



Manchester Psychoanalytic Development Trust Conference 2026
Life and Death: Loss and Mourning Across the Life Cycle
Saturday 11 July 2026

Conference Timetable

08.45-9.15	Registration
09.15-9.30	Welcome & Introduction Conference Chair - Todd Hinds
09.30-10.30	The First Absence: How an Infant's Early Loss Resonates Across a Life Pauline Lee
10.30-10.45	Short break
10.45-11.45	The Irrepressible Brightness of Spring: Life, loss and loneliness in a Looked After Adolescent Boy Becky Hall
11.45-12.00	Chair - Comments and questions
12.00-13.00	Lunch
13.00-14.00	Psychic Reality and the Problem of Mourning Sharon Numa
14.00-14.30	Break
14.30-15.30	The Idea of Progress and the Inability to Mourn Paul Hoggett
15.30-16.00	Plenary: Chair and Speakers
16.00	Chair: closing remarks and finish

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