



NCPG

National Council on Problem Gambling

2025 NCPG Advocacy Welcome

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**Advocacy
Awareness
Assistance**

Today's Schedule

- **10:00 - 11:00 am ET**
Virtual Welcome Reception
- **11:00 am - 4:00 pm ET**
Virtual Congressional Meetings
 - These have been scheduled for you
- **End of Day**
You will receive an email survey to fill out and tell us about your meeting



One-Pagers

- You should have received three one-pagers on the POINTS Act, the pitch, and on NCPG



125,058	154,568	95,054	124,500
125,487	56,845	97,511	125,000
124,000	110,000	99,011	154,000
105,450	150,000	99,216	95,000
86,502	35,000	101,090	154,200
	83,000	101,684	110,000
	45,000	101,962	89,000
		102,747	

Legislative Priority for Today

- Educate your member on the **POINTS Act** and ask them to co-sponsor the legislation
 - No Bill # due to Federal Government shutdown
 - Bill will be introduced when government opens back up



POINTS Act

- **1/3rd** of last year's Sports Betting Excise Tax Revenue tied to inflation
- Distributed via **competitive SAMHSA grant**
 - States and tribes may apply for funding
- Must be used to fund **prevention, intervention, and treatment** using evidence-based practices
- Authorized for **seven years** beginning in 2027 (when all SAMHSA funding is up for reauthorization)

POINTS Act Sponsors



Representative Erin Houchin (Indiana-9)



Representative Andrea Salinas (Oregon-6)

Why Co-Sponsor the POINTS Act?



- The POINTS Act would be the **first ever federal funding** for **problem gambling prevention and treatment**
- **The federal government** funds prevention and treatment for **other addictions** like alcohol and drugs
- This bill creates **no additional bureaucracy or taxes**
- Mobile sports gambling expanding quickly across the country, and **the United States is not prepared for growing risk for gambling addiction**

Training Videos



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Advocacy Day Training Videos

SKILL 2

Discussing Sports Betting

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Cole Wagoman, NCPG Advocate

- We have created a handful of 1-minute videos that have been sent to you
- These are available in the online advocacy toolkit if you would like to rewatch them

Congressional Meetings: Your Schedule

- **Your final meeting schedule was sent out via email on 10/28**
 - If a meeting changes from this point forward, NCPG will notify you via email and phone.
- **You can also view your schedule at the QR code or the URL below**
 - Make sure to check your email for your individual meeting link(s).

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SCAN ME!

Important Note: Webex Meetings

For meetings scheduled on **Webex:**

- **You will need to join from a laptop or desktop computer**
 - **Not** from a phone or tablet.
 - If this an issue for you, please let us know as soon as possible so we can send a replacement link.
- **Your schedule (sent out via email) will indicate if your meeting will use Webex**

If a Meeting Changes Today

NCPG Staff Will:

1. Email you with any changes.
2. Call you to confirm the change.
3. Send you a text outlining the change if you do not respond.

For this reason, it is vital we have your day-of phone number!

Wear Your Advocate Pins!

- Make sure to take a photo with your NCPG Advocate pin!
- **Suggested Photos:**
 - You and your NCPG Advocate pin
 - Your set up (desk, notes, etc) before your meeting
 - A thumbs up after a successful meeting!
- Send photos to Cait Huble at **202-470-1815** or CaitH@NCPGambling.org



If Any Question/Issues Arise



- **Meeting Problems or Questions:**
 - Julia Brunson, 202-360-4560
 - JuliaB@NCPGambling.org



- **Advocacy Questions:**
 - Cole Wogoman, 574-370-4175
 - ColeW@NCPGambling.org

Q&A

Thank You!