



## **CALL FOR PAPERS**

### **COUNCIL ON COMPULSIVE GAMBLING OF NEW JERSEY, INC.'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON PROBLEM and DISORDERED GAMBLING**

***“Shine a Light and Take a Stand: Unmasking the Hidden Epidemic”***

**Friday, September 18, 2026**

**At The College of New Jersey, 2000 Pennington Road, Ewing, NJ 08628**

The Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey, Inc. invites proposals for presentations that expose the unseen realities of gambling disorder and equip attendees to take action. We seek presentations that unmask critical issues such as the rise of 24/7 mobile sports betting, youth gambling through gaming and livestreams, and the hidden impact on families and young adults.

All presentations should be geared towards awareness with practical “take a stand” strategies, giving clinicians, policy makers, educators, and advocates concrete tools for prevention, early intervention, treatment and recovery support. Presentation Proposals integrating lived experience with clinical, research, or policy expertise are strongly encouraged.

#### **Submission Criteria:**

1. **Theme Alignment:** Presentation Proposals must directly address “Shine a Light and Take a Stand, Unmasking the Hidden Epidemic: by exposing the overlooked aspect of problem gambling, the harm caused to family members, and providing actionable steps for attendees.
2. **Audience Relevance plus CEUs:** Content should be designed for a multidisciplinary audience of treatment providers, prevention specialists, policymakers, and peer advocates. Include at least 3 clear objectives suitable for CEU approval.
3. **Practical Application:** Presentations must go beyond awareness to deliver takeaways that attendees can implement. Preference for proposals with handouts, screening tools, case studies, or policy recommendations, and those that pair lived experience with professional expertise are encouraged.

***Each workshop is 1½ hours.***

Please include the following in your proposal:

- Title of your presentation as you would have it listed on the agenda.
- Brief presentation description (250 words maximum)
- Three (3) objectives of your presentation (using Bloom's Revised Taxonomy Model)
- Resume/CV
- Short Bio
- Name, address, telephone number and email address (best for communication)
- Affiliation, title, and credentials as you would have them listed on the agenda.

Proposals will be accepted until June 15, 2025. Proposals received after the cut-off date or incomplete **will not be considered.** *Please reply as early as possible.*

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