



NACEL 2026: Essential Bereavement Survey Questions

Essential data – NACEL 2026 Bereavement Survey	
Questions	Answer options
About the care received	
Q3. The person was given enough pain relief.	Strongly agree Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Strongly disagree Not applicable
Q4. The person had enough relief of symptoms other than pain (such as nausea, breathlessness, or restlessness).	Strongly agree Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Strongly disagree Not applicable
Q5. The person had support to drink or receive fluid if they wished.	Strongly agree Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Strongly disagree Not applicable
Q10. Staff provided me with spiritual/religious/cultural support to meet my needs. (E.g. Were you offered support from an appropriate religious person? Were you asked about your visiting needs? Were your after-death rituals respected)	Strongly agree Agree Neither agree nor disagree Disagree Strongly disagree Not applicable – I don't have any spiritual/religious/cultural needs Not applicable – other
Q13. Overall, how would you rate the care and support given by the hospital to the person who died during the final admission?	Excellent Good Fair Poor
Q14. Overall, how would you rate the care and support given by the hospital to you and other close relatives or friends during the final admission?	Excellent Good Fair Poor
Demographics	
Q16. When did the death occur?	Before January 2026 January 2026 - March 2026 April 2026 - June 2026 July 2026 - September 2026 October 2026 - December 2026
Q17. What did the person who died regard as their ethnicity?	White: British White: Irish White: Any other White background Mixed: White and Black Caribbean Mixed: White and Black African



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	Mixed: White and Asian Mixed: Any other mixed background Asian or Asian British: Indian Asian or Asian British: Pakistani Asian or Asian British: Bangladeshi Asian or Asian British: Any other Asian background Black or Black British: Caribbean Black or Black British: African Black or Black British: Any other Black background Other Ethnic Groups: Chinese Other Ethnic Groups: Any other ethnic group Prefer not to say
Q18. What do you regard as your ethnicity?	White: British White: Irish White: Any other White background Mixed: White and Black Caribbean Mixed: White and Black African Mixed: White and Asian Mixed: Any other mixed background Asian or Asian British: Indian Asian or Asian British: Pakistani Asian or Asian British: Bangladeshi Asian or Asian British: Any other Asian background Black or Black British: Caribbean Black or Black British: African Black or Black British: Any other Black background Other Ethnic Groups: Chinese Other Ethnic Groups: Any other ethnic group Prefer not to say