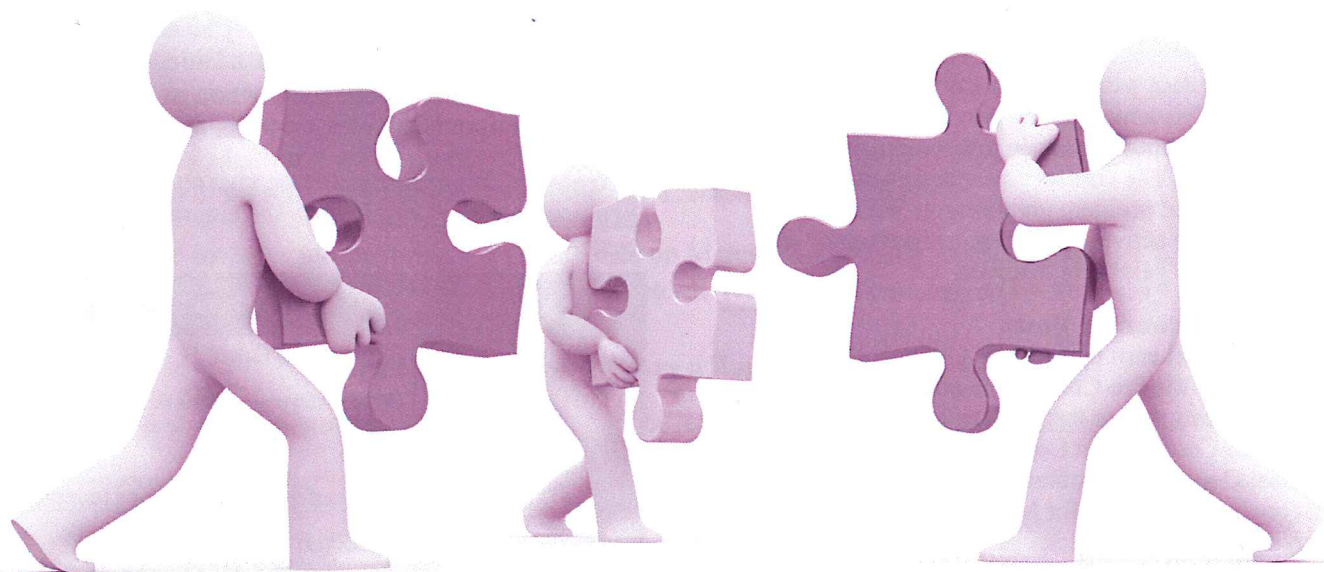


Eighteenth Annual Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Statewide Conference

“Working Together Towards a Better Tomorrow”

National Presenters from the Gambling, Substance Abuse, and Mental Health fields will provide presentations on co-occurring disorders, wellness, high risk groups, financial issues and treatment options as well as other related topics.
Special entertainment following the Awards Banquet qualifies for 0.75 CEU hours.



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4 CEUs**

**Earn up to
26.75 CEUs**

**Clinical
Supervision
Track 6 CEUs**

**The Osthoff Resort, Elkhart Lake, WI
March 23-24, 2017
(Pre-Conference on March 22)**



Who Should Attend?

- ◆ Persons involved in problem gambling research, treatment and/or prevention
- ◆ Criminal Justice Personnel
- ◆ Employee Assistance Personnel
- ◆ Mental Health Professionals, Social Workers and Addiction Counselors
- ◆ Human Resource Personnel
- ◆ Elected and Non-Elected Tribal Officials
- ◆ Elected State and Municipal Officials
- ◆ Gaming Industry Personnel
- ◆ Educators and Students
- ◆ Clergy
- ◆ Problem/Compulsive Gamblers
- ◆ Friends and Family Members of Problem/Compulsive Gamblers

Why Should You Attend?

The Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling, Inc. Statewide Annual Conference is a wonderful opportunity to bring together a great variety of people who have contact with problem gamblers in Wisconsin. This annual event provides connections to some of the leading experts in the compulsive gambling field. The conference is designed for anyone concerned about problem gambling in Wisconsin, including those active in treating, preventing or researching the gambling disorder.

Continuing Education Units:

Participants can earn up to **26.75** CEUs with attendance to the Pre-Conference and Full Conference. CEU certifications are through the Employee Assistance Certification Commission (EACC), National Council on Problem Gambling (NCPG), Wisconsin Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (WAMFT) and Social Work (NASW). All participants will receive a certificate of attendance within 6 weeks of the Conference.

Scholarships:

A limited number of scholarships are available, including the newly formed Susan Hengst Scholarship for recovering gamblers and the Richard Stanchfield Scholarship. The deadline for scholarship applications is February 23, 2017. Scholarship applications are available on our website.

Exhibitor Information:

Individuals and organizations wishing to give their organization additional visibility within the problem gambling field may register as exhibitors. The deadline for registration is February 23, 2017. The cost for one table is \$175, which includes registration for one person to accompany your booth, and take part in conference workshops and meals during the event. Exhibitor applications are available on our website.

For additional information call 920-437-8888, email conference@wi-problemgamblers.org, or visit our website at wi-problemgamblers.org

Accommodations:

A limited number of rooms are available on a first-come/first-serve basis. Reservations should be made prior to Friday, February 23rd, 2017 to be eligible for the conference rate of \$99.00 (plus tax) per night. There is no guarantee if made after February 23rd. To reserve your room, call The Osthoff Resort at 855-876-3399 and refer to the 18th Annual Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Statewide Conference. All reservations must be guaranteed by credit card or advance deposit. The Osthoff Resort is located at 101 Osthoff Avenue, Elkhart Lake, WI 53020. Complete directions will be mailed with confirmation.

Registration Information:

Pre-Registration is required. If you plan to attend Ethics, you **MUST** check the Ethics box listed on the registration form to participate in the workshop.

A **\$25.00** administration fee will be charged for conference registration cancellations. Absolutely no cancellation refunds after **March 13, 2017**. For additional brochures, directions, accommodation information, or any other additional information, please contact the WCPG.

Presenters' Biographies: Please visit our website at wi-problemgamblers.org to view the biographies of our presenters.

Wednesday, March 22, 2017

8:00 am-5:00 pm	Registration Open
9:00-10:30 am	Pre-Conference Workshops
10:30-10:45 am	Break
10:45 am-12:00 pm	Pre-Conference Workshops (continued)
12:00-1:00 pm	Lunch (on your own)
1:00-2:15 pm	Pre-Conference Workshops (continued)
2:15-2:30 pm	Break
2:30-4:30 pm	Pre-Conference Workshops (continued)

9:00am - 4:30pm Pre-Conference Workshop

- **Leadership 2.0: An Advanced Workshop for Supervisors in the Behavioral Health Field**

Mark Sanders, LCSW, CADC, On the Mark Consulting, Chicago, IL

In this workshop you will learn strategies that will help you take your leadership skills to the next level. A partial list of topics includes: 10 Things that Great Leaders Do; Evaluating Your Effectiveness as a Leader from Appointments to Transcendence; How to Hire and Retain Talented Addictions Professionals; 10 Strategies for Increasing Morale in Addictions Settings; The Supervisor as Team Builder; and The Role of the Leader in Helping Addictions Counselors Implement Evidence-Based Practices.

New! Motivational Interviewing Track

Facilitator: Scott Caldwell, MA, CSAC, member Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers, Wisconsin Department of Health Services in the Division of Care and Treatment Services, Madison, WI

Motivational Interviewing (MI) is a popular and well-established evidence-based practice with important application to problem gambling. This MI Track draws upon innovations in implementation science to assist practitioners to begin learning MI with fidelity and utilizing a protocol in everyday practice.

The following learning components are **REQUIRED** for successful completion of the MI Track:

- Complete a pre-conference reading and written exercises (3 hours). Participants will complete and submit the written assignments by Thursday, March 16
- Attend pre-conference workshop on March 22, 2017 (6 hours).
- Attend all MI Track workshops during the conference March 23-24 (3.75 hours x 2 days = 7.5 hours). These workshops will be scheduled to run concurrently with other workshops so that MI Track participants will be able to attend Keynote presentations.
- Participate in four (4) 1-hour monthly conference calls (April, May, June, and July) with the facilitator for implementation coaching following the conference (4 hours).

By completing all learning components of the MI Track, you will earn up to 20.5 CEUs. Certificates for earned CEUs will be sent after completion of the MI Track in July of 2017.

Registration fee includes meals during the Conference on March 23-24, CEUs, Awards Banquet, and an MI skills workbook. Registration for conference attendance in the MI Track **must** be received by **February 23, 2017**.

Register today as there are a limited number of slots.

Once registration is received, an email will be sent to you with more details and instructions.
Please include your email address on the registration form.

The WCPG's public awareness campaign is funded in part by the Wisconsin Department of Health Services, Division of Care and Treatment Services.

The Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling would like to thank Ho-Chunk Gaming Wisconsin and Potawatomi Hotel & Casino for their ongoing support.

Workshops Available Thursday and Friday

The following is a list of the workshops and their descriptions that will be presented throughout the Conference. The scheduled times will be listed on the following pages.



- **Principles and Beliefs in the Practice of Ethics**

Jerry Bauerkemper BS, CCGC, Nebraska Council on Compulsive Gambling, NE

Understanding the purpose and process of ethics in a counseling setting is both essential and helpful in maintaining a successful counseling practice. This training will provide the participant with the reason for ethics and a hands-on approach to using ethical practices in the daily practice of counseling. This is essential for all counselors, new and experienced, to learn or refresh their understanding of the ethical boundaries, constraints and value of ethics in counseling.

Ethics will be presented throughout Thursday's workshops only. You must attend all 3 sessions to get full credit. If you plan to attend Ethics, you MUST check the Ethics box listed on the registration form to participate in the workshop.

- **Determining the Extent of College Age Participation in Daily Fantasy Sports Gambling**

Jerry Bauerkemper BS, CCGC, Nebraska Council on Compulsive Gambling, NE

A substantial number of college age students engage in Fantasy sports and a smaller but still significant percentage of college age students show a greater risk for problem gambling. Utilizing a survey format the study compares and contrasts a similar study completed in Iowa. *Friday Only*

- **Helping Gamblers Find Debt Reduction Options and Get Their Budget On Track**

Dana Berger, Certified Consumer Credit Counselor, FISC Financial Information and Service Center, Menasha, WI

This presentation will go through some of the options available to individuals and families who have suffered financially as a result of gambling. Victims of gambling addiction and those closest to them often do not know what is available. Options discussed will be debt solutions such as: Snowball Method, Debt Management Plans, negotiating debt, Section 128 and bankruptcy, as well as how to build a sound budget moving forward.

- **Talkin' 'Bout My Generation: Generational Differences in Gambling and Why They Matter**

Don Feeney, MPP, MS, Minnesota Lottery, Roseville, MN

When a person was born has much to do with their beliefs and attitudes about gambling. Today's seniors grew up in an era of gambling prohibition while the millennial generation came of age at a time when new technology allowed them to gamble in ways older generations could not conceive. Yet our responsible gambling programs, as well as problem gambling awareness and treatment, are very much one size fits all. This presentation will explore the formative experiences of each generation, present data showing generational differences in gambling behavior and attitudes, examine the diversity present within each generation, and conclude with a discussion of how responsible gambling programs can best be adapted to suit the needs and experiences of each generation.

- **Groups: Therapy, Recovery, Support, and Fun**

Jim Harrison, BS, MS, LPC, CSAC, ICGC-II, BACC, Cornerstone Counseling Services, Milwaukee, WI

This workshop is designed to discuss and share the dynamics, composition, activities and facilitation of groups as a therapy tool. Topics to be discussed are: the purpose of groups, composition of groups, how to select group topics, group rules and ethics, and the mechanics of group presentation and facilitation.

In addition to discussion, workshop participants will have the opportunity and privilege to take on the roles of group facilitators and group members in actual group settings.

The workshop will begin with a general discussion on group composition, format, dynamics, and ethics. It is designed to introduce group facilitation.

The session will continue, highlighting counseling techniques, strategies, and potential problems that may arise in a group and how to handle and deal with these problems and issues. This will be a more in-depth approach to group presentations and facilitations.

The final portion of the workshop will incorporate what was previously discussed into practical application and role-playing activities. Session members will take on the roles of group facilitators and/or group members.

This workshop is in 2 parts; Part 1 on Thursday and Part 2 on Friday.

- **"Pleasure Unwoven" An In-Depth Look at the Debate Over Whether or Not Addiction Can Really Be Called a "Disease"**

Marc Lefkowitz NCGC I, Algamus Gambling Treatment Services, Prescott, AZ

Is addiction a brain disease or just a bad choice? This workshop will present the video "Pleasure Unwoven" by Kevin McCauley. Dr. McCauley uses the Utah landscape as a metaphor for the brain. The workshop relates neuro-science and addiction to genetics, reward, memory, stress, and choice. The hour-long video on the brain disease hypothesis of addiction will be broken into segments. Following the video will be a discussion on the "choice argument" versus the "brain disease" models.

- **Gambling, Internet Gaming, and Fantasy Sports—Some Knowns With a Lot of Unknowns**

Kirk Moberg, MD, PhD, FASAM, Illinois Institute for Addiction Recovery, Peoria, IL

Humans have engaged in activities driven by randomness for thousands of years in order to communicate with deity. For the same period of time members of societies have enjoyed games of chance.

The development of technology and the Internet has resulted in gaming activities on a much grander scheme. The explosion of fantasy sports continues to leave all of us with questions regarding whether or not it qualifies as gambling and what the proper reaction should be taken by our society.

This presentation will cover the pre-history and history of gambling, probability and how misunderstandings of probability lead to the manifestations of the cognitive deficits seen in those with gambling disorder, the complex neurobiology, the differences between gambling disorder and internet gaming disorder in the context of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual – 5 and where fantasy sports fit into the whole picture.



- **All Stressed Out and No One to Choke**

*Karen Vadino, MSW, LPCC, OCPSII,
Youngstown, OH*

This stress management workshop is designed to help participants recognize stressors, become aware of their own personal stress level and discover some healthy, effective methods to reduce stress. Time management and humor are discussed as methods for effective stress management. Concepts presented in this workshop are applicable to all levels within an organization. The strategies discussed can provide appropriate interventions to help meet the needs of vulnerable adults. **Thursday Only**

Thursday, March 23, 2017

7:00 am-4:00 pm	Registration Open
8:00 am	Welcome
8:00-9:15 am	Keynote #1
9:15-9:30 am	Break
9:30-10:45 am	Workshops #1
10:45-11:00 am	Break
11:00 am-12:15 pm	Workshops #2
12:15-1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00-2:30 pm	Keynote #2
2:30-2:45 pm	Break
2:45-4:00 pm	Workshops #3
4:15-5:15 pm	Open GA and Gam-Anon Meetings
6:00-9:00 pm	Awards Banquet

8:00am: Welcome

- **Rose (Gruber) Blozinski, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling**

8:00am - 9:15am: Keynote

- **When the Presenting Problem is The Solution: Strategies for Engaging the Most Difficult to Reach Clients in Counseling: A Focus on Process and Chemical Addiction and Self Harming Behavior**

Mark Sanders, LCSW, CADC, On the Mark Consulting, Chicago, IL

Many clients view their presenting problems as the solution to their problems. These presenting problems can include: process addictions, chemical addiction, sexual acting out, cutting, destructive peer group affiliation, etc.

These behaviors serve as distractions and can numb the pain of the trauma, toxic shame, feeling overwhelmed, loneliness, isolation and mental illness. Resistance occurs and the clients are often difficult to reach because these behaviors actually work for a while. In this skill-building workshop you will learn 5 strategies for engaging difficult to reach clients within the first 5 minutes of contact; how to increase first session attendance by 30%; how to increase second session attendance by 66%; 22 engagement strategies; helping clients who view their presenting problem as their solution to make the argument for change; and how to increase client confidence that they can change.

9:30am - 10:45am: Workshops

- **Gambling, Internet Gaming, and Fantasy Sports—Some Knowns With a Lot of Unknowns: Kirk Moberg**
- **Talkin’ ‘Bout My Generation: Generational Differences in Gambling and Why They Matter: Don Feeney**
- **Motivational Interviewing Track: Scott Caldwell**
- **Principles and Beliefs in the Practice of Ethics: Jerry Bauerkemper**

11:00am - 12:15pm: Workshops

- **Groups: Therapy, Recovery, Support, and Fun. Part 1: Jim Harrison**
- **All Stressed Out and No One to Choke: Karen Vadino **Thursday Only**
- **Motivational Interviewing Track: Scott Caldwell**
- **Principles and Beliefs in the Practice of Ethics: Jerry Bauerkemper**

1:00pm - 2:30pm: Keynote

- **Gambling Disorder: A Lens Through Which to Understand the Rest of the Process Addictions**
Kirk Moberg, MD, PhD, FASAM, Illinois Institute for Addiction Recovery, Peoria, IL

Process, or behavioral, addictions are not nearly as well understood as substance use disorders. However, gambling disorder stands out as the best understood and bears many similarities to substance use disorders and other behavioral addictions. As such, it is an ideal “lens” through which to understand the other process addictions. This presentation will address the clinical and biological aspects of gambling disorder and compare and contrast the other behavioral addictions.

2:45pm - 4:00pm: Workshops

- **Helping Gamblers Find Debt Reduction Options and Get Their Budget On Track:** *Dana Berger*
- **“Pleasure Unwoven” An In-Depth Look at the Debate Over Whether or Not Addiction Can Really Be Called a “Disease”:** *Marc Lefkowitz*
- **Motivational Interviewing Track:** *Scott Caldwell*
- **Principles and Beliefs in the Practice of Ethics:** *Jerry Bauerkemper **Goes until 4:15pm*

Awards Banquet 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Special Presentation During the Awards Banquet:

Applause, Applause!: Karen Vadino

Sometimes the work we do can be difficult and seemingly never-ending. There is not always money in the budget for things like merit raises for those who are “good at what they do”. This is why it is crucial for us to recognize those whose dedication to the job helps all of us achieve our goals. To know you are valued, to be honored, to feel you are essential is the key to success. The positive feelings that come from being recognized are powerful tools leading to great results. We tend to repeat rewarded behaviors. It is so much easier to become engaged in your job when you know that your efforts are appreciated what you do really matters. Gratitude improves attitude!

Gratitude inspires great loyalty!

The power of recognition is one of the strongest forces motivating human beings. Recognition, appreciation and praise are powerful motivators.

Qualifies for 0.75 CEU hours

Friday, March 24, 2017

7:00 am-4:00pm	Registration Open
8:00 am	Welcome
8:00-9:15 am	Keynote #3
9:15-9:30 am	Break
9:30-10:45 am	Workshops #4
10:45-11:00 am	Break
11:00 am-12:15 pm	Workshops #5
12:15-1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00-2:30 pm	Keynote #4
2:30-2:45 pm	Break

8:00am - 9:15am: Keynote

- **It’s About the Money and Not About the Money.**
Marc Lefkowitz NCGC I, Algamus Gambling Treatment Services, Prescott, AZ

Money is the insatiable drug that feeds the gambler’s addiction. The workshop will begin with an overview of problem gambling and its unique relationship with money. It will continue with an interactive presentation discussing values and beliefs regarding money; forms used to determine adverse behaviors; how to assess current finances; and creating a simple budget and repayment plan. All financial forms will be distributed for future use.

9:30am - 10:45am: Workshops

- **Groups: Therapy, Recovery, Support, and Fun. Part 2:** *Jim Harrison*
- **Gambling, Internet Gaming, and Fantasy Sports—Some Knowns With a Lot of Unknowns:** *Kirk Moberg*
- **Motivational Interviewing Track:** *Scott Caldwell*

11:00am - 12:15pm: Workshops

- **Talkin’ ‘Bout My Generation: Generational Differences in Gambling and Why They Matter:** *Don Feeney*
- **Determining the Extent of College Age Participation in Daily Fantasy Sports Gambling:** *Jerry Bauerkemper **Friday Only*
- **Motivational Interviewing Track:** *Scott Caldwell*

1:00pm - 2:30pm: Keynote

- **Happiness: An Inside Job**
*Karen Vadino, MSW, LPCC, OCPSII
Youngstown, OH*

Happiness is very difficult to define. Although you can’t see, hear or touch it, everyone wants it. We all perceive happiness differently and we each pursue it in different ways. Problems arise when we look so far beyond and outside ourselves that we miss it when it does appear. This workshop will explore the internal sources of happiness, its reciprocal nature and the power associated with being happy. The contributions of attitude, giving and reframing will be discussed. Come learn to smile.

2:45pm - 4:00pm: Workshops

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Name: _____
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Pre-Registration Is Required.

Registration Checklist:

Please have the following completed for your Conference Registration:

- Completed application form
- Meal selection (**Regular/Vegetarian**)
- Awards Banquet attendance
- Ethics attendance (**check box below if attending**)
- Membership submission if desired
- Payment

I do not authorize the WCPG to publish my address.

EAP Continuing Education

Meals: Regular Vegetarian

AWARDS BANQUET: Thursday, March 23, 2017 6:00pm - 9:00pm

I will attend I will not attend \$30.00 Non-registered Banquet Guest

(The Full Conference and Thursday Only Rates include the Awards Banquet at no additional cost, but you must register ahead of time.)

RATES BEFORE: 2/23/17:

RATES AFTER 2/23/17:

Please check if you plan to attend Ethics:

- \$50.00 \$55.00 Pre-Conference ONLY (March 22, 9am-4:30pm) "Leadership 2.0: An Advanced Workshop for Supervisors in the Behavioral Health Field" - Mark Sanders
- \$195.00 \$220.00 Full Conference AND Pre-Conference Workshop "Leadership 2.0: An Advanced Workshop for Supervisors in the Behavioral Health Field" - Mark Sanders
- \$230.00 N/A Motivational Interviewing Track: Scott Caldwell (Pre-Conference and Full Conference) Must register by 2/23/17 to attend MI Track
- \$150.00 \$175.00 Full Conference Rate (NOT INCLUDING PRE-CONFERENCE)
- \$100.00 \$125.00 Thursday Only OR Friday Only (Please circle choice)

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**** All rates include breaks.**

**** Lunch included with Thursday and Friday registration.**

***** REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS MARCH 16, 2017 *****

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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.