, grieving, bodily disposal and memorialisation. This collection brings together scholarship on the different ways that all the aspects of dying, death, and memorialisation are influencing and being influenced by the global turn to ecological and social sustainability.

About the Editor - Ruth McManus is Associate Professor of Sociology at the University of Canterbury, Christchurch, New Zealand. She researches on social aspects of death and dying, and is inaugural President of the New Zealand Society for Death Studies. Her current projects include disaster memorialisation and new technologies for body disposal. Her books include *Death in a Global Age* (2012), *Death Down Under* (Cambridge Scholars 2019), and *Exploring Society* (2019).

Keywords

global crisis; ecological sustainability; social sustainability; cadaver disposal; memorialisation; end of life care; green cemeteries; eco-funerals

Chapter submission form

http://cambridgescholars.com/edited_collections/sustainable-dead-chapter-submission.docx

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