

Maine Local Meetings

Group meeting	Contact
Bereaved Parents of the USA-Southern Maine Chapter	www.bpsmaine.bpchapter.org
Empty Arms-Pregnancy and Infant Loss Support Group- Support for parents grieving pregnancy or infant loss.	https://www.emmc.org/Childbirth-Education/Classes/Empty-Arms.aspx
Maine Grief Support Centers (Listed by County)	https://www1.maine.gov/suicide/docs/Survivor-Kit/GriefSupportCentersList.pdf

Bereavement Resource Links

Name of Organization	Organization Offerings	Link
AMEND – Aiding Mothers/Fathers Experiencing Neonatal Death	The main purpose of AMEND is to offer support and encouragement to parents having a normal grief reaction to the loss of their baby.	http://www.amendgroup.com/about.html
Bereaved Parents of the USA	Bereaved Parents of the USA was founded in 1995 by a group of bereaved parents from across the country to offer support, understanding, encouragement and hope to fellow bereaved parents, siblings and grandparents after the death of their loved one.	http://bereavedparentsusa.org/
Bereaved Parents of the USA-Southern Maine Chapter	Non-profit, self-help, support group for parents, grandparents and adult siblings who have suffered the death of a child, grandchild, or sibling.	http://www.bpsmaine.bpchapter.org/HTML/Home.htm
Center For Loss in Multiple Births	Provides parent-to-parent support for all who have experienced the death of one or more of our twins or higher multiple birth children at any time from conception through birth, infancy and early childhood.	http://www.climb-support.org/index.html
Compassionate Passages, Inc.	Resources for families experiencing pediatric end-of- life care.	http://compassionatepassages.org/site/
First Candle -helping babies thrive and survive	Nationwide program with grief services and local services	http://www.firstcandle.org/grieving-families/grief-resources/local-support/
Glow in the Woods	Online forum and support	http://www.glowinthewoods.com/

Grief haven	Providing support and resources to parents and others who have lost a child	http://www.griefhaven.org/index-firstpage.shtml
HAND- Helping After Neonatal Death	Support services and resources for bereaved families	http://handsupport.org/
Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County	Bereavement Resources for Adults about Children and Families. Hospice Volunteers of Hancock County seeks to enhance the lives of those experiencing life-limiting illness and grief and loss by providing quality, cost-free compassionate support and comfort.	http://www.hospiceofhancock.org/services/lending-library/45-bereavement-resources-for-adults-about-children-and-families
March of Dimes	Pregnancy/Newborn Loss Services: Help dealing with grief, coping with friends and family while grieving, what parents can do to remember their baby, bereavement materials, miscarriage, stillbirth, infant loss awareness and information, online resources/community, Centering Pregnancy, NICU Family Support.	Maine website: http://www.marchofdimes.org/maine http://www.marchofdimes.com/baby/loss_neonataldeath.html
Miscarriage Support Auckland Inc.	Resources for those who have experienced, or are supporting someone who has miscarried.	http://www.miscarriagesupport.org.nz/
MISS Foundation- a community of compassion and hope for grieving families	International volunteer based organization providing C.A.R.E. [counseling, advocacy, research, and education] services to families experiencing the death of a child.	http://missfoundation.org/a-child-died-what-do-i-do.html
Missing GRACE – pregnancy loss and support services	Provides support, resources and education for families and professional care providers when there is loss of a baby, infertility or adoption challenges.	http://www.missinggrace.org/pages/home
National Alliance for Grieving Children	Promotes awareness of the needs of children and teens grieving a death and provides education and resources.	https://childrengrieve.org/
SIDS America	Resources for families who have experienced a loss due to Sudden Infant Death Syndrome.	http://sidsamerica.org/
The Association of SIDS and Infant Mortality Programs- ASIP	ASIP works to build and maintain a high standard of bereavement services and promotes collaboration within the professional community. ASIP participates in legislative and government activities and infant mortality research initiatives.	http://www.asip1.org/
The Colby Fund	Baby Alligator Tears Annual Walk to Remember in Maine	http://www.babyalligatortears.com/
The Compassionate Friends -Local Maine Chapter	Nationwide program with local support group in Lewiston. Support services and bereavement packets available.	https://www.compassionatefriends.org/chapter/tcf-of-lewiston-maine/

<p>The Compassionate Friends-supporting family after a child dies</p>	<p>TCF has nearly 700 chapters serving all 50 states that offer friendship, understanding, and hope to bereaved parents, siblings, grandparents, and other family members during the natural grieving process after a child has died.</p>	<p>https://www.compassionatefriends.org/</p>
<p>Through the Heart-pregnancy loss support and education</p>	<p>Nationwide program that offers support and comfort kits. The mission of Through the Heart is to educate and support anyone who is experiencing a pregnancy loss either directly or indirectly.</p>	<p>http://www.throughtheheart.org/</p>
<p>Unspoken Grief</p>	<p>Mission is to build and support a community of individuals and families who have been touched directly or indirectly by miscarriage, stillbirth and neonatal loss. Working together to remove the stigma of perinatal grief by sharing stories and increasing awareness of the lasting effects of perinatal loss.</p>	<p>http://unspokengrief.com/</p>