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A Night to Remember: 2026 Fundraising Gala

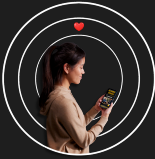
On May 21, the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey welcomed supporters, partners, advocates, and community members for our 2026 Fundraising Gala, an evening dedicated to advancing awareness, support, and hope.

The event celebrated progress, honored industry leaders, and reinforced our shared commitment to expanding services, outreach, education, and recovery resources.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to everyone who attended, contributed, sponsored, volunteered, donated, or helped make this event possible. Your generosity and commitment continue to strengthen our ability to serve individuals and families affected by gambling-related harm. Your support strengthens our ability to serve individuals and families affected by gambling-related harm.

PGAM 2026 Recap

Throughout March, the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey recognized Problem Gambling Awareness Month (PGAM) through a series of educational virtual presentations focused on prevention, treatment, and recovery. This year's series explored gambling risk among first responders, the emotional impact of gambling harm,



emerging recovery resources, and differing approaches to long-term recovery.

Thank you to our presenters, attendees, and partners for helping make this year's observance a success.

Missed a session or want to revisit the presentations? Watch the recordings on our **YouTube channel**: youtube.com/@800gambler

WHAT'S NEW IN GAMBLING?



Prediction Markets Under Scrutiny

As prediction markets continue to grow, recent headlines have sparked conversations around fairness, transparency, and access to information. A recent case involving alleged misuse of confidential data has brought attention to the ethical and regulatory questions surrounding emerging forms of wagering. As gambling products evolve, discussions around consumer protections and informed decision-making remain increasingly important.

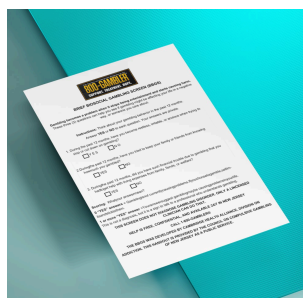
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AI Meets Responsible Gambling

Artificial intelligence is increasingly being explored as a tool to strengthen responsible gambling efforts. Emerging technologies may help identify behavioral patterns, deliver timely support resources, and provide players with personalized reminders and limit-setting tools. As these technologies continue to develop, conversations around transparency, ethics, and consumer protections remain essential to ensuring innovation supports player well-being.

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Take a Moment to Check In

The Brief Biosocial Gambling Screen (BBGS) is a simple three-question tool designed to help individuals reflect on whether gambling may be affecting their lives, or the lives of someone they care about.

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One or more “YES” responses may be a sign to speak with a professional who understands gambling-related harm.

Support in Motion

This spring, the Council on Compulsive Gambling of New Jersey launched a new awareness campaign in partnership with [Carvertise](#) to bring messages of support directly into communities across the state.

With 28 branded vehicles traveling throughout key New Jersey markets, including areas surrounding Atlantic City, MetLife Stadium, and the Shore, the campaign was designed to increase visibility and connect more individuals with available resources.

Additional event activations throughout the summer help extend the campaign’s reach and reinforce an important message: support is available, and no one has to navigate gambling-related harm alone.

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