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Speaker Biography

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Marilyn has worked in palliative care since the early 1980s and has a wide experience of working with volunteers, research, education and management. As well as setting up one of the first UK hospice bereavement services, she is also a founder of SeeSaw (for bereaved young people in Oxfordshire). She has been involved in a number of bereavement studies gaining her PhD for an evaluation of the effectiveness of volunteer bereavement support workers.



As Head of Education at Sobell House, Marilyn led a number of projects and gained a partnership award for her work with family care givers and with community groups. Currently she manages the Sobell House Bereavement Service, is an editor of the journal Bereavement Care, chairs the Oxfordshire Bereavement Alliance and is a member of both the UK Help the Hospices Care Expert Advisory Group and the Oxfordshire End of Life Care group.