

# Problem Gambling Webinar Series

The Ohio State University College of Social Work Office of Continuing Education in partnership with the Problem Gambling Network of Ohio will be offering a 5-webinar series to enhance understanding of gambling in Ohio. These courses will help professionals meet the gambling endorsement for the Chemical Dependency Board. To receive certificates of completion, attendance and engagement will be tracked in Zoom and participants must complete a course evaluation.

**Each training will be held in Carmen Zoom Webinar from 2-3:30 p.m. EST and are eligible for up to 1.5 CEs.**

**Fee:** Each course is \$30

## The Overlap of Problem Gambling and Substance Use Prevention

**Nov. 12, 2024**

**Presented by:** Claire Spada, OCPC, ICPS

Participants will discuss gambling trends, prevalence across the lifespan and review state-wide resources for problem gambling while understanding the risk and protective factors and at-risk populations. Discover how to integrate prevention strategies into existing drug and alcohol prevention programming.

## Gambling Disorder and the Financial Impact

**Jan. 7, 2025**

**Presented by:** Jesse Wodrig, MBA, LCDCCIII-GAMB, ICGC-I, OCPA

Participants will explore general concepts about money and its societal value and meaning as well as develop understanding about money's role in disorder gambling and related thoughts and cognitions. Participants will analyze strategies and tools to assist clients and family members regarding finances.

## Navigating Cognitive Distortions in Gambling Treatment

**March 4, 2025**

**Presented by:** Jesse Wodrig, MBA, LCDCCIII-GAMB, ICGC-I, OCPA and Claire Spada, OCPC, ICPS

Participants will learn about common beliefs and misconceptions about gambling devices and games and how their design can reinforce the misconception. They will develop understanding of varied forms of cognitive distortions and how they support continued gambling.

The Ohio State University College of Social Work provides approvals for continuing education for counselors, social workers, and marriage and family therapists that are accepted by the State of Ohio Counselor, Social Work, and Marriage and Family Therapist (CSWMFT) Board. The College of Social Work has been approved by the Ohio Chemical Dependency Professional Board as a provider of Continuing Education, approval number: 50-24068.



## MEET YOUR PRESENTERS:

**Claire Spada, OCPC, ICPS** is the Director of Workforce Development for Problem Gambling Network of Ohio. She has over 15 years of experience working in the prevention field and is an Ohio Certified Prevention Consultant. Spada manages PGNO's trainings including those that target prevention professionals and clinicians, consultation and outreach programming.

**Jesse Wodrig, MBA, LCDCCIII-GAMB, ICGC-I, OCPA** joined PGNO in 2023 as the OGTN Manager. He also completed the Ohio Gambling Treatment Fellowship in 2021, later joining the Ohio Problem Gambling Helpline through PGNO as a Warm Transfer Gambling Specialist.

## Gambling and Lethality: Why Ask?

**May 6, 2025**

**Presented by:** Claire Spada, OCPC, ICPS

Upon completion of this workshop, participants will be able to explain the correlation between Problem Gambling and Lethality and the importance of discussing these societal impacts together. They will have a stronger sense of comfort and skill in addressing the issues in their community.

## Here & Now: Sports Betting Update & the Collegiate Impact

**June 3, 2025 Presented by** Claire Spada, OCPC, ICPS

Participants will analyze the current and expanding landscape of gambling opportunities, including sports wagering, in the state of Ohio and understand the implications to the collegiate atmosphere. Formulate strategies for buy-in and support from campus leadership to expand awareness, programming, and policy.

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