

Research Invitation

Voicing Loss: Meanings and Implications of Participation by Bereaved People in Inquests

The [Institute for Crime & Justice Policy Research](#) (Birkbeck, University of London) and the [Centre for Death & Society](#) (University of Bath) are conducting research into bereaved people's experiences of inquests. We are particularly interested in finding out to what extent, and in what ways, bereaved people feel able to participate in inquests and the wider process of coronial investigation. This is an independent study, funded by the Economic & Social Research Council.

The research team would like to talk to bereaved people who have attended an inquest since 2013; people who work in coroners' courts (including coroners, coroners' officers and legal practitioners); people who have given evidence at an inquest in a professional capacity since 2013; and members of support organisations.

Participants will be asked to reflect on their experiences of inquests and the role of bereaved people in the coronial process. You can find out more about the project at this link: <https://www.icpr.org.uk/voicing-loss-meanings-and-implications-participation-bereaved-people-inquests>

What should I do if I want to be involved?

- You can be involved by taking part in a research interview (face-to-face or remote) or writing an account of your experiences.
- Please contact Dr Hannah Rumble hr306@bath.ac.uk or Professor Jessica Jacobson j.jacobson@bbk.ac.uk to ask about getting involved or to receive more information about the study.

This research has received been approved by Birkbeck's College Ethics Committee (ref. 10.1.22) and the University of Bath's Social Science Research Committee (ref. S22-018).