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# 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 <u>risk and protective factors</u> for developing and preventing problem gambling.
- Describe the <u>impact</u> gambling can have on adolescents.
- Understand <u>specific prevention strategies</u> 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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