### For more information

Washington State Department of Social and Health Services – Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery

**Problem Gambling Program** 

360-725-3713

https://www.dshs.wa.gov/problemgambling

**Evergreen Council** on **Problem Gambling** 

360-352-6133

www.evergreencpg.org

**National Council on Problem Gambling** 

www.ncpgambling.org

**Gamblers Anonymous** 

www.gamblersanonymous.org

Gam Anon

www.gam-anon.org



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## Problem Gambling Affects Everyone



"I didn't think
I could get addicted
to gambling –
I thought
I would recognize
the signs"

– a 38-year old Helpline caller

Washington State
Problem Gambling Helpline

1-800-547-6133

## Questions to ask yourself to see if you might need help:

- Am I spending more time and more money on gambling?
- Am I spending a lot of time thinking about gambling?
- Have I tried to cut back or stop, but can't?
- Am I irritable or restless when I can't gamble?
- Does gambling help me escape the troubles of life and make me feel better?
- Have I gone back another day to win back my losses?
- Have I lied to people I care about to hide my gambling?
- Have I taken money that wasn't mine, written bad checks because of my gambling, or broken other laws?
- Have I neglected my family or job because of gambling?
- Have I borrowed money from others to pay bills?

#### Help is available.

If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, you can find the treatment program near you by calling:

1-800-547-6133

The call is free. It's confidential.

The time is now.

# When gambling causes problems with your health, your relationships, your job and your life... It's time to make a call.

More than 75,000 Washington State residents have a gambling problem. For each gambler, several other lives are affected.

Problem gambling does not discriminate – it can happen to anyone.

For help. For answers. For you or someone you know, call us.

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Calling this number could be your best bet ever.



"My husband has gambled away all of our retirement savings"

– a Helpline caller