**Why Is Providing Support for Clients and Families in Grief Important?**

* Helping clients and families to establish and reach individualized goals during the grieving process has a positive impact on the quality of life
* Early and appropriate interventions reduce clients’ and families’ risk for complicated grief

(Below is a “Bereavement Progress Referral Note” template to be used for this week’s assignment.)

Bereavement Progress Referral Note

**Referral for**: (student’s choice of family member)

**Date of the Exam:**

**Client’s name:**

**Client Diagnosis:**

**Client Status:** Descriptive, objective and subjective. This will include relevant information that is specific to the client.

**Mental Status Exam:** Full MSE/ include narrative MSE

**Social Circumstances/History:** Not limited to and should include Cultural, gender, age, etc..

**Current treatment Interventions:** Recommendations and rationale for referrals (psychotherapy and/or medication). Your progress note should describe how you helped the client implement learning in daily life and how you helped them find ways to adjusted routines and strategies when needed.

**Client’s Goals:** Your progress note should clearly state the outcome(s) for the client, further recommendations and relate the outcome(s) to the reason for intervention(s).

**Local and National Resources:** Provide a list of resources.