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# TWENTY-FIRST ANNUAL WISCONSIN COUNCIL ON PROBLEM GAMBLING STATEWIDE CONFERENCE

#### The Sounds of Healing Through Awareness, Education, and Prevention

NEW: Conference Kick-Off Keynote 3/18/20 from 3:30-5:00 pm - 1.5 CEUs!

- Our Twenty-First Annual Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Statewide Conference will be held on March 19-20, 2020 with a pre-conference on March 18 at the KI-Center/Hyatt Regency in Green Bay, Wisconsin. The Hyatt Regency has a limited number of rooms available on a first-come/first-served basis. Please call 800-233-1234 for reservations, which should be made prior to February 2, 2020, to be eligible for the conference rate of \$119.00 plus tax per night.
- Our Annual Conference offers up to 21.00 CEUs, which include Ethics and Clinical Supervision.
- Exhibit space is available for the 2020 Conference.
- This year we will NOT be mailing out the conference brochures. If you would like a copy mailed to you,
  please call or email us at 920-437-8888 or conference@wi-problemgamblers.org. We will have the
  conference brochure available on our website. Postcards will be sent.



Online Registration and payments are available.

See our website for details.

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### WCPG Gambling Disorder Phase 1-4 Training Offerings

DATE	TRAINING	LOCATION	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
January 23-24, 2020	Phase 3	WCPG Office	January 13, 2020
February 6-7, 2020	Phase 4	WCPG Office	January 27, 2020

For more information about this training program call: 1-920-437-8888.

Email: conference@wi-problemgamblers.org or go to our website: wi-problemgamblers.org

DATE	TRAINING	LOCATION	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
January 9-10, 2020	Phase 1	Comfort Inn & Suites, Madison Airport	December 27, 2019
February 13-14, 2020	Phase 2	Comfort Inn & Suites, Madison Airport	January 31, 2020
April 16-17, 2020	Phase 3	Comfort Inn & Suites, Madison Airport	April 3, 2020
May 14-15, 2020	Phase 4	Comfort Inn & Suites, Madison Airport	May 1, 2020

Following completion of the Phase 1 & 2 thirty hour training and education program, counselors will be ready to assess, screen and evaluate for gambling problems among their caseloads and among those who present for care. Following completion of the 60 hour training and education program, counselors will be prepared to work with families and significant others, special populations, present salient patient education topics to clients and families, prepare court reports, assist with complete asset protection plans and use an array of clinical strategies focusing on impulse control and self-regulation interventions in the treatment of gambling problems, etc.

DATE	TRAINING	LOCATION	REGISTRATION DEADLINE
April 23-24, 2020	Phase 1	Four Points by Sheraton, Milwaukee	April 10, 2020
May 7-8, 2020	Phase 2	Four Points by Sheraton, Milwaukee	April 24, 2020
September 17-18, 2020	Phase 3	Four Points by Sheraton, Milwaukee	September 11, 2020
October 22-23, 2020	Phase 4	Four Points by Sheraton, Milwaukee	October 9, 2020

### WCPG Gambling Intro Training - The Stakes Are High

Date: January 31, 2020 Location: Sheraton - Brookfield

Time: 8:00am - 3:00pm Cost: \$20 CEU Hours: 6

Visit our website at www.wi-problemgamblers.org for more information, online registration, etc.

The Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling, Drug Free Communities of Fond du Lac County, and Fond du Lac Area YScreen present:

4th Annual "Start the Conversation" 5K Run/Walk Let's start the conversation about addiction, mental health, and suicide. Saturday April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 at Lakeside Park, Fond du Lac, WI

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### FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

As 2019 begins to wind down, I want to thank everyone who has supported us throughout this year. To all of our financial supporters, we wouldn't be here without you and are forever grateful. To everyone that attended our 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference at Blue Harbor in March or one of our Phase 1-4 trainings throughout the year, thank you. To our WCPG Board members who give countless hours to committees and meetings, we are blessed. To our Call Responders who answer the Helpline, thank you for being there for our callers in crisis. Working together, we can continue to provide statewide services to anyone who is affected by problem gambling disorders. The staff at the WCPG says a million thanks to each and every one of you. We look forward to working with you in 2020 as we continue to provide services to those dealing with problem gambling disorders. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Rose Blozinski Rose Blozinski WCPG Executive Director



#### HOLIDAY LOTTERY RESPONSIBLE GAMBLING CAMPAIGN

Each year, NCPG and the International Centre for Youth Gambling Problems and High-Risk Behaviors at McGill University asks lotteries to support the responsible gambling campaign and help raise awareness regarding the risks of underage lottery play during the holiday season.

Whether or not it is legal for minors to participate in lottery games in your area, a responsible gaming message during the holidays is always welcomed.

The Campaign is endorsed by the <u>World Lottery Association</u>, <u>European Lotteries</u>, and the <u>North American</u> <u>Association of State and Provincial Lotteries</u>.

Over the past eleven years, participation has grown tremendously. In 2017, 55 lotteries in the U.S. and around the world supported the Campaign, and in 2018 100% of U.S. and Canadian lotteries participated. In an effort to continue to grow the Campaign we have made significant changes:



- Non-lottery organizations can now participate in the Holiday Lottery Responsible Gambling Campaign.
- Lotteries can opt to participate at one of three different levels of involvement. The higher the level of participation, the more Campaign activities you are asked to commit to.

## Participation in the Holiday Campaign is FREE!

Participants will have access to additional Campaign resources. We encourage you to reach out to your local problem gambling advocacy group or state health agency to partner with them in this effort.

Please see the National Council on Problem Gambling website for more information.

### Fall 2019 Newsletter

#### For help, call: 1-800-GAMBLE-5 or text 850-888-HOPE

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VOLUNTEERS SOUGHT: The WCPG is currently accepting volunteers. Anyone interested in donating their time and skills to the organization by helping with administrative projects is encouraged to contact us at (920)437-8888.

RESOURCE LIBRARY: The WCPG has both books and videos in our lending library. Materials can be loaned out on a two week basis. These materials can also be mailed to you. For more information, call Alta at (920) 437-8888 or e-mail her at: conference@wi-problemgamblers.org

The Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling, Inc. provides resources, public awareness and education on gambling disorders while maintaining strict neutrality on the issue of legalized gambling.

#### Our goals are to:

- Promote public education and awareness of gambling disorders.
- Maintain a toll-free statewide Helpline where people with gambling disorders and their families can call for immediate and
  continuing assistance in dealing with the addiction.
- Advocate quality assistance for all individuals affected by gambling disorders.
- Identify "high risk" individuals and groups with gambling disorders and provide prevention activities and information.
- Provide expert training to professional counselors in the treatment of gambling disorders.
- Compile and maintain a database of statistical information concerning gambling disorders in Wisconsin.