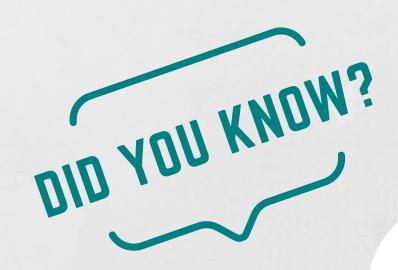
Problem Gambling Awareness in Western CT



Sports betting and online gambling are now legal in CT

17% of youth in the region reported gambling 1 or more times in last 12 months*

The National Council on Problem Gambling estimates 2 million adults in the U.S. have a gambling addiction An early big win is a risk factor for problem gambling

CT has a voluntary self-exclusion process

*2019 Attitudes and Behaviors Survey data from 6 school districts



For those negatively affected by gambling, a *free helpline* and *chat* are available 24/7 at ccpg.org/chat





MCCA - Bettor Choice treatment provider

- Programs in: Danbury, New Milford, Torrington, and Waterbury
- Outpatient treatment includes: individual and group counseling, psychiatric evaluation and couples & family counseling
- Short-term inpatient treatment available in Danbury

All services at little to no cost to the clients and their families.

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We are neither for nor against gambling

Our Mission: to raise awareness about problem gambling, promote harm reduction, and connect people in our communities to help if needed

Our team is comprised of various stakeholders who meet monthly to share trends and implement strategies to mitigate risk

Interested in joining us? Visit our webpage: wctcoalition.org/region5problemgamblingteam

Call to Action



- Share this flyer within your community
- Visit our website for downloadable fact sheets and other resources you can share
- Follow wetcoalition and CT Council on Problem Gambling on social media
- Display print materials in spaces you occupy (the team can provide these)
- Contact <u>khanley@wctcoalition.org</u> for more details.





