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Developments in technology have had both a positive and negative impact on all types of addictive behaviors. For example, Internet-based resources have helped treat alcohol and tobacco addiction, but they have also increased access and availability to illegal drugs.

Changing technology has also had an impact on gambling. The expansion of Internet gambling, wagering via remote devices and the changing nature of electronic gaming machines are redefining the nature of gambling itself and have raised concerns about risks for increased rates of gambling disorders.

Technology also has provided the gambling research and treatment community with promising advances. Technological developments provide new ways to understand addiction, identify treatment methods, promote recovery and develop effective educational programs. Web-based counseling and computer-assisted treatment programs are just a few of the examples of how technology can transform how we understand and treat gambling disorders and other addictive disorders.

The 12th annual NCRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction will examine the risks and rewards of technology by exploring the following questions:

- How do slot machines work? Are they capable of causing or increasing problematic gambling behavior? Can harm reduction features added to machines be effective?
- Is Internet gambling inherently more “addictive” than other forms of gambling? Is it possible to conduct effective online prevention and responsible gaming programs?
- Will the video-game generation be more susceptible to gambling problems than other age groups?
- What can the gambling field learn from web-based interventions used successfully for other addictive disorders and health problems?
- How can gaming companies use new technology to promote responsible gaming?

The 12th annual NCRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction will bring together attendees from around the world to explore these ideas and more. Whether you’re in the health care sector, the gaming industry, government or academia, the NCRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction will help you advance your professional development and knowledge of the field by providing:

- The latest information on treatment for gambling disorders
- CEUs for clinicians and CLE credit for legal professionals
- Ideas for building and enhancing responsible gaming programs
- Opportunities for researchers to present their work in the poster session
- A critical perspective that will help gaming regulators and public officials develop and evaluate policies that address gambling disorders
- Hands-on workshops for both clinicians and researchers

No matter what sector you’re in, you’ll enjoy the following benefits:

- Opportunities for networking with attendees from around the world
- Discounted room rates at the four-star Venetian Las Vegas
- Access to Global Gaming Expo (G2E), the gaming industry’s largest trade show and conference
- Combined registration rates with G2E and IAGA

We hope you find our 2011 content fresh and compelling, and we look forward to seeing you this October in Las Vegas!

Featured Speakers



Jon E. Grant, J.D., M.D., M.P.H., is a professor of psychiatry at the University of Minnesota and

co-director of the Impulse Control Disorders Clinic at the University of Minnesota Medical Center. He is the principal investigator of the University of Minnesota's Center for Excellence in Gambling Research, supported by the NCRG. Dr. Grant's outstanding contributions to gambling research have been recognized twice with the NCRG Scientific Achievement Award.



Sara Kiesler, Ph.D., is the Hillman Professor of Computer Science and Human-computer Interaction at Carnegie

Mellon University. She applies behavioral and social science research methods and theory to understand new technologies and the human dimensions of people's use of, and interactions with, technology. Dr. Kiesler served on the National Research Council's Committee on the Social and Economic Impact of Pathological Gambling.



Sarah E. Nelson, Ph.D., is associate director for research at the Division on Addictions, Cambridge Health Alliance, a teaching

affiliate of Harvard Medical School, and an instructor in psychiatry at Harvard Medical School. The common thread throughout Dr. Nelson's research has been the investigation of problem behaviors (e.g., why people act in self- and other destructive ways), focusing on the causes, consequences and prevention of those behaviors. She has published on Internet gambling and the self-exclusion program in Missouri.



Wendy Slutske, Ph.D., is professor of psychology at the University of Missouri – Columbia.

Her research interests include the etiology and comorbidity of alcohol use disorders and other addictive disorders (e.g. pathological gambling, antisocial behavior disorders) among women versus men, explaining the genetic and environmental underpinnings of alcohol use disorders and other addictive/disinhibitory disorders, and the description and classification of addictive/disinhibitory disorders. Most of Dr. Slutske's research employs the study of twins, the families (offspring) of twins or large representative epidemiologic surveys of the general population.



Gary Small, M.D., is the Parlow-Solomon Professor on Aging, professor of psychiatry and bibehavioral

sciences, and director of the UCLA Center on Aging, the Memory & Aging Research Center. He is also director of the Geriatric Psychiatry Division at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience & Human Behavior, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA. He is nationally known for his ability to translate cutting-edge science into everyday language. Dr. Small's expertise ranges from Alzheimer's disease prevention and memory enhancement to the impact of technology on the brain, as well as the latest psychiatric treatments and therapy breakthroughs.



Scott Teitelbaum, M.D., serves as medical director for the Florida Recovery Center (FRC) and director of Adolescent

Recovery Services. He is an associate professor of pediatrics and psychiatry and the division chief for addiction medicine at the University of Florida College of Medicine. In 2010, Dr. Teitelbaum was inducted into the Conway Hunter Society, which is dedicated to excellence in addiction treatment programs, fighting the stigma associated with the disease of alcoholism and addiction to other drugs. His expertise in addiction medicine extends beyond chemical dependence and includes an intensive, in-depth knowledge of disordered gambling that is informed by his own story of recovery.

Conference Schedule **SUNDAY, OCT. 2, 2011**

9 a.m. – 5 p.m. **REGISTRATION**

10 a.m. – Noon **PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS**

Limited Space, Separate Registration Required

Overcoming Impulse Control Problems—A Guide for Therapists **2 CEUs**

Leader: Jon E. Grant, J.D., M.D., M.P.H., University of Minnesota

Impulse control disorders (ICDs), including pathological gambling and compulsive buying, are characterized by difficulties with resisting urges to engage in behaviors that are excessive and/or ultimately harmful to oneself or others. However, ICDs can be effectively treated with behavioral therapies. Dr. Jon Grant, co-author of the manual, *Overcoming Impulse Control Problems*, will lead a workshop to discuss treatment strategies found to be most effective, using the corresponding therapist guide for the manual.

This workshop is intended for treatment providers in clinical practice. Pre-registration and an additional fee are required.

Motivational Interviewing for Clients with Gambling Problems **2 CEUs**

Leader: David C. Hodgins, Ph.D., University of Calgary

Motivational Interviewing (MI) has been shown to be highly effective when used as a treatment option for a variety of mental health problems, including addiction. Dr. David Hodgins, a gambling researcher and clinical psychologist, will share his latest research on the effectiveness of MI for clients with gambling problems and discuss ways in which clinicians can incorporate MI into their treatment planning.

This workshop is intended for treatment providers in clinical practice. Pre-registration and an additional fee are required.

Developing Competitive Proposals for NCRG and NIH

Leaders: David Takeuchi, Ph.D., University of Washington
Ken C. Winters, Ph.D., University of Minnesota

What constitutes a winning proposal? Why do some applications fail? What are the key ingredients of a proposal competitive for funding from the NCRG and National Institutes of Health (NIH)? A workshop led by experienced reviewers for the NCRG and NIH will answer these and other questions about the review process. Investigators are welcome to bring their ideas for research projects on gambling disorders.

The workshop is complimentary but pre-registration is required.

Noon **BROWN BAG NETWORKING LUNCH** **FOR PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP ATTENDEES**

Complimentary with pre-conference registration

1 – 1:15 p.m. **WELCOME**

Speaker: Glenn Christenson, National Center for Responsible Gaming

1:15 – 2:15 p.m. **PLENARY SESSION**

iBrain: Surviving the Technological Alteration of the Modern Mind **1 CEU**

Speaker: Gary Small, M.D., University of California, Los Angeles

Dr. Gary Small's book, *iBrain*, explores how technology has altered the way young minds develop, function and interpret information. He will discuss the brain's remarkable evolution caused by the constant presence of new technology, separating the digital natives (those born in the computer age) from the digital immigrants (those who discovered computer technology as adults). He argues that all of us must adapt in order to compete and excel in this age of brain evolution, and he will elucidate the strategies and tools needed to enhance our technological, social and empathic abilities.

2:30 – 3:30 p.m. **PLENARY SESSION**

Science vs. Myth: Research on Internet Gambling **1 CEU**

Speaker: Sarah Nelson, Ph.D., Harvard Medical School

It has become conventional wisdom that the factors of easy access and social isolation of Internet gambling make it an especially risky behavior. Are these concerns based on speculation or scientific research? Dr. Sarah Nelson will address this question by reporting on the findings from a pioneering study of the actual wagering transactions of 40,000 online gamblers. Using data reflecting actual gambling patterns, rather than relying on self-report, has yielded some surprising findings about online gambling.

3:30 – 4 p.m. **REFRESHMENT BREAK**

Conference Schedule **SUNDAY, OCT. 2, 2011** continued

4 – 5 p.m.

PLENARY SESSION

The Great Slot Debate: Taking the Mystery out of the Machine

1 CEU

Speakers: Robert Ladouceur, Ph.D., Laval University
Connie Jones, International Game Technology
Lia Nower, Ph.D., Rutgers University

Some believe that electronic gaming machines are inherently “addictive,” and, therefore, should be altered to reduce gambling-related harms. However, does the research support this view of addiction or the attempts to make slot machines and other devices “safer?” The panel will evaluate these concerns in light of the research on this issue.

Attending IAGA or G2E? Register together!

With the move of the NCRG Conference to The Venetian Las Vegas this year comes the opportunity to streamline your gaming education in 2011. The International Association of Gaming Advisors (IAGA) International Gaming Conference as well as Global Gaming Expo 2011 (G2E) will be held in the same location, on either side of the NCRG Conference, this October. In fact, international gaming regulators planning to attend the IAGA event will have access to all NCRG programs on Oct. 2 and 3 as part of their IAGA education package.

**IAGA International Gaming Conference
Sept. 30 – Oct. 2, 2011
www.theiaga.org**

**Global Gaming Expo (G2E)
Oct. 3 – 6, 2011
www.globalgamingexpo.com**

If you plan to attend any combination of these three events, save time and money by registering for them together at www.globalgamingexpo.com.

5:15 – 6:15 p.m.

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Responsible Gaming on the Internet: The bwin.party Case Study

Speaker: Joachim Häeusler, bwin.party digital entertainment

Is it possible to implement effective responsible gaming programs in the online gaming environment? bwin, one of the largest online gambling companies in the world, has a comprehensive “player protection” program. Joachim Häeusler will discuss the program and explain how it is evaluated.

Measuring Outcomes in Residential Treatment **1 CEU**

Speakers: Reece Middleton, Louisiana Association on Compulsive Gambling
Tim Murphy, Ph.D., Bridgeway Recovery Services
Heather Chapman, Ph.D., Louis Stokes Cleveland VAMC

Long-term residential treatment is one treatment option for individuals with a severe gambling disorder. The panelists, who coordinate in-patient treatment programs, will share their perspectives on this form of rehabilitation and address how to measure outcomes from such programs. They will also provide advice for providers who are considering a residential treatment program for gamblers.

Methodological Challenges: Recruiting Youth for Research Projects

Speakers: Linda B. Cottler, Ph.D., M.P.H., University of Florida
Jon E. Grant, J.D., M.D., M.P.H., University of Minnesota

Recruitment of research participants for gambling-related investigations is challenging. It is even more difficult to recruit young people for research projects. Drs. Linda Cottler and Jon Grant have been successful in this area and will share their creative strategies and advice for other researchers interested in working with these populations.

6:15 – 8 p.m.

POSTER SESSION AND RECEPTION

Conference Schedule **MONDAY, OCT. 3, 2011**

7 a.m. – 4 p.m.

REGISTRATION

7 – 8 a.m.

NETWORKING BREAKFAST

OPEN AA/GA MEETING

8 – 9 a.m.

PLENARY SESSION

Path to Recovery: Is Controlled Gambling Possible for Pathological Gamblers? **1 CEU**

Speaker: Wendy Slutske, Ph.D., University of Missouri-Columbia
Abstinence from gambling has been the only acknowledged treatment goal in most pathological gambling interventions. However, a new study from Australia challenges the notion that abstaining from gambling is the only path to recovery. Dr. Wendy Slutske will discuss research that found 90 percent of those in the recovery group participated in some form of gambling in the past year. She will explore the implications of this finding for treatment and interventions.

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

PLENARY SESSION

Modern Medicine: The Impact of the Internet on Health **1 CEU**

Speaker: Sara Kiesler, Ph.D., Carnegie Mellon University
In 2009, approximately 74 percent of U.S. adults said they used the Internet. The rapid expansion of Internet use has greatly increased the amount of health information available to the general public. Using the Internet to obtain health information and resources is very popular with more than 50 percent of users searching for medical information. How does this affect people's well-being, especially their physical and mental health? Dr. Sara Kiesler will share her research findings on this question.

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

PLENARY SESSION

Web-based Interventions for Alcohol Use Disorders: Implications for Gambling **1 CEU**

Speaker: John A. Cunningham, Ph.D., Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Toronto
Internet-based interventions (IBIs) for problem drinkers have been in existence for more than a decade. In that time, IBIs have increased in sophistication, and there is the beginning of a solid research base suggesting they are effective and economical. Dr. John Cunningham will review the research on IBIs and consider lessons that can be learned for the development of IBIs for gambling disorders.

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

NCRG SCIENTIFIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD LUNCHEON

12:45 – 1:45 p.m.

PLENARY SESSION

What the Research Shows: The Latest on Teen Gambling **1 CEU**

Speakers: Randy Stinchfield, Ph.D., University of Minnesota
Marc Potenza, M.D., Ph.D., Yale University

What is the impact of Internet gambling and video games on young people? Are the rates of gambling and problem gambling in this population remaining stable or changing? Drs. Randy Stinchfield and Marc Potenza will address these questions by reporting on the latest research on youth gambling.

2 – 3 p.m.

PLENARY SESSION

Computer-Assisted Versions of Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy **1 CEU**

Speaker: Kathleen M. Carroll, Ph.D., Yale University

A computer-assisted version of cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT) for people struggling with addiction could have benefits (e.g., allowing individualized pace and repetition) or challenges (e.g., the complexity of computerized delivery). Dr. Kathleen Carroll will report on studies analyzing the effectiveness of computer-assisted CBT with drug dependent individuals. She will consider the implications of this research for a similar approach to gambling disorders.

3:15 – 4:15 p.m.

PLENARY SESSION

Voice of Recovery: How the Personal Experience with Gambling Addiction Can Inform Clinical Practice and Research **1 CEU**

Speaker: Scott Teitelbaum, M.D., University of Florida College of Medicine

Dr. Scott Teitelbaum has used his own recovery experience to help build an addiction treatment program at the University of Florida that is nationally recognized for its clinical success and overall excellence. He will discuss how his personal struggle with gambling informs his clinical practice and research.

6:30 – 8 p.m.

G2E WELCOME RECEPTION

Conference Schedule **TUESDAY, OCT. 4, 2011**

9:15 – 10:15 a.m.

PLENARY SESSION

Instant Access: Using the Web to Promote Health and Responsible Gaming **1 CEU**

Speakers: Christine Reilly, National Center for Responsible Gaming
Mark Vander Linden, Iowa Gambling Treatment Program

The Internet has become a key resource for people searching for information and help for all types of health issues. The panel will discuss using the Internet to promote awareness of college gambling issues, the availability of a helpline and responsible gaming messages.

10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

G2E OPENING DAY KEYNOTE ADDRESS

Featuring Penn Jillette of *Penn & Teller*

11:45 a.m. – 12:45 p.m.

PLENARY SESSION

Global View: Responsible Gaming around the World

Speakers: Marcela Gonzales, Instituto de Juegos de Apuestas, GCBA

Responsible gaming statues and regulations are now an inherent component of casino licensing around the world. In order to operate a gaming facility you must, in some fashion, contribute to public education about and provide assistance to those with gambling disorders. But, how do these programs compare across jurisdictions, and to what extent are companies going above and beyond the call of duty? Are there lessons to be learned from one another? During this session, find out how government and operators in gaming markets around the globe are working together to reduce gambling-related harms. The use of science and research to create more effective responsible gaming programs also will be discussed.

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Continuing Education

Conference registrants can earn up to 13 continuing education hours approved by health care certifying agencies

2 hours

Pre-conference Workshop on *Motivational Interviewing* or
Workshop on *Overcoming Impulse Control Problems – A Guide for Therapists*

11 hours

CEU-approved sessions held Sunday afternoon through Tuesday morning

The National Center for Responsible Gaming (NCRG) is approved by the following certifying organizations to offer continuing education:

- NAADAC, The Association for Addiction Professionals (provider # 737)
- The California Foundation for the Advancement of Addiction Professionals (CFAAP) (Provider # OS-02-26-1111)
- The California Board of Behavioral Sciences (approval # PCE 4619)
- National Board for Certified Counselors (NBCC) (provider # 6474)
- The NCRG also is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The NCRG maintains responsibility for this program and its contents.

The 12th Annual NCRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction has received single program approval for 13 continuing education hours by these certifying organizations:

- Employee Assistance Certification Commission

The organizations listed below have approved the continuing education hours offered by previous NCRG Conferences on Gambling and Addiction. The NCRG is currently seeking single program approval of the 2011 conference from these certifying organizations:

- American Academy of Health Care Providers in the Addictive Disorders
- American Compulsive Gambling Counselor Certification Board
- Canadian Addiction Counsellors Certification Federation
- Canadian Problem Gambling Certification Board
- National Association of Social Workers
- National Council on Problem Gambling
- Nevada Board of Examiners for Social Workers

Please contact Christine Reilly (creilly@ncrg.org) for updates on continuing education approvals and to suggest other certifications.

Continuing Legal Education

The NCRG will submit letters to local legal education certifying agencies or prepare letters for individual submission upon the request of conference attendees. Please contact Keli Elkins at kelkins@americangaming.org for more information.

Please visit the Continuing Education page at www.ncrg.org/conference for the most up-to-date information on continuing education program approval for the 12th Annual NCRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction.

Conference Presenter



NATIONAL CENTER FOR RESPONSIBLE GAMING

The National Center for Responsible Gaming (NCRG) is the only national organization exclusively devoted to public education and funding research that will help increase understanding of pathological and youth gambling and find effective methods of treatment for the disorder. Founded in 1996 as a separate 501(c)3 charitable organization, the NCRG is the American Gaming Association's (AGA) affiliated charity. More than \$22 million has been committed to the NCRG through contributions from the casino gaming industry, equipment manufacturers, vendors, related organizations and individuals. Since its founding, the NCRG has mandated stringent firewalls to separate the gaming industry's contributions from the research it funds.

NCRG Centers of Excellence in Gambling Research

During more than a decade of funding research on gambling disorders, the NCRG observed that substantial, multiyear research grants are the most effective vehicles for producing seminal research on gambling disorders. To make such grants more widely available, the NCRG Centers of Excellence in Gambling Research were created in 2009. Based at top-tier research institutions across the country, the NCRG Centers of Excellence located at the University of Minnesota and Yale University employ a long-term, institutional approach to conducting innovative and multidisciplinary research and education programs.

Venue and Accommodations

Conference Venues

The NCRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction will co-locate this year with Global Gaming Expo (G2E) in the Congress Center at The Venetian and The Palazzo Las Vegas, Sunday through Tuesday, Oct. 2 – 4, 2011. G2E, the premier trade show and conference for the international gaming-entertainment industry, will be held Monday through Thursday, Oct. 3 – 6, 2011. For more information about G2E and its programs, visit www.globalgamingexpo.com

Book Now! Special Guest Room Rates

The Venetian and The Palazzo Resort-Hotel-Casino, one of the most beautiful and exciting resorts in the world, is pleased to offer NCRG Conference attendees exceptionally low rates for their all-suite accommodations during the event.

Friday, Sept. 30 through Friday, Oct. 7, a limited number of rooms will be offered at \$162 per night (plus applicable fees, taxes and an optional \$17 daily resort fee, including in-suite Internet, Canyon Ranch Fitness Center access, daily newspaper, local and 800-numbers calls, and similar amenities). **Reservations are available on a first-come, first-served basis and must be made by Tuesday, Sept. 27, 2011 to receive the group rate.** After Sept. 27, rooms and rates are subject to availability.

It is the attendee's responsibility to submit a credit card number, or a deposit equal to one night's room rate, plus tax, as a guarantee at the time of reservation. The attendee's credit card will be charged one night's suite rate plus tax at that time. Room reservations not guaranteed will be automatically canceled by the hotel within 14 days of the reservation date. **After Monday, Aug. 29, 2011 refunds will be issued only in the case of a verifiable personal emergency and the attendee's credit card will be charged for the entire length of their reserved stay.**

Reservations can be made online through a live link and required password available on the Accommodations page at www.ncrg.org/conference.



2011 NCRG Scientific Achievement Award

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

DEADLINE: AUG. 1, 2011

The National Center for Responsible Gaming (NCRG), the largest private source of funding for peer-reviewed research on disordered gambling in the U.S., annually recognizes outstanding contributions to the field of gambling studies with the NCRG Scientific Achievement Award.

Nominations may include:

- Research investigators at any stage in their career whose research has made significant contributions to the knowledge base about gambling disorders;
- Educators who have successfully mentored young investigators in the field or have excelled at promoting public awareness and education about gambling disorders and responsible gaming; and/or
- A recent publication in a scientific, peer-reviewed journal that represents seminal work in the field.

Guidelines for Submitting a Nomination

The nomination package must include the following:

- Letter of recommendation: A detailed letter of recommendation describing the worthiness of the nominee, specifying his or her contribution to the field of gambling studies or the significance of the publication nominated.
- Curriculum vitae (CV): For individual nominees, include an up-to-date CV. For research investigators, include a comprehensive bibliography of the nominee's publications.
- Publications: For research investigators, submit no more than five scientific publications representative of the nominee's work. In the case of a nomination of a publication, include a copy of the published version of the article. The publication must have been published in the same year as or the year prior to the nomination.

Submit nomination materials in PDF format to Christine Reilly, senior research director at the NCRG (creilly@ncrg.org) by Aug. 1, 2011. The selection committee, composed of distinguished scientists in the addictions field, will select one recipient for the 2011 Scientific Achievement Award. The award will be presented during the NCRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction in Las Vegas, Oct. 2–4, 2011.

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Robert Custer, M.D.
Nancy Petry, Ph.D.

2003

Robert Ladouceur, Ph.D.
Marc Potenza, M.D., Ph.D.
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2004

Alexander Blaszczynski, Ph.D.
Jon E. Grant, J.D., M.D., M.P.H.

2005

Ken C. Winters, Ph.D.

2006

Suck Won Kim, M.D.
Rina Gupta, Ph.D.

2007

Howard J. Shaffer, Ph.D., C.A.S.

2008

Marc Potenza, M.D., Ph.D.

2009

Jon E. Grant, J.D., M.D., M.P.H.
Anna Goudriaan, Ph.D.

2010

David C. Hodgins, Ph.D.

Call for Posters

POSTER SESSION: OCT. 2, 2011

DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACTS: AUG. 1, 2011

The NCRG showcases new research on gambling disorders during a poster session and reception held annually at the NCRG Conference on Gambling and Addiction. The poster session on Oct. 2, 2011 is an opportunity for investigators to report their empirical research and converse with conference attendees about their findings. We especially encourage young investigators to submit abstracts.

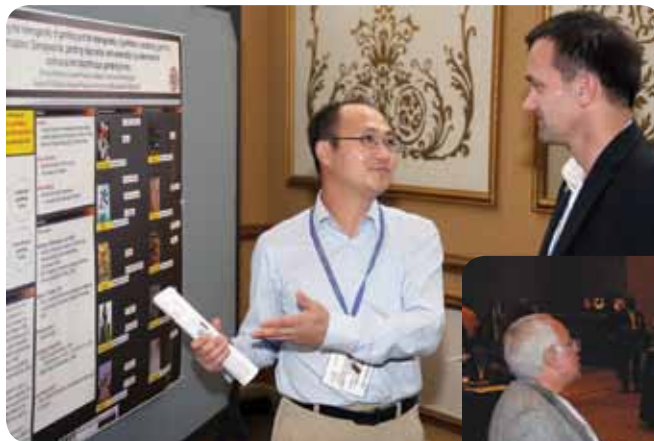
Subject Matter

Posters can focus on any aspect of disordered gambling and must report on empirical research. Abstracts will be reviewed for scientific merit. An award for the outstanding poster will be presented at the conference.

Submission Guidelines

Abstracts, limited to 500 words, should be submitted electronically in MS Word or other word processing software using a font size no smaller than 12 pt. Please include the following information:

1. Title of presentation
2. Name(s) and affiliation(s) of the author(s)
3. Mailing address, telephone and email address of the first author
4. Poster abstract (no more than 500 words). Please follow APA format for text and references. The abstract should address the following:
 - Sample and methods
 - Preliminary findings
 - Implications for the field
5. Digital signature of first author certifying that any work with human or animal subjects in this abstract complies with the guiding policies and principles for experimental procedures of the World Medical Association of Helsinki.



By submitting a poster, at least one author must agree to attend the conference and to participate as the poster presenter. No individual can be first author on more than one abstract.

Send abstract via email to Nathan Smith, program officer at the NCRG (nsmith@ncrg.org) by Monday, Aug. 1, 2011. Questions? Email or call 978-338-6610.



Register by Sept. 12
and save!

Registration

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By Mail:

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Confirmation

Conference registration will be confirmed via e-mail. Please add register@accureg.com to your approved sender list to ensure delivery.

Questions

202-552-2689 or info@ncrg.org

**Cancellations/
Substitutions**

Cancellations and substitutions must be submitted in writing to kelkins@americangaming.org. Substitutions can be made at any time. Cancellations only will be accepted in the case of personal emergency. No refunds will be issued after Sept. 26.

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1. Your Information

Type or print clearly. Name, title, company, city and state will appear on the badge. Complete one form for each attendee. Photocopy for additional registrants.

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If you have special needs, please check this box and a member of our staff will contact you.

2. Registration Information (prepayment is required)

Includes all seminars, materials, poster session, breakfast, breaks, lunch and receptions.

	Early Bird By Sept. 12	Regular	Cost
Registration Fee	<input type="checkbox"/> \$295	<input type="checkbox"/> \$495	
Student Rate	<input type="checkbox"/> \$175	<input type="checkbox"/> \$325	
Workshop: Grant	<input type="checkbox"/> \$45	<input type="checkbox"/> \$55	
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