

WCPG Honors Outstanding Supporters. Annual Awards presented at Statewide Problem Gambling Conference.

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For Immediate Release October 4, 2021 (Green Bay, WI) – The Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling held its 22nd annual conference. As part of the WCPG’s conference they recognized two individuals for their outstanding efforts on behalf of the non-profit, statewide organization.

“Having been with the Council for almost 24 years, I have seen many changes,” said Rose Blozinski, WCPG Executive Director. “What has never changed is the love, dedication and perseverance of everyone involved with the Council to provide help to those in need. Our award recipients, and so many others, are critical to our success in spreading the word about the services that are available for problem and compulsive gamblers in our state.”

The 2021 WCPG award winners are:

- Spirit Award – presented to Scott A Webb, Trauma-Informed Care Coordinator at the State of Wisconsin Department of Health Services. This award was given for true spirit that is reflected in their passion, concern, creativity in their personal and community life and in their interest in the compulsive gambling field. This award is in honor of their outstanding contribution and excellence in support of the WCPG.

- Outstanding Achievement Award – presented to Chris Gruber. This award was given in recognition of excellence in providing services, resources and long-term devotion to problem gamblers and the WCPG.

“We also wanted to recognize two key individuals to the WCPG,” said Blozinski. “Pat Jirovetz, WCPG’s former Board President, for her years of outstanding leadership and dedication she has given to the WCPG and Diana Abelt for 20 years in recovery.”

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conference, makes presentations on problem gambling and conducts training sessions for treatment providers interested in the special requirements for working with compulsive gamblers and their families.

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