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Coordinated by the Region 5 Problem Gambling Awareness Team in recognition of  
Problem Gambling Awareness Month

# NOT JUST A GAME

## CT Gambling Expansion and Potential Impacts for Youth

The rapid expansion and normalizing of the media-glamorized commercial gambling industry has led to parents and children gambling together with little to no awareness of problem gambling as an addiction. Many do not even view gambling as a potential harmful activity. Research indicates children are engaging in gambling activities earlier than they are with drugs or alcohol use. Many of these youth do not even know they are engaging in gambling activities.

### Participants will:

- Identify risk and protective factors for developing and preventing problem gambling.
- Describe the impact gambling can have on adolescents.
- Understand specific prevention strategies to implement within communities.



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**Tuesday, March 29**

**11:00AM-1:00PM**

**on Zoom**

**Approved for 2 CEUs**

with the CT Certification Board (CCB) and  
International Gambling Counselor Certification Board (IGCCB)

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