

## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey, Inc. (Council) is a private non-profit 501(c)3 organization composed of concerned individuals from diverse backgrounds. The group's primary purpose is to represent the best interest of compulsive gamblers and their families, recognizing that compulsive gambling is a treatable illness.

The Council focuses on educating the general public, training professionals throughout the state, referring compulsive gamblers and their families to treatment, and advocating for increased treatment services for compulsive gamblers and their families.

## How to Find Help for a Problem Gambler:

Call for help 24 hours per day, 7 days per week – 800-GAMBLER and speak with a gambling helpline staff member (All calls are confidential)

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Text '800GAMBLER' to 53342

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Visit www.800gambler.org for information, resources, or live chat

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Attend a Gamblers Anonymous (GA) or Gam-Anon meeting in your area; meeting locations, times, and dates can be found by calling 800-GAMBLER or by visiting our website at www.800gambler.org

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# Responsible Gambling





### CCGNJ FREE PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

#### **PUBLIC AWRENESS**

- Educational Brochures
- General Information Requests
- Radio/TV/News Media
- Fairs / Conferences / Speaking Engagements

#### **PREVENTION**

- High School, College, and Young Adult Outreach Programs
- Community Programs

#### **PUBLIC AWRENESS**

- 800-Gambler<sup>®</sup> Helpline free and confidential assistance (available 24/7)
- www.800gambler.org website Treatment/GA/Gam-Anon information
- Private and Public Outreach
- Courts, Correctional, and At-Risk Population Initiatives

## **RESPONSIBLE GAMBLING GUIDELINES**:

The points below are meant to keep gambling fun and viewed as a form of entertainment:

- Don't gamble to make money
- ONLY gamble with money you can afford to lose
- Set a money limit and stick to it
- Set a time limit and stick to it
- Do NOT chase your losses
- Do NOT gamble when you are lonely, depressed, tired, or angry
- Do NOT gamble to avoid problems or pain
- Do NOT gamble while drinking excessively
- If you gamble, balance it with other activities such as enjoying time with friends, seeing a show, or stopping for a meal

## DISORDERED GAMBLING WARNING SIGNS:

- Preoccupation
- Borrowing money
- Selling personal items
- Irritability, Restlessness, Withdrawal
- Need for action and excitement
- Defensive attitude
- Competitive personality
- Alienation from family and friends
- Inability to cut back or stop gambling
- Lying to friends and family about gambling
- Risk-taking behaviors
- Thinking about or committing an illegal act to finance your gambling
- Suicidal thoughts



## **Contact Us:**

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