

**2013 National Conference on Problem Gambling
Presenter/Co-Presenter Bios - (As of 7/16/2013)**

Scott Anderson	Currently the Problem Gambling Coordinator for the State of Ohio. Have been involved in gambling treatment in the state for over 10 years. Active in planning and presentation of Stage One, Stage Two and Advanced Problem Gambling trainings for the State of Ohio. Currently working closely with the Ohio Lottery Commission and the Ohio Casino Control Commission to provide training, information and support to providers and other interested parties as the gambling landscape changes in Ohio. Continuously update resource guide for our 24 hour Helpline. Member of the National Council on Problem Gambling.
Iris Balodis Ph.D.	Over the past decade, Dr. Balodis has investigated the biology of addictions and disorders of impulse control.
Jeff Beck	Jeffrey M Beck, LPC, CCGC, JD, ABD is Assistant Director for Clinical Services, Treatment & Research at the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey. He is the New Jersey representative to the National Council on Problem Gambling and sits on the Board of Directors of the NCPG. He is past Vice-President of NCPG and past Chairman of the Affiliates Committee. He is Chairman of the National Problem Gambling Awareness Week Committee. Jeff is President of the American Compulsive Gambling Counselor Certification Board and Vice President of the Association of Professionals Treating Problem Gambling.
Susan Campion, NCGCII	Susan Campion is a State of Minnesota Gambling Treatment Provider, Nationally Certified Gambling Counselor II, and a Licensed Alcohol and Drug Counselor. She received her Masters of Science in Human Services. She has been providing support services to individuals and families for over twenty years. She has worked in a variety of environments, including inpatient, outpatient, and in private practice. Currently she works as an outpatient Gambling Treatment Provider at Fairview Recovery and as the Outreach and Training Manager for Northstar Problem Gambling Alliance.
Michael Campos Ph.D.	Dr. Campos is a program researcher at the UCLA Gambling Studies Program and a licensed clinical psychologist. He is also a member of NIDA's National Hispanic Science Network. He has worked in addictions research since 1999. He has published articles on acculturation, substance abuse problem risk, and mental health need among Hispanics in California's CalWORKs program in addition to co-authoring a number of gambling-related articles. Currently, Dr. Campos is working on understanding gambling and gambling treatment needs among Hispanics in California.
Terri Sue Canale	Terri Sue Canale began her career with the Department of Corrections 21 years ago. In 1999, Ms. Canale transferred to the Department of Justice, Division of Gambling Control, where she began working with the gambling industry. During her tenure with the Department of Justice, Ms. Canale received the Attorney General's Award for Excellence in 2000 and the Attorney General's Award for Excellence in Supervision in 2007. In November 2008, she was appointed Deputy Director of the California Office of Problem Gambling. She has focused on providing multi-cultural, multi-lingual problem gambling prevention and treatment services to problem gamblers and their families.
Mark Celio	Doctoral candidate in clinical psychology at Binghamton University (SUNY). Received a Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from the University of Massachusetts – Amherst in 2001, and a Master of Science degree in clinical psychology from Binghamton University (SUNY) in 2009. Currently completing pre-doctoral internship at Edith Nourse Rogers Veterans Hospital in Bedford, MA, with specialized training in treatment for addiction. Primary area of research interest focuses on addictive behaviors among adolescents and young adults, with expertise in field methodology used to investigate alcohol use and gambling in natural settings.
Heather Chapman Ph.D. NCGCII	Dr. Heather Chapman is Director of the Brecksville Gambling Treatment Program, and Deputy Director of the Veterans Addiction Recovery Center, Louis Stokes Cleveland VA Medical Center and Associate Professor of Psychiatry Case Western Reserve University. A clinical psychologist, she has conducted assessments, individual psychotherapy, and psychotherapeutic, psychoeducational, and support groups targeting problem and pathological gambling since 1997. She is a member of the Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers, and as such has developed groups specifically designed to enhance change for those struggling with problem and pathological gambling. Her current research interests include suicide and gambling, as well as personality and gambling, comorbidity, and treatment retention.
Kelly Chau	Kelly D. Chau is a Ph.D. candidate at Palo Alto University. She is the Associate Director at Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI). Kelly has worked in the behavioral health and addiction field since 2000. She is involved in the development and management of community-based programs that integrates research, addiction recovery services, and behavioral health services to promote healthy lifestyle, enhance functioning, and responsible gambling. Kelly is the chair of the Vietnamese Reach for Health Coalition. She actively collaborates with schools and community-based groups in Santa Clara County, promoting education, outreach and culturally and linguistically competent behavioral health services for

	unserved/underserved communities.
Cheryl Cichowski	Cheryl Cichowski is a Behavioral Health Prevention Specialist for the Maine Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services with 12 years of experience in the prevention field. She manages community prevention contracts, supports local prevention coalitions, organizes relevant trainings and provides technical assistance. Cichowski also manages the state's online contract monitoring system and the Substance Abuse in the Workplace programs. Previously, as an Associate Director of a community health coalition she managed all aspects of the SIG and SPF-SIG grants. Cichowski is a member of the SAMHS gambling services workgroup and conducts community presentations related to problem gambling.
Jennifer Clegg NCGCII	Jennifer Clegg is the Gambling Program Supervisor at Recovery Resources in Cleveland, OH. She has worked at Recovery Resources for the past 11 years. Jen graduated from Capital University with her Bachelor's of Social Work and Cleveland State University with a Master's in Social Work Jen is a Licensed Social Worker (LSW) as well as a National Certified Gambling Counselor (NCGC-II) and an Ohio Certified Prevention Specialist (OCPS-II). Jen's experience includes youth prevention services, alcohol and drug addiction services, mental health and gambling addiction services for individuals and families. Jen provides training on gambling addiction and prevention services across the state of Ohio.
Laura Clemens	
Jessica Cronce Ph.D.	Jessica Cronce is Acting Assistant Professor at the Center for the Study Health & Risk Behaviors in the Department of Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences at the University of Washington. She received her Ph.D. in clinical psychology from Yale University in 2009. Dr. Cronce has over a decade of experience conducting research on the etiology, maintenance, and treatment of addictive behaviors, in particular, alcohol use and problematic gambling among young adults. She is currently a board member and the current Secretary/Treasurer of the Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling.
David Dickinson	David A. Dickinson, MA, has 35 years experience in the field of behavioral health, working in clinical service delivery as a counselor, program manager, and agency director, as well as serving in leadership positions in State government in Kansas and Washington. His clinical career also included service delivery in California, Colorado, and Oregon. Prior to his position as SAMHSA Regional Administrator for HHS Region X, David served as the Director of the Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR) in the Department of Social and Health Services, State of Washington.
Mary Drexler	Mary Drexler is the Executive Director of the CT Council on Problem Gambling (CCPG). She is responsible for the day to day operations of the Council. Her duties include oversight of prevention programs and CCPG's Problem Gambling Helpline and Problem Gambling Live Chat, networking with community/state organizations, advocacy for gamblers and their families, and training. She is a member of the CT Women's Network, a group focusing on women and problem gambling, the CT Partnership for Responsible Gambling, a collaborative effort including the CT Council, the CT Lottery Corporation, and CT Problem Gambling Services, and the CT Coalition for Responsible gambling, which includes representation from all the gaming industry in CT, as well as the CCPG, and the CT Problem Gambling Services.. She has been in social services since 1979. She is a member of NCPG's Board of Directors and NCPG's Nominating and Helpline Committees. Mary holds a Masters of Social Work from the University of Connecticut School of Social Work.
David Elsbernd	David Elsbernd is an engineer for pacemaker manufacturer Biotronik. He has an associates degree in electronics and a Bachelor's degree in biology. When not working, Dave is an active member of Voices for Problem Gambling Recovery, volunteers for and runs in ultramarathons, and spoils his five grandchildren. Dave represents the alternate viewpoint of a non-gambler who nonetheless has been dealing with the fallout of another's gambling problems. As such he uses his hard-won knowledge of gambling addiction to speak out to whoever might listen, such as community groups and legislative committees. Dave feels his involvement in VPGR helps to give voice to the largely silent problem gambling community.
Mark Farrell J.D.	A 17-year veteran magistrate of therapeutic justice courts, Judge Mark G. Farrell of Amherst, NY, launched the nation's first Gambling Court in 2001. In addition to Gambling Court, Judge Farrell also presides over Amherst's Drug and Domestic Violence courts. Judge Farrell is a former member of the National Council of Problem Gambling's Board of Directors and currently serves on the Board of Directors of the New York State Drug Treatment Court Professionals Association and the New York State Compulsive Gambling Council. Judge Farrell is a member of the New York State City Court Judge's Association and is the current President of the New York State Magistrate's Association.
Don Feeney	Don Feeney has been research and planning director at the Minnesota State Lottery since 1991. He is responsible for the lottery's market research, policy analysis, corporate social responsibility programs, strategic planning, and legislative relations. Mr. Feeney currently serves as President of the National Council on Problem Gambling, and has been a member of its Board of Directors since 2002. His research

	interests include the relation between public opinion and gambling policy, public awareness of problem gambling, and gambling and popular culture. Don holds a master's degree in public policy from Harvard, a master's degree in statistics from the University of Minnesota, and a bachelor of science degree in applied mathematics from Brown University.
Daniel Felizardo	Daniel Felizardo, MPA, CDP is the Program Manager for the Puyallup Tribal Treatment Center as well as a process improvement coach working with tribal behavior health systems. He is a Chemical Dependency Professional in Washington State and member of the Northwest Tribal Problem Gambling Coalition. As program manager, he has worked to implement problem gambling treatment into an existing substance abuse treatment program while cultivating an increased community awareness of problem gambling. As a Coalition member, Daniel has collaborated with Northwest Tribes around program sharing, professional development, consultation, and cultivating a native voice.
Timothy Fong M.D.	Dr. Fong is an Associate Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA. Dr. Fong completed his undergraduate and medical school at Northwestern University in Chicago. He finished his residency in adult general psychiatry in 2002 and was the first accredited addiction psychiatry fellow at the UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute (2002-2004). He is the co-director of the UCLA Gambling Studies Program, the director of the UCLA Addiction Medicine Clinic, and director of the UCLA Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship. Dr. Fong's research interests include understanding pathological gambling, hypersexual disorders and behavioral addictions from a biopsychosocial perspective.
Joanna Franklin NCGCII	Joanna Franklin received her BS and MS degrees from Johns Hopkins University. She is the past president of the Maryland Council on Problem Gambling and has been treating gamblers and their families since 1979. Ms. Franklin has designed and delivered clinical training programs in 45 states, 10 Canadian provinces, among 31 Native American tribes and in 9 other countries. She has consulted and trained for the FBI, CIA, Pentagon, the Navy, and the Army. She has designed and implemented responsible gaming training for state lotteries, race tracks and casinos internationally. She has authored two book chapters for Harvard publications on family therapy and teen gambling, and published journal articles on problem gambling treatment.
Jose Garcia	Jose Garcia, CADC II, CGAC I Director of New Horizons Treatment Center Mr. Garcia has been a CADC I since 2002 and is also NCAC and CGAC. He has been a member of the Advisory board for Umatilla County Local Alcohol and Drug Planning Committee since 2003 and is a member of the Latino Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling for the State of Oregon. Mr. Garcia is the director of New Horizons Treatment Program in Hermiston, Oregon. He has performed extensive outreach to the Latino community in rural eastern Oregon for both gambling, alcohol and drug addiction problems. He is of Mexican ancestry and has resided in the U.S. the majority of his life.
Odelia Garcia	Criminal Justice and Chemical Dependency Counselor for Multnomah County Ms. Garcia started working as a chemical dependency counselor in 1992. She also worked for six years as a program supervisor, followed by three years as program co-director. Ms. Odelia moved from the private sector to Multnomah Co where she has been working almost eight years. She spent three years working in the Mental Health and Addiction Services Division and has worked the last 4.5 years with the Department of Community Justice. Ms. Garcia is a member of the Latino Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling for the State of Oregon.
Denise Gour	Denise Gour, LCSW – BIO Denise, a certified Mindfulness Based Relapse Prevention- MBRP therapist, established the first mindfulness for addictions program in Portland, Oregon for residents in Volunteers of America's women's addiction treatment facility in 2008. Encouraged by this program's success she continues to work with lead MBRP researchers, Sarah Bowen and Katie Witkiewitz in the adaptation and implementation of MBRP for problem gamblers in Oregon. An international trainer at universities and health care organizations, Denise regularly consults and trains professionals interested in integrating mindfulness into therapy for depression, anxiety, trauma, and addictive behaviors. You can learn more about Denise and her services at www.mindfulplace.com .
Maureen Greeley	Maureen has worked with and for the Washington State/Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling since 1998, becoming Executive Director in November 2006. Her commitment to expanding treatment services and awareness of Problem Gambling is demonstrated not just at ECPG, but in her service at state and national levels. At the national level, she is Co-Chair of the Standards, Policies, and Regulations Interest Group of the National Council on Problem Gambling. In Washington State, she serves as Vice-Chair of the Problem Gambling Advisory Council for the state's Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR). She also serves on the Washington State Arts Commission.
Mark Griffiths	Dr. Mark Griffiths is a Chartered Psychologist and Professor of Gambling Studies at the Nottingham Trent

Ph.D.	University, and Director of the International Gaming Research Unit. He has spent over 25 years in the field is internationally known for his work into gaming and gambling. He has published over 400 refereed research papers, three books, 70 book chapters and over 1000 other articles. He has served on numerous national and international committees and gambling charities (e.g. National Chair of GamCare, Society for the Study of Gambling, Gamblers Anonymous General Services Board, National Council on Gambling etc.). He has won ten national and international awards for his work including the John Rosecrance Prize (1994), CELEJ Prize (1998), Joseph Lister Prize (2004) and the US National Council on Problem Gambling Research Award (2009). He also does a lot of freelance journalism and has appeared on over 2000 radio and television programmes.
Carole Hardy	Carole Hardy has been involved with the gaming industry for over twenty five years, and has been a national advocate of responsible gambling since the mid-1990s. Carole served as the Director of Marketing for the Oregon Lottery and in that role led the creation of the first problem gambling ads produced by a US lottery and was key to the integration of responsible gambling outreach and education into the lottery's strategic and business plans. For the past five years, she has served as the Chair of the Oregon Council on Problem Gambling. She also owns a marketing consulting company specializing in new technologies, consumer research and communications.
Shirley Hoak	Shirley Hoak is a person in recovery for the past 11 years from a gambling addiction. She now works full-time as a case manager and peer counselor in the problem gambling field. She has also worked as a recovery peer specialist and advocate for older adults with co-occurring disorders. She is a Certified Addiction Recovery Coach certified by the Connecticut Certification Board, Inc. She now works at The Bettor Choice Program, The Connection, Inc., in Middletown and New Haven, Connecticut.
Bill Hofmann	William Hofmann's publication credits include books, articles, short stories, and scripts for short films and the stage. As a technical writer and freelance editor he has worked for the Boeing Company, Weyerhaeuser Corporation, and the Museum of Flight in Seattle, Washington. He recently completed writing and co-editing a two volume Chinese/English FAQ series on American life and culture for Foreign Language Press in Beijing, China. He has taught writing courses for the University of Washington, several community colleges, and the King County (Washington) Arts Commission.
Andreas Holmström	Andreas Holmström is currently is the CEO of Playscan and the founder of ICU Intelligence AB – the company which created the first Playscan™ system in 2007. It was later bought to create Playscan AB. Since completing a M.Sc in Computer Science at Chalmers University of Technology, and a M.Sc in Innovation and Entrepreneurship at Chalmers School of Entrepreneurship in 2006, Andreas has strived to allow gambling companies to raise the bar and take their business to the next level within corporate social responsibility. Among this, Andreas also contributes to raise awareness about RG-tools.
David Hsiao	My background is Chinese and pacific islander, I have worked in the counseling field since 2003, with a variety of agencies in Portland Oregon metro area. Including CODA, NARA (native American rehab association,) outside in (youth day program), Oregon partnership (suicide and referral helpline), Lifeworks NW(as clinical supervisor), later I worked for dual diagnosis program with choices counseling and Astoria pointe. I recently moved Oregon coast to work with Lincoln county behavioral health, as part of the health and human services, I work in chemical dependency and problem gambling, crisis on call and investigator for civil commitments. My goal is to continue seeing clients, maybe move up to supervisory or consultant work, also very passionate about teaching, training and interventions. My interests are team building, healthy communications, DBT skills, art therapy, seeking safety for dual diagnosis, self-care and strengths based supervision.
Amy Hsu	Ami Hsu-Lee is an ethnic Chinese from Vietnam. Mrs. Hsu-Lee speaks two dialects of Chinese: Cantonese and some Mandarin. She also speaks Vietnamese. Her Master of Social Work degree was earned at Portland State University. These skills have allowed her to work actively in the field of mental health. For the past fifteen years, she has been working for Oregon Health and Science with the Intercultural Psychiatric Program as multi-culture mental health therapist and director of intercultural support center. Her specialization interest is in major depression, post traumatic stress disorder, substance abuse prevention and problem gambling. She is passionate about her work and enjoys helping to facilitate positive change in the lives of people with whom she works.
Julie Hynes	Julie Hynes, M.A., CPS, Julie is a certified prevention specialist and coordinator of Lane County's award-winning problem gambling prevention program. Julie develops evidence-based program tools, ready-made materials for integration in related prevention topic areas, multimedia presentations and other materials for a varied target groups and partners all over the country. She is passionate about technology in advancing the "community" of prevention; in that capacity, Julie serves as the web developer for Lane County's Prevention Program websites (www.preventionlane.org) and Oregon Problem Gambling Services

	prevention website (www.problemgamblingprevention.org), and manages their affiliated social media pages. Additionally, she is an adjunct instructor for the University of Oregon.
Janet Jacobs	Rev. Janet E. Jacobs Rev. Janet Jacobs brings together a background of professional teaching skills, parish ministry, and on-going training on problem gambling treatment issues. A 1965 University of Houston graduate, Rev. Jacobs entered the United Methodist ministry in 1995. Appointed Founding Director of Gambling Recovery Ministries (GRM) in 2001, Rev. Jacobs has given over 140 presentations on problem gambling, received Mid-Central Alliance's Seven State Councils on Problem Gambling 2008 Leadership Award, and serves as instructor for the Indiana Problem Gambling Awareness trainings Women and Problem Gambling and Spirituality and Problem Gambling. She is a member of Alpha Delta Kappa International Women Educators Honorary.
Robert Jacobson	Robert Jacobson has been the Executive Director of the California Council on Problem Gambling since 2011, and his unique perspective on responsible gambling is derived as from both his personal and professional experiences. Robert grew up in Las Vegas, where his family worked in the casino industry for over 25 years. He followed suit, taking his first casino job in 1995. In 1998 he moved to California, where he continued to work for casinos until 2010. His experience lies in both gaming operations and human resources, and includes a variety of positions ranging from entry-level to upper management.
Jim Kooler Ph.D.	As the Administrator for the California Friday Night Live Partnership, Dr. Jim Kooler provides leadership and support to 54 county Friday Night Live programs. He also leads the California Center for Youth Development and Health Promotion and the implementation of Friday Night Live, Club Live, Friday Night Live Kids, Friday Night Live Mentoring and the California Youth Council. He is the "Creative Wizard" for the Lifeplan Institute, Director of the Be The Change Movement with Challenge Day, and directing the creation of the California Mentoring Partnership. Dr. Kooler also serves as a Board Member for USADA and NEFE. He is a strong ally to young people and has worked in the prevention field for 27 years.
Lorne Korman	Lorne is registered psychologist, co-founder of the Vancouver Psychotherapy Centre, and Clinical Associate Professor, Psychiatry, UBC. Previously he was Head, Anger and Addiction Clinic, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, and Research Director, BC Youth Concurrent Disorders Network. Lorne has intensive training and 13 years' experience in Dialectical Behavior Therapy. He adapted DBT for anger and gambling problems, participating in four clinical trials. He is featured in the APA video "Working with Anger," and has trained hundreds of clinicians across Canada. DBT combines CBT techniques with concepts of distress tolerance, acceptance, and mindful awareness largely derived from Buddhist meditative practice.
Amy Kugler	Amy Kugler is the communications and outreach manager for the National Center for Responsible Gaming (NCRG). In this role, she orchestrates the NCRG's overall communications strategy, executes media relations efforts and conducts public education programming and outreach initiatives, including the NCRG's Treatment Provider Workshop Series, CollegeGambling.org and the NCRG's many publications. Kugler is a public affairs professional who specializes in public health and education, and has experience in organizations that serve both the U.S. and international audiences. Previously, she served as the director of communications for the National Indian Education Association and has consulted on projects for the U.S. Commission on Presidential Scholars and the U.S. Department of Education.
Gary Lange Ph.D. NCGCII	Gary Lange, Ph.D. is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist in Rancho Mirage, CA. He is a Nationally Certified Gambling Counselor and a BACC for the NCPG certification process as well as serving on the International Gambling Counselor Certification Board. Dr. Lange is also a supervisor and provider for the California Problem Gambling Treatment Service Program with the Office of Problem Gambling. He is a Certified Addictions Specialist and supervised the Betty Ford Center's Family Program. He is also a professor of Psychology with California State University, San Bernardino, has spoken internationally and has published articles on treating gamblers and their families.
Liz Lanza	Elizabeth Lanza- Director of the Office of Compulsive and Problem Gambling (OCPG), Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board (PGCB): As Director, Liz oversees the state's Self-Exclusion Program, reviews casinos' Compulsive and Problem Gambling Plans and collaborates with other state agencies as well as national and state problem gambling organizations on problem gambling prevention, education, awareness and outreach. Liz has made presentations at the Council on Compulsive Gambling of PA's annual conferences, for the PA State Police's Member's Assistance Program, for PA universities and has attended state and national problem gambling conferences and symposiums. In October 2005, Liz started at the PGCB and became the Program Coordinator for the OCPG in 2007. Liz was selected as the Director of the OCPG in 2010. Prior to her work at the PGCB Liz was employed by the Pennsylvania Lottery. Liz graduated from Pennsylvania State University with a Bachelor of science in Public Policy.

Roy Lara	Roy Lara: Addictions and Dual Diagnosis Counselor at Lifeways Mr. Lara has been an addictions counselor for more than 20 years and an alcohol and drug evaluation specialist for over 13 years. He is a bilingual, bicultural professional who works with addicted individuals in Eastern rural Oregon. He is CADC II, CGAC I and is a Certified Alcohol and Drug Evaluation Specialist. Mr. Lara is also owner and operator of Eagle View Evaluations since 1997. He is a member of the Latino Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling for the State of Oregon. Jose Garcia: Director of New Horizons Treatment Center Mr. Garcia has been a CADC I since 2002 and is also NCAC and CGAC. He has been a member of the Advisory board for Umatilla County Local Alcohol and Drug Planning Committee since 2003 and is a member of the Latino Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling for the State of Oregon. Mr. Garcia is the director of New Horizons Treatment Program in Hermiston, Oregon. He has performed extensive outreach to the Latino community in rural eastern Oregon for both gambling, alcohol and drug addiction problems. He is of Mexican ancestry and has resided in the U.S. the majority of his life.
Mary Larimer	
David Ledgerwood	Dr. Ledgerwood is a Clinical Psychologist and Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurosciences at Wayne State University in Detroit, Michigan. His work primarily focuses on etiology and treatment of pathological gambling and other addictive disorders.
Marc Lefkowitz	Marc Lefkowitz is a California Certified Gambling Counselor. He has facilitated counselor and other trainings for the California Council on Problem Gambling, UCLA Gambling Studies Program and NAPAFASA. He is an adjunct instructor in California teaching courses on problem gambling and addiction. He has trained over 100,000 casino employees and developed responsible gaming programs for many gambling venues. Marc, a recovering gambler has lectured at numerous national conferences on problem gambling; financial matters for addicts; and responsible gambling. Marc recently received California's Life-time Achievement Award for his work with problem gamblers and affected individuals.
Nina Littman-Sharp NCGCI	Nina Littman-Sharp, MSW, RSW, is the manager of the clinical program of the Problem Gambling Institute of Ontario, at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health in Toronto. She has worked in the problem gambling field since 1995. Nina has presented and written on a number of topics, including family and couples work, gambling and fatigue and behavioural addictions. Nina is one of the authors of the Inventory of Gambling Situations, a relapse prevention instrument, and is the moderator of a 500+ member listserv for problem gambling professionals.
Thomas Litwicki NCGCI	My experience includes extensive correctional and community behavioral health service, including experience as a licensed practitioner, clinical director, and treatment administrator, both in correctional and community settings. In my current capacities I serve as Project Manager for the Center for Applied Behavioral Health Policy, Arizona State University, and CEO/Clinical Director of Emergent Recovery, providing problem gambling treatment services to persons incarcerated in the Arizona State Prison. I hold an independent license to provide addiction treatment in Arizona. I am also approved as a Clinical Supervisor by the Arizona Office of Behavioral Health Examiners, and the Arizona Office of Problem Gambling.
Ellie Lorenz NCGCI	Ellie Lorenz has seven years of experience in counseling chemically dependent and gambling addicted clients in an intensive outpatient setting. She is a certified International Gambling Counselor. She is currently charged with oversight and treatment at the Tulalip Tribe's Family Services Problem Gambling Program. Prior to her career as a counselor, Ms. Lorenz served as the Vice President of the Women's League for Elected Officials, and was an Assistant Patient Advocate for the VA Hospital on Mather Air Force Base in Sacramento, California. She currently resides in Cle Elum, Washington, and is an enrolled member of the Blackfeet Tribe of Montana.
Ty Lostutter Ph.D.	Ty W. Lostutter is an Assistant Professor at the Center for the Study of Health and Risk Behaviors in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the University of Washington. Dr. Lostutter has over a decade of experience conducting clinical research and prevention of disordered gambling. He received his Ph.D. in clinical psychology from the University of Washington in 2009. Dr. Lostutter joined the Board of the Evergreen Council in 2007 and currently serves as Vice-President and also serving on the Board of the National Council on Problem Gambling.
Jeffrey Marotta Ph.D.	Dr. Jeffrey Marotta serves as: President and Senior Consultant with Problem Gambling Solutions.; Executive Director for Voices of Problem Gambling Recovery; and, Clinical Associate Professor at Oregon Health & Science University. Jeff has a doctorate in clinical psychology and is certified as an NCGC-II. From 2000 to 2007, he administered and developed the State of Oregon's problem gambling treatment and prevention system. Since beginning his consulting business, he has assisted with the development of programs and policies to address problem gambling in multiple jurisdictions including statewide problem gambling service strategic plans and responsible gambling materials for lotteries and casinos. He lives in

	Portland with his wife and two children.
Ryan Martin Ph.D.	Dr. Martin is an assistant professor in the Department of Health Education and Promotion at East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. He received his Ph.D. in Health Education and Promotion from the University of Alabama in 2008 and was subsequently appointed the Thomas N. Cummings postdoctoral research fellow at the Division on Addictions and the Massachusetts Council on Compulsive Gambling.
Stephen Martino	Stephen Martino has served as director of the Maryland Lottery and Gaming Control Agency since April 2010. From 2005 to 2010, Martino served as executive director of the Kansas Racing and Gaming Commission where he led the effort to establish Kansas' gaming regulatory framework and organized the opening of the first state-owned and operated casino in the United States. Martino has emphasized the importance of responsible gambling awareness and problem gambling treatment. He founded both the Kansas Responsible Gambling Alliance and the Maryland Alliance for Responsible Gambling. Martino has a law degree from Washburn University School of Law. He lives in Columbia, Maryland, with his wife, Beth, and their two children.
Chuck Maurer Ph.D. NCGCII	Charles D. Maurer, Ph.D. is a clinical psychologist who is licensed to practice psychology in the State of Washington. He is board certified in Clinical Psychology by the American Board of Professional Psychology. He received his undergraduate degree in psychology from Kenyon College (1968) and his master and doctoral degrees from Kent State University (1970, 1972). Dr. Maurer has been in practice since 1976 and has a general practice of Clinical Psychology with subspecialties that focus on dependent behavior and impulse control (alcoholism and pathological gambling); psychophysiological disorders, pain, stress related health concerns; and relationship issues. He provides individual and marital psychotherapy for adults. Active in the broader psychological community, Dr. Maurer is on the Clinical Faculty of both the Graduate Department of Psychology and the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences at the School of Medicine, University of Washington. He has been involved with local and national organizations and has been President of the Board of Childhaven, the Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling and the National Council on Problem Gambling; he is also a certified gambling counselor in Washington State and by the International Gambling Counselor Certification Board as a NCGC II and a Board Approved Clinical Consultant. He has received numerous awards for community and professional service and advocacy.
Elizabeth McCall	Liz received her Bachelor's degree in Psychology from Saint Anselm College in Manchester, New Hampshire. She worked in hospital Quality Assurance and as an educator in a public school system. Liz has been working with the Council for 4 years managing the Helpline database, the self-exclusion program, and prepping survey research data for statistical analysis. Her primary role at the Council is to run the College Program including but not limited to the mini-grant.
Matthew J. McCreary	Executive Director of Problem Gambling Services Bensinger, DuPont & Associates Chicago, IL.
Susan McLaughlin	As Prevention Services Coordinator for DMHAS Problem Gambling Services, Susan McLaughlin oversees the state network of gambling prevention programs. She develops and delivers training and education programs, and consults on a variety of local, regional, and state initiatives. Ms McLaughlin's publications include "A Social-Cognitive Approach to the Prevention of Adolescent Substance Abuse" and "Work and Family Stress Research Project" for NIDA. She is a cofounder of the Connecticut Women's Problem Gambling Project and a member of the Connecticut Partnership for Responsible Gambling. Prior to entering the problem gambling field in 1997, Ms. McLaughlin worked with Connecticut youth and families in education and human services for twenty years. She is a nationally certified Prevention Professional.
Reece Middleton	Reece Middleton, MA, LAC, CCGC is the Executive Director of Louisiana Association on Compulsive Gambling. He oversaw the development of CORE – Center of Recovery, a nationally known residential treatment center for Pathological Gambling in Shreveport, Louisiana, as well as the Louisiana Problem Gamblers Helpline, which answers for numerous states. LACG also provides a state wide Substance Abuse Helpline and Suicide Prevention Line as a public service. Reece has over thirty years of experience in the field of addictions treatment and management. He holds a Master of Arts degree in Counseling and professional board certifications in Substance Abuse (1983) and Compulsive Gambling Counseling (1996). He has made many presentations on addictions to national and state conferences, businesses and colleges. Reece formerly served as a Commissioner on the Louisiana Alcohol & Drug Abuse Commission, to which he was appointed by the Governor. Mr. Middleton was previously Vice President of the National Council on Problem Gambling, and served on the NCPG Board. He was the recipient of the 1999 State of Louisiana Professional Award, given by the Office for Addictive Disorders and the 2006 Herman Goldman Award given by the National Council on Problem Gambling.
Janet Miller	
Elise Mikkelsen	Elise Mikkelsen is the Treatment Administrator with the Arizona Office of Problem Gambling within the Department of Gaming, and formerly held the role of Education and Prevention Administrator with the

	agency. Elise has been with the department for almost 6 years. Prior to joining OPG, Elise was the Clinical Director of a behavioral health agency in Phoenix and has more than 20 years experience in the behavioral health field. Elise was born on the FT. Peck reservation in Wolf Point Montana and received her Sociology and Psychology degree in Montana as well.
Jacqueline Moghaddam	Dr. Moghaddam began her clinical work and research in addictions as an NIAAA and APA Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services Pre-Doctoral Fellow at the University of Michigan. Her doctoral research was concerned with the provision of culturally competent health care services to Native American communities in California and Michigan. Prior to that, she studied serious mental illness as a Master's student at Harvard University. Currently, Dr. Moghaddam is a post-doctoral fellow at UCLA's Gambling Studies Program. Her research and clinical interests include spirituality and recovery, evidence-based approaches for gambling, and the implementation and efficacy of third wave behavior therapies.
Cheryl Moss, J.D.	
Tim Murphy	Tim started his career as a Child and Family therapist in California but has spent the last 20 years in Oregon where he has worked in both the child and adult worlds as a therapist and as a program administrator. Tim has built new programs, turned around struggling programs, and infused programs with quality and trauma informed care. In 2005 Tim co-wrote a book on eliminating the use of Seclusion and Restraint in psychiatric hospitals which led to a world consulting tour landing him in Hawaii as the CEO of Maui Youth and Family Services. In 2008 Tim returned to Oregon to develop Bridgeway Recovery Services into a very successful not for profit Mental Health and Addictions Treatment clinic. Bridgeway is one of the few residential treatment programs for adults with devastating gambling behaviors.
Clayton Neighbors	Clayton Neighbors is Professor and Director of the Social Psychology Program at the University of Houston. His work focuses on social, motivational, and spiritual influences in etiology, prevention, and treatment of health and risk behaviors. Outcomes of interest include alcohol and substance abuse, problem gambling, body image and eating disorders, intimate partner violence and aggressive driving. Support for this research has been provided by the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the National Institute on Mental Health, and the Department of Defense.
Janese Olalde	The lead presenter has a Master's in Couples and Family Therapy. She worked for 2.5 years as the Problem Gambling Treatment Specialist for the State of Oregon Problem Gambling Services office conducting site reviews, leading audits and providing technical assistance to problem gambling treatment programs. She has 19 years of experience working in the addictions field. The lead presenter lived in Mexico for 4 years, has been involved personally with the Latino community for over 30 years and worked professionally with Latinos for 16 years. Ms. Olalde is the coordinator for the Latino Advisory Committee for Oregon's Problem Gambling Services.
Victor Ortiz	Victor worked as a Latino programming consultant to the Massachusetts Council on Compulsive Gambling for many years before his current appointment as Intervention and Treatment Support Director. His professional expertise is in the areas of child welfare and behavioral health. Victor has received national scholarship recognition from the National Association of Social Workers and The Council on Social Work Education. Victor recently earned his MSW from Simmons College School of Social Work.
Dragana Ostojic	Dragana Ostojic is working towards a Ph.D. in Clinical Neuropsychology from the University of Windsor. She is currently working on projects examining barriers to treatment among problem gamblers and the effectiveness of different treatments for problem gambling in community settings. She also has direct clinical experience doing assessments with problem gamblers.
John Pearson	Mr. John Pearson,MSW, is a Senior Program Development Specialist with Multnomah County's (Portland, Oregon) Department of County Human Services, Mental health and Addictions Services Division. In this role he interacts regularly with subcontracted addictions treatment providers and community-based groups. For the last twelve years, since 2000, Mr. Pearson has been the problem gambling treatment coordinator for Multnomah County. In this role he is responsible for all gambling treatment services contracts, development of new treatment services and providers, and outreach and services to underserved populations.
Corey Pilver Ph.D.	Corey E. Pilver, Ph.D., is a postdoctoral fellow at the Yale School of Public Health. Dr. Pilver's research is focused on the epidemiology of substance use disorders and pathological gambling, with a particular interest in differences related to gender, age, and race/ethnicity.
Anita Pindiur	In 2010 and 2011 Anita went back to Poland to train counselor in Problem Gambling. Anita contributed a chapter as part of a Problem Gambling book published in Poland in September 2012. The Chapter is a manual Living Gambling Free. Anita has been working at the Way Back Inn since 2002, 2004 to July 2012 she was the Clinical Director, July 2012 to present she is the Executive Director. Anita went graduated from Loyola University of Chicago with an undergraduate degree in Psychology and Women Studies in

	2000. In 2002 she graduated with a bachelor of science in Biology from Benedictine University. In 2004 she finished her Master of Clinical Psychology from Benedictine University.
Larissa Pixler	Larissa T. Pixler has been the Self-Exclusion Program Administrator from its inception in 2003. Since that time, she has attended numerous conferences and workshops to glean an understanding of the impact of problem gambling on the gambler, family, and friends. During her 17 years at the Arizona Department of Gaming, she has served in several capacities including Administrative Assistant, Certified Criminal Intelligence Analyst, and now as a Program Administrator with the Office of Problem Gambling. From 1989 through 2002, Ms. Pixler operated a translation/transcription business in support of state and federal investigations involving undercover and Free Talk conversations and wiretaps, both local and international. She is currently working on her Masters of Administration with a focus on Public Management.
Rory Reid Ph.D.	Dr. Reid is a Neuropsychologist and Licensed Clinical Social Worker specializing in research and treatment of pathological gambling and hypersexual behavior. He has published numerous articles and conducted studies using neuroimaging to examining the neurobiological mechanisms underlying these disorders. Dr. Reid was the Principal Investigator for a DSM-5 Field Trial on the proposed criteria for Hypersexual Disorder. Over the past few years, he has worked with the UCLA Mindfulness Awareness Research Center to explore the use of Mindfulness as a clinical intervention in the treatment of pathological gambling and hypersexual behavior. He currently works with the UCLA Gambling Studies Program.
Richard Rosenthal M.D. NCGCII	Richard J. Rosenthal, M.D. is Clinical Professor of Psychiatry and Co-Director, UCLA Gambling Studies Program. He is a California and National Certified Gambling Counselor (CCGC-II, NCGC-II); and Board Approved Clinical Consultant (BACC). He was a member of the DSM-IV committee on impulse control disorders and co-authored the diagnostic criteria for pathological gambling. Dr. Rosenthal is recipient of the NCPG Research Award (1993), the Herman Goldman Award (1995), and Robert Custer Lifetime Achievement Award (2004). He is a Distinguished Life Fellow of the American Psychiatric Association. In addition to his clinical studies, he has published a series of papers about Dostoevsky.
Strawn Rosenthal	Strawn Rosenthal created and hosted two radio shows which broadcast on public radio for over twenty years. <i>Futurewatch</i> tracked conceptual trends in religion and science; <i>Ritual Life</i> addressed the role of ritual in personal, religious and civic life. She has spoken on the topic of religion/spirituality and gambling at previous National Council conferences in Chicago, Las Vegas and Phoenix.
Lori Rugle Ph.D. NCGCII	Lori Rugle, Ph.D., NCGC-II has worked in the field of problem gambling treatment and research since 1984. Currently, she is Director of Problem Gambling Services (PGS) with the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services for the State of Connecticut. Dr. Rugle has been involved in a variety of research projects including studies of treatment outcome, attention deficits among pathological gamblers, neuroimaging and pharmacotherapy with problem gamblers, coping skill and trauma among pathological gamblers, and correlates of youth gambling.
Karen Russo	Karen Russo was named Community Outreach and Problem Gambling Program Coordinator in September 2008. Her responsibilities include the oversight the Ohio Lottery's Speakers Bureau and is the Lottery's Problem Gambling Advocate. In addition, she coordinates community outreach activities throughout the State. Karen serves as the Lottery's point person for the Ohio for Responsible Gambling (ORG) initiative, oversees the problem gambling public awareness campaigns, assists with the statewide conference, and conducts problem gambling trainings. Karen has been employed by the Ohio Lottery since 1991 and has held various positions within the sales and communication divisions, including Web Administrator for five years. Prior to joining the Lottery, Ms. Russo was the Promotions Director for the Cleveland Force/Crunch, Major Indoor Soccer League. She obtained her Bachelor of Science degree from Kent State University with a focus in public relations.
Mike Schiks	Mike Schiks, who currently resides in Willmar Minnesota, has worked in the substance abuse field for over 30 years, 25 years with the Hazelden Foundation. He rose from counselor to Executive Vice President over all of Hazelden Treatment Services including: Minnesota, Florida, New York, and Oregon. During his tenure he has spoken at a number of national conferences. While at Hazelden he also doubled as employee assistance counselor for the Minnesota Vikings, Mike left Hazelden in 2005 and started a consulting firm, Minnesota Model Consulting Inc., to assist addiction treatment programs nationwide. He has served on numerous boards including the National Association of Addiction Treatment Providers, National Adolescent Treatment Association, Minnesota Institute of Public Health and currently is Board President of The North Star Alliance Compulsive Gamblers. (Minnesota affiliate to National Council on Problem Gambling). For the last 6 years he has served as the Executive Director/CEO of Project Turnabout Addiction Recovery Center. Project Turnabout (nationally accredited by the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitative Facilities, CARF) is an affordable, nonprofit 90 bed treatment center in Granite Falls, MN with satellite services in Marshall, Willmar and Redwood Falls. Project Turnabout's Vanguard Residential

	program for Problem/Pathological Gambling reached its 21 year anniversary in serving individuals and families afflicted with addiction to Gambling. Mike's passion and commitment to help families and individuals are well known in the field of addiction treatment. His blend of personal experience with addiction, education, and the real work experience give him a unique perspective in the field of addiction.
Sarah Sense-Wilson	Sarah Sense-Wilson M.A., CDP, NCGC-I, WSGCC-I Sarah's educational background includes B.A. in Political Science, UW 1999. Chemical Dependency License in 2004, and Sarah is certified as a Washington State Certified Gambling Counselor 2011. Sarah completed her MA degree in Applied Psychology from Antioch University 2010. Sarah is a Washington State licensed Mental Health Counselor. Sarah has worked in the chemical dependency field for over 8 years, and specializes in family and couples counseling. Sarah is currently employed at Suquamish Wellness Center as a Co-Occurring Disorder Specialist, Problem Gambling Focused.
Lisa Sinnitt	
Caylee So	Caylee So was born in a refugee camp in Thailand on September 17th 1981, just after her parent's escape from the reign of Pol Pot's Khmer Rouge regime in Cambodia. When she was just three years old, her family immigrated to the United States. She grew up in Northern Virginia where she spent most of her youth. In 2000, soon after her high school graduation, Caylee joined the US armed forces and served in the Virginia Army National Guard for the next eight years. There, she wrote for a little column called Caylee's Corner, a newsletter that was sent out to friends and families of deployed soldiers. In between tour of duty, Caylee attended Northern Virginia Community College where she discovered her love of writing fiction. She later transferred to George Mason University to pursue a degree in creative writing. Creative writing led to theatre, and theatre led to film; all mediums that had one thing in common: they all captured stories. In 2011, Caylee was awarded the Zonta's Women in Film grant for Most Promising Young Filmmaker. In 2012 Caylee received her MFA in Film Production at Dodge College of Film and Media Arts, having won the Best Picture and Best Director at her school's Cecil Awards that year. She is also the winner of the Director's Guild of America's 18 th annual Best Female Student Director award. Caylee is currently developing her 1st feature film.
Joyann Song	Affiliation: Lewis & Clark Graduate School of Counseling Psychology - MCFT. Currently interning as a family therapist at the VA Medical Center and Lewis & Clark Community Counseling Clinic in Portland OR. My interest is in looking at the significant others of problem gamblers as it relates to seeking treatment.
Roger Svendsen	Roger served the Minnesota Institute Public Health and was the director of the Problem Gambling Resource Center. He served on the board of the National Council on Problem Gambling and has been a member of the Governor's Advisory Council on problem gambling, and served as director of the Northstar Problem Gambling Alliance for two years. Roger co-authored several publications related to gambling, and has taught addiction courses as a community faculty member at Metro State University and Century College in Minnesota.
Brenda Teasell	Brenda Teasell, BA, MSW, RSW, has been working in the field of addictions for 18 years. For the past 14 years her career has focused on the effects of problematic gambling behaviour; including helping individuals, families and couples cope with its negative impacts. She has written for several publications and has developed and facilitated numerous workshops on problem gambling for the Ontario's problem gambling treatment system and allied professionals across Canada. Brenda presently works as a therapist and international trainer at the Problem Gambling Institute of Ontario, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. She has a Masters Degree in Social Work from the University of Toronto and a B.A in Sociology and Criminology from the University of Windsor, Ontario
Christine Theriault	Christine Theriault, LMSW, is the Maine Office of Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services (SAMHS) Behavioral Health Prevention Manager. Christine has a Master's Degree in Social Work and has over 13 years of experience in working with families affected by substance abuse, mental health, and other co-occurring conditions. In partnership with other SAMHS staff, she completed a yearlong internship project in 2010 with the Office of Substance Abuse on developing and implementing a Problem Gambling Strategic Plan and continues with this work today. Theriault has conducted several statewide presentations on problem gambling and leads the SAMHS gambling services workgroup.
Rachelle Underwood	Rachelle Underwood is the Communications & Outreach Coordinator for the Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling (ECPG). With a background in K-12 education and specializing in communications, Rachelle is passionate about educating and informing audiences statewide on problem gambling support, awareness, and prevention. She holds a Bachelor's in Business Communications from University of Phoenix.
Mark VanderLinden	
Charles Vorkoper	Charles F. Vorkoper, LMSW-ACP, LPC, LMFT is a counselor in Private Practice in Dallas, Texas. He is a

NCGCII	Certified Gambling Counselor - II and a Board Certified Consultant (BACC) for the International Gambling Certification Board. He trains mental health professionals for certification in several states as a BACC. He is President of the Board of the Texas Council on Problem and Compulsive Gambling. He also has experience in the areas of suicide, crisis, and group psychotherapy.
Christopher Waltrous	Christopher Waltrous is a research associate at the New England Mental Illness Research, Education and Clinical Center (MIRECC) of the Department of Veterans Affairs, a center which focuses its research and interventions on dual diagnosis issues among veterans. He holds a masters degree in counseling psychology from Boston College.
Marlene Warner	Marlene Warner has been with the Massachusetts Council on Compulsive Gambling serving as Program Director from 2001-10 and later became Executive Director in 2011. As Program Director, she offered a range of training opportunities for clinicians, worked within corrections to build capacity of professionals, and developed services to serve minority populations. She also secured grant funding and developed curricula to support financial education programs. As Executive Director, Ms. Warner builds connections to treatment facilities and recovery-directed policies, advocates on the state level for funding for problem gambling services, as well as the integration of gambling disorders with public policy officials.
Mike Weeks	Mike Weeks is a Senior Product Manager for the North American headquarters of Adidas in Portland, Oregon. He lives with his girlfriend Cristina and his 10 year-old yellow lab aspen in the southeast side of the city. Growing up in Cincinnati, Ohio, he earned a business degree with a focus in marketing from Miami University (OH). A few years ago, filmmaking was just a hobby he wanted to explore. He created a short film about the highs and low of online poker, a subject he knew much about, that eventually went viral online. The film has since become a full-length feature documentary, which premiered at the Thin Line Documentary Film Festival in February of 2013.
Cheryl Wilcox	Cheryl Wilcox is the Problem and Pathological Gambling Program Manager for the state of Washington. The problem and pathological gambling program is within the Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery, Department of Social and Health Services. As the program manager for the statewide program, Cheryl is very passionate about providing the best quality treatment, prevention, and education to Washington residents. The problem gambling program has undergone considerable change in the last few years and will continue to change and improve. Washington residents that seek treatment for problem or pathological gambling are getting the treatment they need and problem and pathological gamblers do recover and lead healthy , productive lives. Prior to managing the problem and pathological gambling program, Cheryl was in management in the education field as well as federal grant management.
Jorge Wong Ph.D.	Jorge Wong, Ph. D., is the Director of Clinical and Regulatory Affairs at Asian Americans for Community Involvement (AACI). He is a Licensed Psychologist who actively serves in numerous local, state and national organizations advocating for cultural competence in service delivery and social justice. He completed his Doctorate at Pacific Graduate School of Psychology, Palo Alto University. Dr. Wong has also presented and consulted internationally about best practices in behavioral health program development and treatment strategies affecting Asians across the life span and range of disorders. He is currently on APA Committee on Professional Practices and Standards (COPPS).
Wes Wood	Wes Wood, current president of VOICES OF PROBLEM GAMBLING RECOVERY, has been an active and founding member of VPGR, since its inception. He has participated in numerous speaking, planning, community events, and legislative efforts. Wes serves on the Governor’s Advisory Committee for the State of Oregon's new Health Care Plan and provides insight and a voice of those in recovery and those impacted by problem gambling.
Jim Wuelfing	Jim Wuelfing, is the Prevention and Recovery Consultant for the Massachusetts and the owner and CEO of the New England Center. Aside from his work in problem gambling prevention, Jim is the author of the Recovery Coach Academy which has been used to train thousands of recovery coaches across the nation. Jim has co-written and trained the highly praised workshop, “Racism of the Well-Intended”. Jim has been on the faculty of the New England School of Alcohol Studies for twenty years and has served on the planning committee and the faculty of the New England School of Prevention Studies since its inception in 2000.
Mark Yapelli	Mark F. Yapelli is a Ph.D. candidate in Counseling Psychology at the University of Oklahoma. His research focuses on problema and pathological gambling, and his dissertation specifically looks at the subtyping of problem and pathological gamblers. He is currently completing his pre-doctoral internship at the College of William & Mary Counseling Center.
Donna Zaharevitz	Donna has been in the Addiction Recovery field since 1998. As Judicial Liaison for the Council, she initiated outreach to superior court judges throughout the state to increase awareness within the criminal justice system of the issue of problem gambling. She has engaged several judges in conversation regarding the

	<p>issues problem gamblers face within the court system. Additionally, Donna serves as a peer counselor for problem gamblers and their family members for the Helpine. Currently, she facilitates a weekly gambling intervention group at York Correctional Facility in Connecticut for women incarcerated for gambling-related crimes.</p>
<p>Ramon Zelaya NCGCII</p>	<p>I have been working in the mental health field for 10 years, beginning with children, adults, and families in both outpatient and inpatient settings teaching various life skills to individuals struggling with chronic mental health conditions. While in graduate school, I began working for adults with chemical addictions as my studies focused on addictions treatment. Since 2009 I have worked in gambling addictions outpatient treatment, and began working concurrently in problem gambling prevention in 2011. My career interests include educating individuals on all aspects of gambling addiction, attempting to “fill in the gaps” between treatment and prevention.</p>
<p>Steve Zvonar</p>	<p>Dr. Zvonar is an experienced speaker on such topics as natural health and nutrition, health and life coaching, the keys to change and thriving through stress. He is an annual speaker at the (Minnesota Association of Resources for Recovery and Chemical Health) conference in St. Paul, MN. Dr Zvonar is the primary curriculum developer that teamed up with Roger to develop the messaging for the trainings for this materials.</p>