



## **Winchester Bereavement Support -Volunteer Supervisor - Role Description**

### **About the charity:**

Winchester Bereavement Support is a registered charity, established in 1982. It offers a confidential support service to bereaved people in Winchester and the surrounding area. Support is given through home visits or a mixture of home visits and remote working by carefully selected and trained Bereavement Visitors. There is no charge for using the service. WBS is an independent, totally voluntary organisation, with no ties to either statutory bodies or local churches.

### **Our Volunteer Supervisors:**

Supervision is offered via monthly meetings, lasting typically one and a half hours, for a group of not more than six supervisees. Supervisors are also asked to provide emergency telephone consultation between supervision sessions if required. This is a volunteer role and as such is unpaid, although travel and other reasonable expenses are reimbursed.

Supervision meetings are held at a time and place that is convenient for the individual Supervisor.

The aim of supervision is to provide a safe environment for the Bereavement Visitor (supervisee) to explore and learn from the interaction between themselves and the client. It should provide support and guidance for the supervisee in their work with clients, while maximising competence and enhancing job satisfaction. It should also enable the supervisee to take an objective view of the work and be a means of ensuring that the support offered to clients is appropriate to their needs. Participation in regular supervision is mandatory for all active Bereavement Visitors.

All Supervisors are supported by attendance at monthly meetings with the Senior Supervisor.

### **Requirements:**

Supervisors must be:

- Qualified and experienced counsellors or therapists with at least three years' post-qualification experience and BACP, UKCP or HCPC registration

Ideally Supervisors should also:

- Have experience of bereavement counselling
- Have experienced group supervision (whether leading or participating)
- Have experience of working in the charity or voluntary sector
- Be able to offer a minimum commitment of 24 months
- Have experience of supervising groups.

### **To apply:**

Please send a CV showing how you meet the requirements of the role via email to:  
secretary@wbs.org.uk