



WISCONSIN COUNCIL ON PROBLEM GAMBLING

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Upcoming Webinars

Defining the Line: When is it Gambling? Presenter: Andrew J Schreier

Date: October 15, 2025 ~ 10:00am - 11:30am

With the rapid evolution of gambling formats and increasing accessibility through technology, it's more important than ever for professionals to understand how gambling behaviors manifest and when they cross the line into risky or problematic territory. This webinar provides a comprehensive overview of gambling and its many forms, explores emerging trends, and identifies how gambling often appears in professional settings such as healthcare, mental health, corrections, education, and social services. Participants will gain tools to recognize signs of gambling-related harm and learn strategies to support individuals who may be struggling, regardless of whether gambling is the presenting issue.

Youth Gambling and ADHD Presenter: Saul Malek

November 12, 2025 ~ 10:00am - 11:30am

With the rise in popularity of gambling over the past five years, it's no wonder that an increasingly large portion of the population is becoming addicted to gambling. Certain groups are at higher risk of developing a gambling addiction than others. One such group is individuals with Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). According to Atlantic Behavioral Health, between 10 to 20 percent of individuals with ADHD develop gambling problems. Saul Malek is one such person. Clinically diagnosed with ADHD as a young boy, Saul developed an addiction to gambling as a college student. Now abstinent from gambling for more than five years, he speaks around the country on his experiences. This particular training seeks to offer insight into the experience of living with ADHD and a gambling addiction, providing valuable firsthand experience to clinicians and community members.

Cost: \$15 per Webinar - 1.5 CEUs

For information & registration, please visit our website

<https://www.wi-problemgamblers.org/events/>



2025 FALL NEWSLETTER

From Gambling to Gambling Disorder – A Clinical Perspective Training

Presenter: Andrew J. Schreier, ICS, CSAC, LPC, BACC, ICGC-II

About the training:

Clinical professionals interested in obtaining ICGC-I or ICGC-II certification must complete 30 or 60 hours, respectively, of gambling-specific training and education. These training hours are a required component of the certification but do not constitute certification on their own. After completing the training (30 hours for ICGC-I or 60 hours for ICGC-II), participants are encouraged to begin the full International Certification process, which includes additional steps such as supervised experience, application submission, and examination.

These sessions are designed for those counselors who are or plan to be working with problem gamblers and their families in a variety of clinical settings. We welcome participants from the criminal justice field, the employee assistance field, the faith and pastoral care traditions, educators, the gaming industry, the recovering community and others to our programs. Though the information is designed for counselors to incorporate into their clinical practice we hope all of our participants, no matter who they may be, will learn about the effects of gambling disorder on the individual, family, and community and use the information to help those who fall into their own professional scope of practice. Completion of 30 hours of gambling-specific training education may allow participants to become eligible as a referral source for the WCPG's 1-800-426-2535 Helpline.

Following completion of Sessions 1 and 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. They will be ready to intervene in a crisis, assist in preparation of restitution plans, refer clients for appropriate levels of care, and begin the treatment planning process, etc. Following completion of the "From Gambling to Gambling Disorder – A Clinical Perspective", counselors will be prepared to work with family, significant others, and special populations. They will be able to 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 disorders, etc.

Continuing Education Hours:

Continuing Education for 15 hours each session has been applied for with the following: Association for Addiction Professionals (NAADAC), Employee Assistance Certification Commission (EACC), International Problem Gambling and Gaming Certification Organization (IPGGC), Wisconsin Association for Marriage and Family Therapy (WAMFT) and the National Association of Social Workers (NASW).

**DoubleTree by Hilton Milwaukee/Brookfield
18155 Bluemound Road, Brookfield, WI 53045**

Thursday: 8:00 am to 5:00 pm - Friday: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

(1 hour lunch both days—on your own)

Session 1—September 25-26, 2025—\$125

Session 3—January 8-9, 2026—\$125

Session 2—October 23-24, 2025—\$125

Session 4—February 5-6, 2026—\$125

Session 1 & 2 together at a discounted fee—\$175

Session 3 & 4 together at a discounted fee—\$175

All 4 sessions—Bundle and Save! - \$300

For information & registration, please visit our website at
<https://www.wi-problemgamblers.org/events/wcpgs-gambling-disorder-training-program/>

Scholarships are available



VIRTUAL OR IN PERSON LEARNING VIDEO FOR SCHOOLS



WCPG offers in class presentations on gambling disorders. This interactive presentation is designed to fit your class schedule. As with other addictions, our youth are at high risk to become addicted to gambling. We believe awareness, education, and providing them with the tools to recognize gambling disorders will help prevent future problems.

A video alternative is available if an in person presentation doesn't work for you. We recognize that nothing can compare with an actual person delivering a topical message. However, we believe that this video will educate, garner discussion, and serve as a basis of information on the risks of gambling for your students.

This video is 34 minutes long but provides several breaks to allow for as much in-class discussion as each teacher feels comfortable with. We placed these breaks in the video to allow for class participation. The PowerPoint slide will either pose a question or there will be a slide that says, "Take some time to discuss." During those times, we would encourage teachers to stop the video and discuss with the class. We are not asking the teachers to be experts in this field, and the subsequent slide will provide answers to those questions.

To set up a time to receive the video link or to set up an in-class presentation, please fill out the speaker/video request form on our website: www.wi-problemgamblers.org or call 920-437-8888.

Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling's 27th Annual Statewide Conference March 19th-20th, 2026 Pre-Conference March 18th



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