



26th Annual Educational and Awareness Conference Presented by the Kentucky Council on Problem Gambling (KYCPG)

with Sponsorship Support from the Kentucky Department of Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities

Presented at Holiday Inn Riverfront, Owensboro, KY
March 9-10, 2023.

Virtual Attendance Available.

Registration Required to Receive CEU Credit

KYCPG's 26th Annual Educational and Awareness Conference is a learning opportunity to gain critical knowledge of gambling addiction, prevention, and treatment practices. The theme, *What Does the Next 25 Years Hold for Problem Gambling* reflects the maturing evidence of recognizing, minimizing, and treating problem and addicted gambling. It is open to anyone wishing more information on gambling's impact on individuals, families, and society. It is particularly relevant to behavioral counselors and prevention specialists confronting or preparing for the rising incidence of the addiction.

Up to 10 hours of CEUs available. Applications filed for International Gambler Counselor Certification Board, alcohol and drug counselors, nursing, licensed professional counselors, psychologists, and social workers.

Registration scholarships will be awarded to prevention specialists and counselors with Kentucky Regional Prevention Centers (RPCs) and Community Mental Health Centers (CMHCs). All attendees may apply for registration-only scholarships. Details in conference registration form below.

The link for virtual access to the Conference program will be sent to registrants March 6, 2023.

All attendees must register.

KENTUCKY COUNCIL ON PROBLEM GAMBLING 26TH ANNUAL EDUCATIONAL AND AWARENESS CONFERENCE

REGISTRATION

- ☀ \$75 full conference registration fee for KYCPG Members and members of state councils on problem gambling affiliated with the National Council on Problem Gambling (NCPG) (Member Daily Fees -- March 9: \$60; March 10: \$30)
- ☀ \$100 full conference registration fee for Non-Members (Non-Member Daily Fees -- March 9: \$75; March 10: \$45)
- Registration fee includes continental breakfasts, lunch, breaks, all conference materials/handouts, CEU application fees, and virtual access if needed.
- \$25 late fee added to registrations received after Feb. 24, 2023.
- Please send complete registrations with cash, check, money order or purchase order (payable to KYCPG) to KYCPG, P.O. Box 4595, Frankfort, KY 40604-4595. If applying for registration-only scholarship, please check box below; do not send payment, but **registration form is required.**

NOTE: Credit Cards cannot be accepted. Payment must be made by cash, check or money order only.

Applications for 10 hours CEUs filed with professional certification boards.

Name: _____ Credential: _____ Job Title: _____

Organization/Agency: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

PLEASE CHECK APPROPRIATE BOX:

- Member Registration, \$75 **OR** Member Daily Fee: March 9, \$60 March 10, \$30 Applying for registration-only scholarship (see below)
- Non-Member Registration, \$100 **OR** Non-Member Daily Fee: March 10, \$75 March 11, \$45

ACCOMMODATIONS are available at the Holiday Inn Riverfront, Owensboro, KY. The rate is \$129 single/double, plus tax. Call 270/683-1111 for reservations. Identify attendance at Kentucky Council on Problem Gambling conference. **Cutoff date for group room rate is February 16, 2023.**

SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION: To request a registration-only scholarship, complete registration form and send to KYCPG, P.O. Box 4595, Frankfort, KY 40604-4595, with a brief statement of need for scholarship consideration; or e-mail a copy of completed fillable PDF registration form and brief statement of need to kmstone1951@gmail.com. **DEADLINE FOR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION IS Feb. 24, 2023.**

By Monday, March 6, 2023, registrants will receive by e-mail a link to access the virtual program.

What Does the Next 25 Years Hold for Problem Gambling?

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Agenda

(Note: All Times Central Standard Time)

Thursday, March 9

- 7 a.m. **Registration (Continental Breakfast Available)**
- 8:30 a.m. **Welcome**
-RonSonLyn Clark, Psy.D., LCADC-S, NCC, MAC, ICGC-II, BACC, CSS, Addiction Recovery Program Coordinator, Boulware Mission, Owensboro, KY; and KYCPG President
- 8:45 a.m. **Suicide Ideation Screening and Response**
-Beck Whipple, BA, Suicide Prevention Coordinator
Kentucky Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities
- 10:30 a.m. Break
- 10:45 a.m. **Gambling and Problem Gambling in Kentucky**
-Scott Hunt, Ph.D., Associate Dean, Eastern Kentucky University, College of Justice, Safety and Military Science
- 11:15 a.m. **Gambling Expansion the Right Way: Serving the Commonwealth; Protecting Citizens**
-The Honorable Adam Koenig, former Kentucky State Representative
- 12 p.m. **Awards Luncheon**
- 1:15 p.m. **Keynote Address: What Does the Next 25 Years Hold for Problem Gambling?**
-Timothy Fong, MD, BA, BS, Clinical Professor, Director UCLA Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship, Co-Director, UCLA Gambling Studies Program
- 2:45 p.m. Break

Thursday, March 9, continued

- 3 p.m. **Impact of Sports Betting, Physical Impact of Gambling Disorder, Cannabis and Gambling**
-Timothy Fong, MD, BA, BS, Clinical Professor, Director UCLA Addiction Psychiatry
Fellowship, Co-Director, UCLA Gambling Studies Program
- 4:30 p.m. **Recess**

Friday, March 10

- 7 a.m. **Registration (Continental Breakfast Available)**
- 8:30 a.m. **Problem Gambling 101**
-RonSonLyn Clark, Psy.D., LCADC-S, NCC, MAC, ICGC-II, BACC, CSS, Director
of Counseling Services, Boulware Mission, Owensboro, KY, and KYCPG President
- 10 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. **Developing a Problem Gambling Treatment Workforce**
-Michael A. Buzzelli, MA, MPH, OCPSA, Associate Director, Problem Gambling
Network of Ohio
-Cory Brown, MPA, BA, Manager of Problem Gambling Services, Ohio Casino Control
Commission
- 11:15 a.m. **Problem Gambling Prevention Strategies Across the Lifespan**
-Michael A. Buzzelli, MA, MPH, OCPSA, Associate Director, Problem Gambling
Network of Ohio
-Cory Brown, MPA, BA, Manager of Problem Gambling Services, Ohio Casino Control
Commission
- 12:15 p.m. **Conference Review and Legislation Update**
-Michael R. Stone, B.A., B.J., Executive Director, KYCPG
- 12:30 p.m. **Adjourn**
- 1:30 p.m. KYCPG Board Meeting (*Invitation Only*)
RiverValley Behavioral Health Cigar Factory Complex, Room ?

FUNDING for some sessions made possible by the Kentucky Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities (DBHDID).

Ten (10) hours of continuing education are pending for the following:

KY Board of Licensed Professional Counselors, International Gambler Counselor Certification Board, Kentucky Board of Social Work, the Kentucky Board of Nursing, the Kentucky Board of Certified Alcohol and Drug Counselors, and the Kentucky Board of Psychology.

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Welcome and Historical Review

RonSonLyn Clark, Psy.D., LCADC-S, NCC, MAC, ICGC-II, BACC, CSS, Addiction Recovery Program Coordinator, Boulware Mission, Owensboro, KY; and KYCPG President

Dr. Clark will welcome attendees on behalf of the Kentucky Council on Problem Gambling (KYCPG).

Objectives: Make attendees comfortable; introduce speakers; explain evaluation procedures.

Suicide Ideation Screening and Response

Beck Whipple, BA, Suicide Prevention Coordinator, Kentucky Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental and Intellectual Disabilities (DBHDID)

Those suffering from a gambling disorder have a higher rate of suicide ideation than any addictive disorder. It is incumbent on those providing counseling services to problem and addicted gamblers to consider screening for suicide and have the knowledge to address the possible situation. Mr. Whipple, Kentucky's Suicide Prevention Coordinator, will inform attendees of screening best practices and responses.

Objectives: To become familiar with the co-occurring rise of suicide ideation and completions among disordered gamblers. To identify suicidal tendencies of disordered gamblers. To learn effective ways to safety plan with this population.

Gambling and Problem Gambling in Kentucky

Scott Hunt, Ph.D., Associate Dean, Eastern Kentucky University, College of Justice, Safety and Military Science

What are the statistics regarding gambling, problem gambling and gambling addiction in Kentucky? Dean Hunt will review his analysis of various state and national surveys presenting the results, explaining the extent of gambling, problem gambling and gambling addiction in Kentucky, including its impact on different demographic groups.

Objectives: To identify trends in gambling addiction in Kentucky. To discuss proactive ways to minimize gambling's impact on Kentuckians. To familiarize attendees on how Kentucky and national trends are similar and differing, and how to utilize this information in working with disordered gamblers and educating the public.

Learning Objectives -- 2

Gambling Expansion the Right Way: Serving the Commonwealth; Protecting Citizens

The Honorable Adam Koenig, former Kentucky State Representative

Legislation both to expand gambling in Kentucky with sports betting and to establish a publicly funded problem and addicted gambling education, prevention and treatment program were introduced by former Rep. Koenig in the 2022 Kentucky General Assembly session. He will explain his position why Kentucky should move forward with limited expanded gambling, and how gambling can be expanded with measures to promote responsible gambling and services for problem and addicted gamblers and their families.

Objectives: To review with attendees various legislative attempts in Kentucky to legalize gambling. To develop an awareness of the impact on Kentucky and its gamblers should sports betting be legalized. To review efforts toward responsible gambling that have been successful in other states.

Keynote Address: What Does the Next 25 Years Hold for Problem Gambling?

Timothy Fong, MD, BA, BS, Clinical Professor; Director, UCLA Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship;
Co-Director, UCLA Gambling Studies Program

The Kentucky Council on Problem Gambling (KYCPG) celebrated the 25th anniversary of its annual conference in 2022. As KYCPG starts another 25 years of annual conferences, what does the future hold? One of the recognized academic researchers on problem and addicted gambling, Dr. Fong will use his expertise and experience to project the future of gambling in the United States and how society will address the growing public health issue of problem and addicted gambling.

Objectives: To explore the historical aspects of gambling and look at possible future trends. To address and describe how gambling is a public health issue. To provide information on how to prepare for continued growth and impact of gambling on professionals treating gamblers.

Impact of Sports Betting, Physical Impact of Gambling Disorder, Cannabis and Gambling

Timothy Fong, MD, BA, BS, Clinical Professor; Director, UCLA Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship;
Co-Director, UCLA Gambling Studies Program

Dr. Fong will present his research and findings on a number of current issues facing those working to address the growing public health issue of problem and addicted gambling. Notable is that problem and addicted gambling often is a co-occurring disorder among a host of other behavioral health disorders.

Objectives: To describe and define sports betting. To explain the interrelationships of cannabis use by the disordered gambler. To review best practices for treating the disordered gambler.

Problem Gambling 101

RonSonLyn Clark, Psy.D., LCADC-S, NCC, MAC, ICGC-II, BACC, CSS, Addiction Recovery Program
Coordinator, Boulware Mission, Owensboro, KY; and KYCPG President

Dr. Clark will present the basics of problem and addicted gambling screening, recognition, counseling, treatment and recovery, information that is essential for professionals seeking to help individuals and their families recover from a gambling problem or addiction.

Objectives: To develop an awareness of interventions for screening and assessment of the gambler. To learn effective treatment strategies. To become familiar with similarities and differences of gamblers from specific demographic populations.

Learning Objectives -- 3

Developing a Problem Gambling Treatment Workforce

Michael A. Buzzelli, MA, MPH, OCPSA, Associate Director, Problem Gambling Network of Ohio
Cory Brown, MPA, BA, Manager of Problem Gambling Services, Ohio Casino Control Commission

Ohio has received national recognition for its programs and services related to workforce development. Ohio agencies have used innovative strategies and key relationships to develop a well-trained and competent problem gambling treatment workforce. This session will focus on the stages of workforce development and explore the importance of building relationships across the continuum of care and throughout the gambling support service system to ensure proper service provision for those impacted by gambling. Goals:

1. Explain the stages of workforce development with examples from Ohio's gambling treatment field.
2. Describe the importance of relationship building in workforce development.
3. Provide information on training opportunities and additional involvement.

Objectives: Understand the stages of workforce development and how it relates to problem gambling treatment services. Describe key stakeholders from different sectors of the gambling support service system and understand the importance of engagement. Discuss opportunities for training, engagement, and ongoing participation in the gambling support service system.

Problem Gambling Prevention Strategies Across the Lifespan

Michael A. Buzzelli, MA, MPH, OCPSA, Associate Director, Problem Gambling Network of Ohio
Cory Brown, MPA, BA, Manager of Problem Gambling Services, Ohio Casino Control Commission

Benjamin Franklin's famous quote, "An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," rings truer than ever in relation to the expansion of problem gambling. As access and availability increase, so too does the prevalence of those impacted by gambling-related harms. This session will explore evidence-based and research-informed problem gambling prevention and harm reduction strategies for youth, college-aged young people, general community members, and for those engaged in gambling behaviors. Goals:

1. Understand the importance of prevention in an expanding market.
2. Explain the difference between prevention and harm reduction.
3. Provide examples of prevention and harm reduction strategies with different populations.

Objectives: Relate the importance of problem gambling prevention as access and availability increase. Distinguish between prevention strategies and harm reduction strategies. Discuss problem gambling prevention and harm reduction strategies specific to different populations

Conference Review and Kentucky's Challenge

Michael R. Stone, B.A., B.J., Executive Director, Kentucky Council on Problem Gambling

Mr. Stone, KYCPG's registered Legislative Agent and Executive Director, will review the key elements presented and urge completion of the evaluation process. He will inform attendees how to obtain materials from KYCPG to support outreach awareness and screening day activities. He will update attendees on the current status of gambling legislation before the Kentucky General Assembly.

Objectives: Attendees will learn the current status of legal gambling and prospects for expanded gambling in Kentucky. They will be provided with information to obtain complimentary awareness and screening materials from KYCPG and how they can be used. They will receive reinforcement of critical messages conveyed during the conference.