



OFFICE OF PROBLEM GAMBLING
California Department of Alcohol & Drug Programs

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PROBLEM GAMBLING TRAINING SUMMIT 2010



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March 10, 2010

Welcome From Deputy Director Terri Sue Canale

The Office of Problem Gambling (OPG) would like to welcome you to the first annual California Problem Gambling Training Summit. OPG has coordinated this training summit in conjunction with National Problem Gambling Awareness Week, a grassroots public awareness and outreach campaign to educate the general public and health care professional about the warning signs of problem gambling.

The goals of this training summit are to provide insight and education about problem and pathological gambling behaviors and their consequences; to enhance public awareness/professional development regarding the need for innovative collaborative efforts among agencies and other state and national programs expanding the understanding of problem and pathological gambling from a public health perspective; and to expand knowledge about the impacts of problem gambling on communities, businesses, families, and individuals and resources for those seeking help.

Without your participation this training summit would not be possible. By working together we can make a positive difference in the life of the problem and pathological gambler, as well as, their family and their community. We look forward to spending the next two educational days with you, so relax and enjoy.



Terri Sue Canale
Deputy Director, Office of Problem Gambling
Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs

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I would like to extend my gratitude to all who helped make this training summit a reality. Your enthusiasm, dedication, and encouragement contributed to a successful summit. In addition, I truly appreciate our expert presenters for providing a diverse educational experience adding to the quality of California's first Problem Gambling Training Summit.

Terri Sue Canale
Deputy Director
Office of Problem Gambling

AGENDA-AT-A-GLANCE

Wednesday, March 10

8:00 am – 8:30 am	Registration Continental Breakfast
8:30 am – 8:45 am	Welcome
8:45 am – 9:15 am	General Session
9:15 am – 10:00 am	Keynote Presentation
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break
10:15 am – 11:45 am	General Session
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	Luncheon/Guest Speaker
1:00 pm – 2:45 pm	General Session
2:45 pm – 3:00 pm	Break
3:00 pm – 4:30 pm	General Session
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	Reception

Thursday, March 11

8:00 am – 8:30 am	Registration Continental Breakfast
8:30 am – 10:00 am	General Session
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break
10:15 am – 12:00 pm	General Session
12:00 pm – 1:15 pm	Awards Luncheon
1:15 pm – 3:15 pm	General Session
3:15 pm – 3:30 pm	Break
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm	General Session

KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Tim Donaghy

Tim Donaghy made national headlines when, as a referee for the National Basketball League (NBA), he was convicted of wire fraud and exposed for betting on a number of NBA games – including some that he himself served as referee.

Three years later, Mr. Donaghy is in the headlines again for the revelations contained in his book, “Personal Foul” released December 2009. The book details the events leading up to his incarceration – including involvement with the mob – and exposes the culture of gambling that has become prevalent in the NBA.

“Personal Foul” has been featured by over seventy programs, including 60 Minutes, ESPN, Fox’s Your World and CNN Headline News. The saga has unfolded in countless media sources, including New York Times, Washington Post, Philadelphia Daily News, Chicago Tribune and Sports Illustrated. The book is also climbing the charts at an unprecedented rate. In less than two weeks it reached top ten in its category on Amazon.com and sold out of its originally ordered print run.

Tim Donaghy is currently traveling nationwide as a professional speaker to openly discuss how he has managed to battle his gambling addiction, his ongoing struggles with addiction, and the choices that led him to where he is today.



FEATURED PERSONAL STORY

Sean J was born in 1971 and began gambling during elementary school playing marbles and pitching pennies with his classmates. In high school and college he progressed betting heavily on pool and casino games--mostly blackjack and poker. In 1994, after 5 years of wasted college, he dropped out. By 1997, he developed a deep pathological gambling habit, unable to stop. He attended his first 12 step meeting the summer of 1997 and abstained from gambling for almost one year. Unwilling and unaware of the true nature of addiction and recovery, he followed few of the 12 step recovery program suggestions. He eventually stopped going to meetings and began gambling again. Over the next 8 years his gambling became even more pathological. During this time he learned more of his inability to gamble "normally". Each time he gambled his insanity increased and he convinced himself, "this time will be different". During 30 years of gambling, there was a parallel obsession tied directly to gambling - kleptomania. He began a pattern of theft and as the gambling progressed so did his willingness to steal for money. In 2000 he thought he reached a point where his life would change when caught for some of his criminal activity. Instead, his life became progressively worse losing several jobs, ruining his

reputation and wreaking havoc on his relationships. Isolated and living in fear, he continued to gamble and steal for another 5 years. On February 17, 2005 he placed his last bet. Since that day, his life has changed dramatically. He has reached a point to do whatever it takes to never go back to the life he was living. Today it has been more than five years since he placed a bet and more than four years since becoming clean and sober. In recovery he has learned his problem is not gambling, drugs, alcohol, stealing, or any of the many obsessive-compulsion behaviors he engaged in. He suffers from the disease of addiction and to recover, he learned to abstain from all mind-altering mood-changing chemicals and gambling. Today he has more blessings than he could ever imagine: his family is back in his life, more friends than ever, a good job and a business of his own, the opportunity to pursue his continuing education part-time, and a 17 year-old boy he proudly mentors in the Big Brothers Big Sisters program who has become like a son to him. He sponsors several men in various 12 step programs and is very active in recovery. He owes his life to these programs and is committed to doing as much as he can to help educate the public about the disease of addiction in its many forms... especially gambling.

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Wednesday, March 10

8:00 am – 8:30 am Registration
Continental Breakfast

8:30 am – 8:45 am Welcome Terri Sue Canale, Deputy Director
Office of Problem Gambling

Renée Zito, Director
California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs

Michael Cunningham, Chief Deputy Director
California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs

8:45 am – 9:15 am Presentation Dr. Timothy Fong, Co-Director
UCLA Gambling Studies Program

“California Problem Gambling Treatment Services Program”

From legislation to implementation. An overview of training, treatment, and accomplishments in record time.

9:15 am – 10:00 am Keynote Presentation
Tim Donaghy, Author and former NBA referee

“Personal Foul”

A first-person account of how Mr. Donaghy’s sports betting started innocently, but quickly became an obsession and addiction, one that would consume his life and destroy everything he once cherished.

10:00 am – 10:15 am Break

10:15 am – 11:45 am Presentation Gary Lange, Ph.D.

“Liar, Liar, Money’s on Fire: Treating Families of Problem Gamblers”

A look at the tremendous amount of secrecy and manipulation a problem gambler uses to squander any available financial resources, so much so, that their families often feel as though their “money is on fire”.

11:45 am – 1:00 pm Luncheon/Guest Speaker Assembly Member Joe Coto

Assembly Member Joe Coto represents the 23rd District in San Jose. Assembly Member Coto sponsored House Resolution 25 designating the week of March 7 to March 13, 2010 as National Problem Gambling Awareness Week and recognizing the collaborative efforts within California to promote prevention, education, awareness, and treatment of problem gambling issues.

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1:00 pm – 1:15 pm Presentation Assembly Member Mike Eng

The API Legislative Caucus has historically viewed problem gambling as a priority policy issue. During the 2007-2008 Legislative Session, Assembly Bill 1339 outlined treatment services and expanded the roll of the statewide advisory body. Although this bill was vetoed, the API Legislative Caucus views the incoming funds to OPG for initial treatment services as an opportunity to set the stage for future policy discussions and possible legislative proposals regarding the issue of problem gambling.

1:15 pm – 2:45 pm Presentation Alicia DeLeon-Torres, National Director
National Asian Pacific American Families Against Substance Abuse

Vulnerable Populations

An introduction to problem gambling and vulnerable populations is presented focusing on Asian American and Pacific Islander communities including cultural attitude risk factors. Ms. DeLeon-Torres will moderate a panel of personal stories focusing on the Latino, Chinese-Vietnamese, Native Alaskan and Vietnamese cultures

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm Break

3:00 pm – 3:35 pm Presentation Terri Sue Canale, Deputy Director
Office of Problem Gambling

Mike Ryan, Executive Director
California Council on Problem Gambling

Tonya Farrugello, Program Manager
California Council on Problem Gambling

Multi-cultural Website Premiere

The Office of Problem Gambling in collaboration with the California Council on Problem Gambling previews its multi-cultural website for problem and pathological gamblers and their families. Please sit back and enjoy the show!

3:35 pm – 4:15 pm Presentation Dr. Timothy Fong, Co-Director
UCLA Gambling Studies Program

California Problem Gambling Treatment Services Program Advances

A look into the future of problem gambling treatment services for California residents and directly involved affected individuals.

4:15 pm – 4:30 pm Closing Terri Sue Canale, Deputy Director
Office of Problem Gambling

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Reception

Please take this opportunity to assimilate the knowledge gained today, network with friends and colleagues, and get acquainted with speakers who have authored books discussed in the program.

AGENDA

Thursday, March 11

- 8:00 am - 8:30 am Registration
Continental Breakfast
- 8:30 am - Opening Terri Sue Canale, Deputy Director
Office of Problem Gambling
- 8:30 am - 8:45 am Presentation Sean J

Featured Personal Story

From playing marbles and pitching pennies to blackjack and poker, hear first hand how years of pathological gambling wreaked havoc in the life of Sean J.

- 8:45 am - 10:00 am Presentation Jeffrey L. Derevensky, Ph.D.
Rina Gupta, Ph.D.

Parental Attitudes Toward Youth Gambling: Are Parents Part of the Problem or Solution?

Jeffrey Derevensky, Ph.D.
McGill University

Data from a Canadian National Study (2009) seeking to better understand parental perspectives and attitudes toward adolescent gambling is presented. An online survey completed by 2710 parents having children between the ages of 13-18, examined four separate domains; attitudes that parents held toward gambling in comparison to other traditional adolescent risky behaviors, parental gambling behavior, parental and adolescent involvement in gambling, and attitudes/awareness concerning youth gambling education, awareness and prevention programs. The importance of the results for the development of parental awareness programs and prevention campaigns are highlighted.

Uncovering the Different Subtypes of Problem Gamblers: An empirical testing of the Pathways Model and its clinical implications.

Rina Gupta, Ph.D.
McGill University

Results pertaining to the testing of the Pathways Model (Blaszczynski & Nower) with adolescent problem gamblers will be presented. To date, this model (prevalent in gambling literature) had not been empirically tested. While the results pertain to a youth population, it is believed the results have wider application. A better understanding of the different problem gambler typologies translates directly into clinical screening strategies as well as treatment approaches and anticipated outcomes.

10:00 am - 10:15 am Break

- 10:15 am - 11:00 am Presentation Dr. James Kooler, Administrator
California Friday Night Live Partnership
Tulare County Office of Education

Betting On Our Future

Dr. Kooler and students from Sutter/Yuba Friday Night Live will share the process of creating a youth-led and youth-driven awareness campaign on problem gambling. Dr. Kooler will provide insight on the youth development framework and Friday Night Live standards of practice utilized throughout the projects. Youth panelists (Jordan, James, Rayona, Mariah) will share experiences in creating their awareness projects and will showcase a variety of PSA's, documentaries, and video dramas created through a grant from the California Office of Problem Gambling.

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11:00 am - 12:00 pm Presentation Bo Bernhard
Associate Professor
Director, Gambling Research

A Global Problem Gambling Scan: From Sacramento to Singapore-and back again

Dr. Bernhard will examine the ways in which the problem gambling issue has developed globally, with a focus on policy, media coverage, and regulatory approaches on both domestic and international fronts. Particular attention will be paid to an “anthropological imagination” that recognizes cultural nuance while also stressing the importance of “best practice” evidence.

12:00 pm - 1:15 pm Awards Luncheon

1:15 pm - 2:15 pm Presentation Keith Whyte, Executive Director
National Council on Problem Gambling

Gambling – A National Issue

Mr. Whyte will present five reasons problem gambling is a national issue. He will review past and current national efforts to address problem gambling, including current legislation in Congress. Specific tools and recommendations for national advocacy efforts will be reviewed.

2:15 pm - 3:15 pm Presentation I. Nelson Rose, Sr. Professor
Whittier Law School

Compulsive Gambling and the Law: From Sin to Vice to Disease

The idea that an individual cannot control his desire to gamble is changing the way the law treats gambling and gamblers. The conflict between the old view of problem gamblers as being morally weak and the new view that pathological gambling is a treatable disease arises in every context in which the law is involved, from criminal law through family courts to administrative proceedings.

3:15 pm - 3:30 pm Break

3:30 pm - 4:25 pm Moderator Marc Lefkowitz
UCLA Gambling Studies Program

Look, Listen, Learn as Marc moderates a Gamblers Anonymous Open Meeting.

4:25 pm - 4:30 pm Closing Terri Sue Canale, Deputy Director
Office of Problem Gambling

ACHIEVING SUCCESS ONE STEP AT A TIME

The Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs established the Office of Problem Gambling (OPG) in 2003 as a result of Assembly Bill (AB673) (Welfare and Institutions Code §4369). OPG is mandated to provide prevention services, a statewide strategic plan, a toll-free telephone helpline, research, public awareness campaigns, and a program to support treatment services. Since 2003 OPG has:

- Developed a statewide plan to address problem gambling related issues
- Conducted multi-cultural public awareness campaigns focusing on prevention and education
- Provided toll-free helpline telephone services
- Provided training for health care professional, educators, law enforcement agencies, nonprofit organizations, and gambling industry personnel
- Developed a program to support treatment services
 - o Trained over 135 providers, supporting 22 different languages

This stepped approach encompassing a continuum of integrated services including prevention, education, and treatment contribute to OPG's success, one step at a time.

In continuing to achieve success a step at a time, OPG is excited to present, for the first time, awards to successful partners of responsible gambling, government/legislature acknowledging, and treatment services acknowledging continued support to mitigate problem gambling.

This intriguing piece of optical crystal highlights a series of steps that are cut within. One step at a time the eye is lead upward until it reaches the achievement of our partners. In a metaphorical manner, the steps are a statement about each partner's ascent to the top. A minimal design with maximum impact, the award is a fine example of the beauty that resides in simplicity.

With this award we applaud the success of the Viejas Tribal Casino, Mr. Jerome Horton, and Dr. Richard Rosenthal. May this award inspire you on your journey to even greater heights. Congratulations!

Richard J. Rosenthal, M.D.

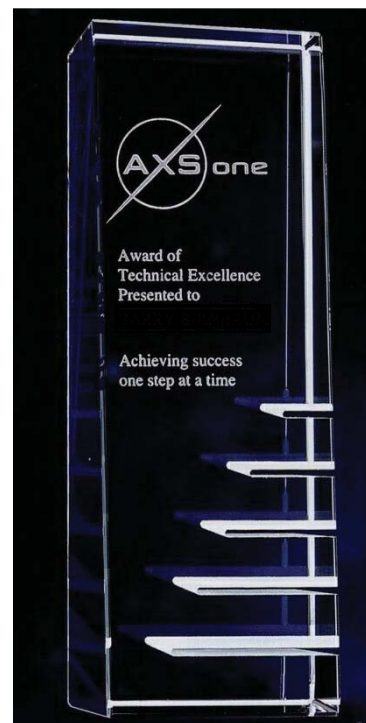
For your contributions and continued support in treating problem gamblers

Viejas Casino

For your commitment to administering a responsible gaming program and continued support to mitigate problem gambling

Jerome Horton

For your commitment to public service and your continued support to improving the lives of problem gamblers



HOUSE RESOLUTION



House Resolution

No. 25

Introduced by Assembly Member Coto

February 10, 2010

WHEREAS, The National Council on Problem Gambling has designated the week of March 7 to March 13, 2010, inclusive, as National Problem Gambling Awareness Week; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Gambling Control within the Department of Justice, the California Gambling Control Commission, the California Horse Racing Board, the California State Lottery, California cardrooms, and California tribal casinos have joined the Office of Problem and Pathological Gambling within the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs and the California Council on Problem Gambling in a concerted effort to promote prevention, education, awareness, and treatment of problem gambling; and

WHEREAS, There is a statewide effort to educate the public about the issue of problem gambling; and

WHEREAS, Problem gambling is a public health issue affecting Californians of all ages, races, and ethnic backgrounds in all communities and has a significant societal and economic cost; and

WHEREAS, Treatment for problem gambling is effective and minimizes the harm done by problem gambling to individuals and to society as a whole; and

WHEREAS, Numerous individuals, professionals, and organizations have coordinated their efforts to better educate the public about problem gambling and the availability and effectiveness of treatments; and

WHEREAS, The Bureau of Gambling Control within the Department of Justice, the California Gambling Control Commission, the California Horse Racing Board, the California State Lottery, California cardrooms, and California tribal casinos have joined the Office of Problem and Pathological Gambling within the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs and the California Council on Problem Gambling in inviting all residents of the state to participate in National Problem Gambling Awareness Week; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Assembly of the State of California, that the week of March 7 to March 13, 2010, inclusive, be recognized as National Problem Gambling Awareness Week and the agencies and organizations described above be commended for their concerted effort to raise public awareness of problem gambling; and be it further

Resolved, That the Chief Clerk of the Assembly transmit copies of this resolution to the author for distribution.

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Dr. Bo J. Bernhard is an honors graduate of Harvard University, where he double majored in Sociology and Psychology. Since 2002, he has served as the Director of Gambling Research at the University of Nevada Las Vegas (UNLV) International Gaming Institute, where he holds associate professorships in the departments of hotel management and sociology.

Dr. Bernhard's research publications have emphasized an evaluation of gaming's impacts from a perspective that blends macro insights from sociology, economics, and anthropology with the micro applications of psychology. During his career, he has delivered over five dozen keynote addresses and more than 100 academic presentations on all six inhabited continents. In addition, he has provided testimony in front of a number of state and federal bodies, and consulted on policy matters in South Korea, Australia, Canada, Portugal, Brazil, Singapore, South Africa, Vietnam, and Russia.

At UNLV, Bo delivered a commencement address in 2002 and won the "International Scholar" faculty award in 2005. In 2006, his teaching and research emphasis on globalization earned him the World Affairs Council's "International Educator of the Year" award. In 2008, he was awarded the Boyd Distinguished Professor Award for outstanding researcher in his college, and he was also given the Spanos Teaching Award, which is an annual award given to the university's top teacher. A fifth-generation Las Vegan, he welcomed the sixth generation to town this past summer.

Terri Sue Canale began her State service career with the California Department of Corrections 17 years ago, where she served in the Human Resources field for seven years. In 1999, Ms. Canale transferred to the Department of Justice, Division of Gambling Control. Working with the Division, she established the Responsible Gambling Program in 2005, while providing oversight to the Research, Regulations, and Legislative Programs, as well as creating the Charitable Gambling Program. Recently, November 2008, she was appointed as the Deputy Director of the California Department of Alcohol

and Drug Program's Office of Problem Gambling.

During her tenure with the Department of Justice, Ms. Canale received the Attorney General's Award for Excellence in 2000 and the Attorney General's Award for Excellence in Supervision in 2007. Ms. Canale served on the Board of Directors for the North American Gaming Regulators Association (NAGRA) for three years, representing the Western US Region. Currently, she is a committee member of the NAGRA Responsible Gambling Committee and the National Council on Problem Gambling Conference, Legal/Responsible Gaming Committee.

Joe Coto, a lifelong Democrat, represents the 23rd Assembly District. Assemblymember Coto is currently serving his third term in the California Assembly. His agenda in the Legislature continues to focus on making California's schools the best in the nation. He is also striving to ensure that all of California's children have health insurance and are provided with the ability to experience the American dream. This dream includes going to college, securing a good paying job, and owning a home.

Assemblymember Coto was also appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly to serve as Chair of the Governmental Organization Committee. In addition, he serves on the following committees: Elections and Redistricting, Revenue and Taxation, Appropriations, and the Joint Legislative Audit Committee. Mr. Coto also chaired the Select Committee on Urban Education and serves on Select Committee on Biotechnology and the Select Committee on Child/Adolescent Health and Safety.

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Michael Cunningham has had a long and varied career in health and human service policy, administration and program development. Michael is currently the Chief Deputy Director for the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs. He is responsible for operational management of the Department's programs and services. Michael has more than 30 years of experience in managing, directing and consulting with agencies regarding alcohol and other drug prevention and treatment programs. Michael began his career directing community based residential treatment programs and youth prevention programs. He has also directed the operations of a national public health consulting company. In that capacity he has directed the delivery of training and TA for the federal government and numerous states and local communities on alcohol and other drug policy, program development and delivery. Among his many achievements are the establishment of a national framework for developing community prevention services, facilitating the development of the California Outcome Measurement System, the establishment of both the California Access to Recovery youth treatment program and the California Screening and Brief Intervention program and directing the initiative to reengineer California's statewide system of services. Michael received his Bachelors of Arts degree in Political Science from California State University Los Angeles and Masters of Arts in Government from Claremont Graduate University.

Alicia DeLeon-Torres is the National Director at National Asian Pacific American Families Against Substance Abuse (NAPAFASA). She has over 20 years of experience in substance abuse, mental health, and public health fields at the Federal, State, and county levels as well as with community-based, non-profit agencies. Ms. DeLeon-Torres has extensive prevention background in other related matters such as youth suicide, gangs, and youth violence, among others.

Jeffrey L. Derevensky, Ph.D., is a child psychologist; Professor of School/Applied Child Psychology; and Professor, Department of Psychiatry at McGill University. He is a clinical consultant to numerous hospitals, school boards,

government agencies and corporations. Dr. Derevensky has published widely in the field of youth gambling, is on the editorial board of several journals, and is an internationally recognized scholar in the field of gambling. He is co-director of the McGill University's Youth Gambling Research & Treatment Clinic and the International Centre for Youth Gambling Problems and High-Risk Behaviors.

Mike Eng represents the 49th Assembly District, which is located within eastern Los Angeles County and includes the cities of Alhambra, El Monte, Monterey Park, Rosemead, San Gabriel, San Marino, and South El Monte. His top legislative priorities include addressing California's transportation infrastructure needs, "green" job creation, tackling the underground economy by going after tax cheats, advocating for stronger consumer protections, fighting for groundwater cleanup in the San Gabriel Valley and throughout the state, eliminating health disparities amongst underserved communities, and confronting the growing problem of hate crimes in California and the rest of the nation.

Assemblymember Eng chairs the State Assembly Transportation Committee, which oversees the work of the state Office of Traffic Safety, the High Speed Rail Authority, and the Departments of Transportation, Motor Vehicles, California Highway Patrol and Air Resources (for mobile source emissions). Consequently, the Committee develops policies for a broad range of issues such as those related to vehicle license and registration, the State Highway System, local streets and roads, transit, general aviation, fuels, rules of the road, and rail.

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Tonya Farrugello is the Program Manager for the California Council on Problem Gambling. She has over 10 years of administrative experience and is now responsible for administering various programs and projects including a statewide problem gambling helpline, literature distribution, clinical training, counselor certification program, employee awareness training, and a casino responsible gaming certification program.

Previously, Ms. Farrugello worked as a Project Coordinator for a casino in San Diego, California. She received her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with emphasis in Management, a minor in Industrial/Organizational Psychology. Ms. Farrugello has Masters Degree (MBA) in Business Administration.

Timothy W. Fong, MD is an Assistant Clinical Professor of Psychiatry at the Semel Institute for Neuroscience and Human Behavior at UCLA. Dr. Fong completed his undergraduate and medical school at Northwestern University in Chicago. He then came to UCLA and finished his residency in adult general psychiatry in 2002 and was the first accredited addiction psychiatry fellow at the UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute (2002-2004).

Currently, he is co-director of the UCLA Gambling Studies Program and is the director of the UCLA Addiction Psychiatry Fellowship. The purpose of the UCLA Gambling Studies Program is to examine the underlying causes and course of problem and pathological gambling and to develop effective, evidence-based treatments. It does this through a collaborative network of academic researchers and treatment providers located throughout the state and at a national level. Recent research projects include examining the impact of pathological gambling on Asian Pacific Islander communities and characterizing Internet gambling patterns of undergraduate students. Other active research projects include drug development trials, developing evidenced-based treatments and characterizing the neurobiological alterations of pathological gambling.

Rina Gupta, Ph.D., is a practicing child psychologist and is co-director of the International Centre for Youth Gambling problems and High-Risk Behaviors at McGill University. She has dedicated her professional career to the study of gambling behavior, specializing in youth. Her early work testing a general theory of addictions was recognized with the Doctoral Dissertation Award by the National Council on Problem Gambling. More recently, Dr. Gupta was honored by the National Centre for Responsible Gambling's Young Researcher award in 2006. Dr. Gupta's current research focuses primarily on the prevention of gambling problems among youth. She has published widely and sits on the editorial board of the Journal of Gambling Studies. Over the years, she has worked hard to effect social change and has been invited to provide expert testimony before a number of governmental committees internationally.

Dr. James Kooler is the administrator for the California Friday Night Live Partnership. Dr. Kooler provides leadership and support to 54 county Friday Night Live programs. From his office at the Tulare County Office of Education, with support from the State Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs, Office of Problem Gambling and the Office of Traffic Safety, he leads the implementation of Friday Night Live, Club Live, Friday Night Live Kids, Friday Night Live Mentoring the California Youth council, Life Plan, and Betting On Our Future.

He is a strong ally to young people and has worked in the prevention field for 25 years. He previously was the director of the Governor's Mentoring Partnership, leading the California Mentoring movement and a mentor himself. He also served as Deputy Director for the Prevention Services Division at the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs.

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Gary Lange, Ph.D. specializes in treating gamblers and their families. Dr. Lange is a licensed Marriage and Family Therapist in private practice in Rancho Mirage, CA. He holds a National and California Certification as a Gambling Counselor and is Chair of the Training Committee for the California Council on Problem Gambling. Additionally, he is a Certified Addictions Specialist and has been a professor of Psychology with California State University, Palm Desert campus for the past twelve years.

Dr. Lange has done numerous professional presentations on problem gambling as well as the quarterly trainings for counselors seeking their Certification as a Gambling Counselor. Past topics have included, "You Bet Your Life" and "When Luck Runs Out". He has published articles for The Counselor and National Psychologist magazines. Recently, Dr. Lange presented at the Korean racing Authority's UCan Center in Seoul, South Korea.

Marc Lefkowitz achieved his California Gambling Counselor Certification in 1999. He achieved his Drug/Alcohol Certification (2001) and an AS in Human Services at Saddleback College (2002). He is Director of Training for the California Council on Problem Gambling, problem gambling consultant for NAPAFASA and is a program coordinator for the UCLA gambling studies program. As an educator he is an adjunct instructor at Pierce College and San Bernardino Valley College. He has developed "Gambling Relapse Prevention Classes" for clients with other addictions and/or mental health issues and often speaks to the general public or other health care professionals in respect to problem gambling. Marc has also developed one of the most comprehensive responsible gaming programs, and has trained over 25,000 casino employees. Marc is most proud of his 26 years of personal abstinence and recovery from gambling as a member of an international 12-step gambling recovery program. He has extensive knowledge in the 12-step gambling program on both the Recovery and Unity Programs and was an International Trustee and Chairman of the Board of Directors.

Professor I. Nelson Rose is a Distinguished Senior Professor at Whittier Law School and a Visiting Professor at the University of Macau, an internationally known scholar, author and public speaker, and is recognized as one of the world's leading experts on gaming law.

Prof. Rose is best known for his internationally syndicated column and 1986 landmark book, "GAMBLING AND THE LAW®." www.GAMBLINGANDTHELAW.com. He is the co-author of INTERNET GAMING LAW (2nd edition 2009) and the first casebook on the subject, GAMING LAW: CASES AND MATERIALS. Prof. Rose is co-editor-in-chief of the Gaming Law Review and Economics.

Harvard Law School educated, Prof. Rose is a consultant to governments and industry and has testified as an expert witness in the United States, Australia and New Zealand. Prof. Rose has acted as a consultant to tribes, major law firms, international corporations, and local, state and national governments, including the provinces of Québec and Ontario, the states of Arizona, California, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Michigan, New Jersey, Texas, and the federal governments of Canada, Mexico and the United States.

Mike Ryan is the Executive Director of the California Council on Problem Gambling. Ryan has over 20 years of management, sales, marketing and fundraising experience in the private sector and is a member of the National Council on Problem Gambling's (NCPG) Federal Affairs Committee. He was named 2009 Advocate of the Year by NCPG and has appeared on a television show about sports gambling featured on the Big Ten Network.

Ryan is a recovering problem gambler who decided to combine his business experience with his personal story to assist those who have struggled with this insidious disease.

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Keith Whyte is the Executive Director of the National Council on Problem Gambling, the national advocate for programs and services to assist problem gamblers and their families. Keith has been involved in gaming and problem gambling issues for more than fourteen years, and has over nineteen years of public policy experience at the national level. He has written extensively and frequently comments on gaming-related issues in media worldwide. Keith serves on numerous editorial and advisory boards.

Renée Zito was appointed Director of the California Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs by Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger on February 22, 2007.

In her role she will lead the State's alcohol and drug treatment and prevention efforts. She oversees approximately 300 employees in the Department and is responsible for an annual budget of \$600 million, which includes funding for both the federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant and the Drug Medi-Cal program.

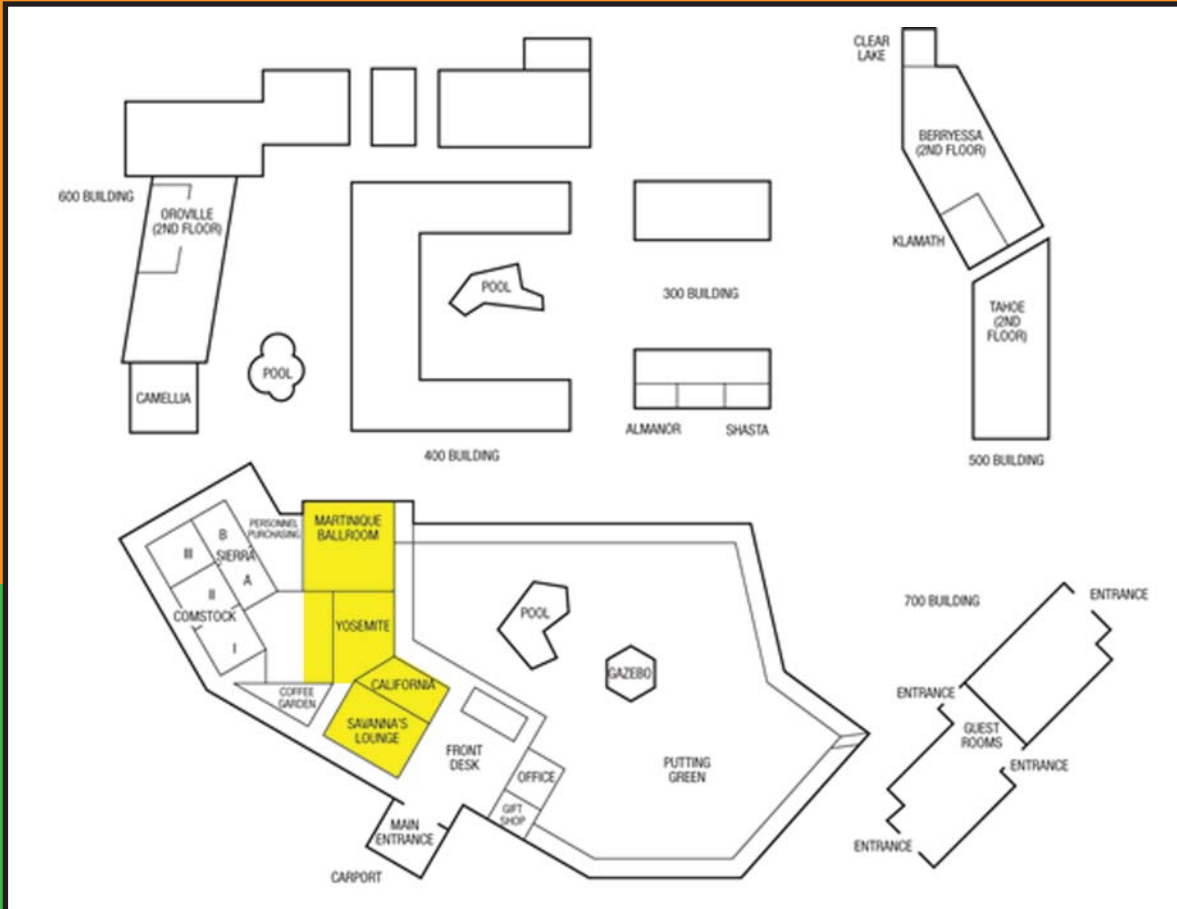
Renée's extensive background in the treatment field brings a unique perspective to the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs. Throughout her career Renée has always had an interest in women's issues. Renée previously served as director of programs at Marin Services for Women since 2000, where she oversaw and managed the staff for the residential and outpatient programs, housing and education services, as well as the admission department. She was able to successfully expand treatment services transforming Marin County from a 12 bed facility to a 40 bed facility.

She also served as executive director of Hazelden Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment Center in New York. Under her leadership, Hazelden went from a halfway house to a treatment center providing a full continuum of services. Prior to that, she was director of treatment at Smithers Alcoholism Rehabilitation Center of the St. Luke's/ Roosevelt Hospital Center.

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