



## Problem Gambling Conference Brings Together Experts in Field

23rd WCPG Conference set for March in Waukesha

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(Green Bay, Wis.) – For most people, gambling is a fun form of entertainment. For others, however, gambling is or can be a problem that affects the gambler, his or her family and friends and even the gambler’s workplace.

As part of its ongoing effort to increase awareness of the addiction, the Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling (WCPG) is hosting the 23rd Annual Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Statewide Conference. This year’s event will take place March 17-18, 2022 at the Milwaukee Marriott West in Waukesha.

“This year we will have a legal panel which will include a defense attorney (Bill Ginsberg), a prosecutor, and a judge explaining the judicial system. They will offer their perspective and end by taking questions from the audience.,” says Rose Blozinski, WCPG Executive Director. “Heather Chapman, PHD, ICGC-II, BACC, Northeast OH VA Medical Center, Cleveland VA will be presenting, “Rules of Engagement: Essential Lessons Working with Veterans”. The total continuing education units a conference attendee can earn is 21.75. The conference is designed for anyone concerned about problem gambling in Wisconsin, including criminal justice personnel, human resources professionals, mental health professionals, gaming industry personnel, clergy, problem gamblers, and their families and friends.”

This annual event provides connections to some of the leading experts in the problem gambling field. Conference speakers and panelists will cover a range of topics, including:

- Gambling Among Substance Use Populations
- Understanding the Criminal Justice System
- How to Cultivate and Maximize Legislative Initiatives To Strengthen Problem Gambling Awareness and Programs
- And many more interesting topics...

WCPG is a statewide organization that provides resources, public awareness and education on gambling disorders while maintaining strict neutrality on the issue of legalized gambling. The WCPG operates a Problem Gambling Helpline, and a Text and Chat line that are available 24/7 as a resource for anyone facing a gambling problem.

***If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, call the Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling Helpline at 1-800-426-2535, Text at 1-920-888-4673 or Live Chat through the WCPG website at [www.wi-problemgamblers.org](http://www.wi-problemgamblers.org).***

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*For more information, visit the [Wisconsin Council on Problem Gambling](http://www.wisconsin-council-on-problem-gambling.org) website, visit us on Facebook at [www.facebook.com/WisconsinCouncilonProblemGambling](https://www.facebook.com/WisconsinCouncilonProblemGambling) or follow us on Twitter at <https://twitter.com/wcpqgambling>*