2008 Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling & Substance Abuse

St. Louis, MO

Conference Program

Presented by:
Midwest Consortium on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse

Hosted by:
Missouri Alliance to Curb Problem Gambling

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Prairielands ATTC

Roads to Recovery –
A Collaborative Approach
See you in St. Louis!

Don’t forget to check out the information about:
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August 13, 2008

The Midwest Consortium on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse welcomes you to the 2008 Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse, St. Louis, MO, and the Crowne Plaza-Clayton. We are pleased that you have recognized our efforts in bringing recent knowledge in problem gambling and substance abuse research, policy, industry, therapeutic justice and treatment to the Midwest. As you develop your career, we believe that you will enjoy and find value in the presentations and interactions of which the upcoming three days promise to hold.

We look forward to our continued communication with you as we work towards our shared goal of spreading best practice knowledge to enhance service to those who battle addictive and compulsive behaviors. Please feel free to actively participate in the plenary and presentation discussions.

We hope that you find this conference truly rewarding and fulfilling. Also, we strongly value your opinions on the topics and activities you feel have been the most beneficial to you, as well as your suggestions for improvement. Many of the changes in this year’s conference were incorporated as a result of feedback received from the past Midwest Conference evaluations. Therefore, please complete and return the 2008 conference evaluations so that we can use your comments in developing the 2009 conference collaboration with the National Council on Problem Gambling.

Once again, the Midwest Consortium extends a warm welcome to the 2008 Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse.

On behalf of the Midwest Consortium on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse representing Missouri, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska and Oklahoma,

Anne Helene Skinstad, PhD
Candace Peters, MA, CADC
Prairielands Addiction Technology Transfer Center (PAATT)

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August 13, 2008

Dear Conference Participants:

The Iowa Department of Public Health is pleased to welcome you to the 2008 Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling & Substance Abuse. Since 1986, the Department has worked to reduce the negative effects of problem gambling by providing a range of treatment and education services.

Just as the nature of the problem gambling has changed over time so must our efforts. The Midwest Conference is an opportunity to share the most recent research, wisdom and experience which in turn allows us to better serve those affected by substance abuse and problem gambling.

It is very exciting to see Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska and Oklahoma collaborating to hold this event. Such collaboration is particularly timely in a climate of revenue shortfalls and unprecedented expansion of gambling opportunities.

We would also like to extend a sincere thank you to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration and to all the co-sponsors who have made this event possible.

On behalf of the Iowa Department of Public Health and its Iowa Gambling Treatment Program, we sincerely hope you enjoy the conference and find the sessions useful in the important work you do.

Sincerely,

Kathy Stone, MBA, LMSW
Director, Division of Behavioral Health
August 13, 2008

Dear Midwest Conference Participants:

On behalf of the Kansas Department of Social and Rehabilitation Services, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2008 Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse. SRS and Addiction and Prevention Services is a proud supporter of this conference and its efforts to increase the knowledge and skills of our mental health and addiction services workforce.

In Kansas, the establishment of dedicated funds for the prevention and treatment of problem gambling and addictions has become a priority. With this additional funding comes an even greater responsibility to deliver timely and effective services to those who still suffer from these complex disorders. The Midwest Conference is an excellent opportunity for mental health and addiction professionals to learn from nationally recognized experts, discover available resources and network with other professionals committed to delivering quality services.

Kansas is pleased to be a part of the Midwest Consortium and the dedicated individuals from Iowa, Missouri, Nebraska, and Oklahoma. Thank you for your efforts in making this conference possible.

Sincerely,

David Dickinson
Director
Addiction and Prevention Services
Social and Rehabilitation Services
August 13, 2008

Dear Conference Participants:

It is my pleasure to welcome you to St. Louis, Missouri, for the 5th Annual Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse. This year’s conference theme is “Roads to Recovery – A Collaborative Approach.” This appropriately makes reference to the multiple resources that might be utilized in one’s recovery. This conference, too, represents an impressive collaborative effort made by numerous organizations and agencies within the states of Missouri, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, and Oklahoma. The Missouri Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse is proud to again be a part of this valuable and widely-respected training event.

Although only four to five percent of individuals who gamble have serious personal, financial, vocational or legal problems, it is our goal to ensure that help is available for all individuals who need it. I am proud of the services Missouri has in place to assist problem gamblers and their families and am pleased that we have this opportunity to raise awareness and educate professionals about this less understood addiction.

Thank you for your interest and participation in the conference. I hope you enjoy your stay in St. Louis and that you find the information offered by the impressive roster of presenters to be of benefit to you in your daily work.

Sincerely,

Mark Stringer
Director

The Department of Mental Health does not deny employment or services because of race, sex, creed, marital status, religion, national origin, disability or age of applicants or employees.
August 13, 2008

Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse

Dear Participant:

The Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health welcomes you to the 5th Annual Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse: Roads to Recovery – A Collaborative Approach.

I am proud to be a part of the collaboration among the states of Iowa, Kansas, Oklahoma, Missouri and Nebraska in partnership with the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, Prairielands Addiction Technology Transfer Center and the Midwest Consortium on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse in bringing this timely conference to you. In addition to the numerous government agencies, many organizations in each state have contributed significant resources to make this event possible. I would like to express my sincere gratitude to each supporter and co-sponsor for their important contribution.

With the probability of continued expansion of gambling opportunities on the horizon, the Division of Behavioral Health is committed to supporting the Gamblers Assistance Program in its mission to reduce the impact of problem gambling in Nebraska. I applaud your efforts to increase prevention initiatives, provide education, spread awareness and improve services for problem gambling and co-occurring substance use disorders. Participation in this event, and others focusing on problem gambling, will enable you to provide services that are sensitive to the needs of those we all serve.

On behalf of the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, the Division of Behavioral Health and the Gamblers Assistance Program, I wish you an inspirational conference experience and look forward to assisting you in addressing the needs of problem gamblers and their families in the future.

Very truly yours,

Scot L. Adams, Ph.D., Director
Division of Behavioral Health
Department of Health and Human Services

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Welcome to the 5th Annual Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse

Conference Tips

❖ Workshops are designed for people with a wide range of involvement in providing services for clients with gambling problems and/or substance abuse concerns. Participants include clinicians, researchers, public policy makers, industry, law enforcement, and those in recovery, as well as their family members.
  o Participants are responsible for picking up their Continuing Education Units (CEU) certificate from the designated area PRIOR TO LEAVING the conference.
❖ Message Board, located at the Conference Registration Desk, is available for posting and checking messages.
❖ Meals and snack breaks are served only at the times noted in the agenda.
  o Welcome Reception on Aug. 13 includes coffees, tea, hot and cold hor d’oeuvres and desserts.
  o Continental breakfast on Aug. 14-15 includes seasonal fresh fruit, assorted breakfast pastries, muffins, assorted yogurts, coffees, teas, and chilled juices.
  o Morning breaks: Coffee, soft drinks, bottled waters, and fruit juices.
  o Afternoon snack breaks: Assorted freshly baked cookies, brownies, dry snacks, soft drinks, mineral waters, juices, teas, and coffee.
  o Plated lunch – Thursday, Aug. 14: Fresh Garden Salad, Roast Baron of Beef, Chef’s Selection of Potato/Pasta/Rice, Seasonal Vegetables; and Apple Pie.
  o Plated lunch – Friday, Aug. 15: Fresh Garden Salad, Chicken Supreme (boneless chicken breast, breaded, sautéed, and served with a light sauce), Chef’s Selection of Potato/Pasta/Rice, Seasonal Vegetables; and Black Forest Cake.
  o Vegetarian and other special diet meals are available – please sign up at the Registration Desk, so that we can inform the caterer of the quantity needed.
  o Evening meals are the responsibility of the participant. Be sure to check out the opportunity to enjoy the optional Blues at the Zoo Dinner Reception on Thursday evening (see page 11, or the registration desk for details).
  o Meals and snack breaks provide an excellent opportunity to network with participants from your own state, as well as from other states.
❖ Sessions may be videotaped and/or audiotaped. If you wish to minimize your presence on videotaped sessions, please sit near the rear of the room.
  o These tapes may be available for a nominal charge.
❖ We value your opinion! Please share your suggestions and comments as to how we can better serve your professional needs with this conference on the evaluation forms.
❖ We appreciate your assistance in conserving natural and fiscal resources. Please return your name badge holder to the registration desk at the conclusion of the conference.
❖ If you have any questions or require assistance, please go to the registration desk, located on the 1st Floor.
  o Conference Committee and Staff can also be identified by the ribbons on their name badges.
Hotel Information: Crowne Plaza Hotel - Clayton

Floor Maps for conference events

SEVENTH FLOOR – CRYSTAL BALLROOM

Keynote Addresses, Lunches, General Sessions/ Plenar Panels

Welcome Reception, Exhibits, Posters Sessions, Bookstore & Signings Breakfasts, Breaks

Exhibits, Elevators (2 banks of 2 elevators)

Exhibits, Beverage Stations Restrooms

LOBBY LEVEL

Concurrent Sessions A & F Conference Office, Speaker Ready Room

Conference Registration Desk

Drive To Garage 2nd Floor Fitness Center Executive Sales Office

HOTEL ENTRY UNLOADING ZONE

Lower Level Unloading Area

Drive To Garage

LOBBY LEVEL - MAIN BUILDING

1012 1010 Bus, Exit

1022 1024 Indoor/Outdoor Pool

1026 Gift Shop

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1032

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Stairway down to Grand Ballroom Stamford & Windsor

SUTTON YORK STARHED BEDFORD FRONT DESK Convention Service Desk
**LOWER LOBBY LEVEL – LONDON ROOM AND CLAYTON BALLROOM**
(can be accessed via stairs to the right of the conference registration desk; a stair-free access is also available just outside of the hotel’s main entrance).

**LOWER LEVEL / GRAND BALLROOM (STAMFORD, WINDSOR)**

**Hotel Services and Amenities**
- Business Center (Lobby Level)  
- Sauna and Indoor/Outdoor Heated Pool  
- Attached Covered Garage  
- Shuttle Service within 3-mile radius  
- Free High Speed wireless Internet access  
- 24-hour Fitness Center  
- Free Kids Game Room  
- Gift Shop  
- Safe Deposit Boxes available at Front Desk  
- CD/Alarm Clock Radio

**Points of Interest**
- Forest Park  
- St. Louis Zoo  
- St. Louis Science Center  
- City Museum  
- Botanical Gardens  
- St. Louis Arch  
- The Muny Theater  
- Grant’s Farm  
- The Fabulous Fox Theater  
- Washington University

**Restaurant**
Plaza Grill and Restaurant (Classic American menu; breakfast, lunch, & dinner)
Don’t Miss The Food & Fun on Thursday Night!

BLUES AT THE ZOO
AUGUST 14, 2008
Hosted by the Midwest Consortium on Problem Gambling & Substance Abuse

Experience the heart of St. Louis by joining us for an evening of blues music at the St. Louis Zoo in Forest Park. While enjoying a buffet dinner on the scenic covered patio of the Lakeside Café take the opportunity to network with colleagues or simply enjoy St. Louis culture and a live blues performance.

Tickets / Pre-registration Required:
$25.00 per person through July 31;
$50.00 at the Conference Registration Desk, pending availability
Additional tickets can be purchased if you would like to bring a guest(s)

We hope to see you at the Zoo!

This event is partially sponsored by:
the Iowa Gaming Association and the Missouri Gaming Association

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:
4:45-10:00 p.m. ~ Roundtrip transportation will be provided from the conference hotel to the Zoo. Shuttles schedule to depart locations approximately every 30 minutes.
5:00-7:00 p.m. ~ You may enjoy any of the world-class Zoo exhibits until the Zoo closes to the public at 7 p.m. Then come on over and join us at the Lakeside Café, conveniently located in the center of the Zoo.
7:00-7:30 p.m. ~ Animal greeters will be available for your enjoyment from 7 to 7:30 p.m. to welcome you to the Lakeside Café.
7:30 p.m. ~ Buffet dinner will be available for your dining pleasure inside the Lakeside Café – you may dine inside the Café, or on the covered patio.
7:30-9:30 p.m. ~ Enjoy live blues music on the covered patio.
10:00 p.m. ~ Don’t miss the bus! Last shuttle is scheduled to depart the South entrance at 10:00 p.m.

FARE OF THE EVENING:

Pasta Italiano Station
• Shell and Linguini Pasta
• Marinara, Alfredo, and Bolognese Sauces
• Sun-dried Tomatoes, Parmesan Cheese, Spinach, Mushrooms, Broccoli, Black Olives, Tomatoes and Italian Bread
• Grilled Chicken

Salad Station
• Romaine, Garden Greens Mix, and Baby Spinach
• Croutons, Parmesan Cheese, Pimientos, Red Onions, Black Olives, Tomatoes, Mushrooms, Cheddar Cheese, Carrots, Diced Bacon, Sunflower Seeds, Fresh Herbs, and Alfalfa Sprouts
• Grilled Chicken is available at the Pasta Italiano Station
• choice of Three Dressings

Carving Station
• Honey Mustard Glazed Baked Ham
• Petite Assorted Rolls and Breads
• Served with Mayo Blend and Stone Ground Mustard

Dessert Station – Gourmet Chocolate Fountain
• Pretzels, Fresh Strawberries, Bananas, and Graham Crackers
Exciting New Midwest Conference Bookstore ~
*Now Includes Options to Place Special Orders, Pre-Purchase Items, and More!*

The bookstore at the 2008 Midwest Conference (and our future events) will be like none we have ever had before. We will again have book signing opportunities with conference presenters who have published books. Some of the exciting new benefits of the new conference bookstore include the following:

- Discount for the buyer on all purchases through the bookstore – whether purchased before, during, or even after the conference;
- Free shipping or handling on all purchased items picked up at the Midwest Conference;
- Your purchase helps to keep registration rates for future events low…the Midwest Consortium will receive a portion of the original price to support the 2009 Midwest Conference and other future professional development events;
- Attendees can pre-purchase items on the book list to guarantee a copy at the conference (or because they must receive pre-authorization from their employer/agency for the purchase);
  - Isn’t the item you want to purchase on the book list? No problem…
  - Special orders for books and print resources can be pre-purchased and picked up at the conference;
- Special orders can also be placed at the conference, as well as for a limited time following the conference. Since these orders will need to be shipped by the Midwest Consortium to you, a shipping fee will be added to these orders.

You still receive the discount, and the 2009 Midwest Conference still receives a revenue share of all special orders!

We are delighted to be working with Downtown Book & Toy in Jefferson City, MO, and truly appreciate their willingness to provide this service to our conference. If you have any questions, please contact Melissa Stephens at 573-526-4080.

*Thank you for supporting the Midwest Conference Bookstore!*
Professional Conference Etiquette

**Be Patient** - With approximately 350+ participants expected in attendance, there may/will be waiting. Please be patient and gracious to all of the volunteers and staff who are working hard to make this an excellent conference. We welcome your suggestions.

**Be on Time** - Please arrive to all sessions on time. It is difficult for both the presenters and the participants if participants interrupt by arriving late or leaving early.

**Turn off Cell Phones** - Please be respectful of all speakers (and participants) by turning off cell phones.

**Take Only One Set of Handouts** - Please be considerate and take only one set of handouts. The presiders/recorders in each session will assist with the dissemination of any handouts that are not included in the conference booklet. All attending participants should have the handouts available. Any extra handouts remaining at the end of the session will be made available.

**Be Kind to One Another and Assist New Counselors and Professionals to the Field** - We are attending this conference for rejuvenation, relaxation, and recreation. Help others, including the new counselors/professionals, by exhibiting patience, understanding, and enthusiasm.

**Adopt the “2-2-2” Conference Attitude** - Make two new friends, reaquaint yourself with two old friends, and find two new ideas to take back with you to implement into your program. With this approach, you will leave feeling professionally and personally refreshed.

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Thank you for participating in the 5th Annual Midwest Conference on Problem Gambling and Substance Abuse. The contributions of each participant help to make this conference a powerful learning experience.
## Snapshot View of Conference Agenda

*(Detailed conference agenda provided on pages 14 - 20)*

### Day One – August 13, 2008, Wednesday

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<td>Pre-Conference Training: Kate Speck, Ph.D., MAC, LADC</td>
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<td>4:30 – 9:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Exhibit Hall open; Conference Bookstore open;</td>
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<td>4:30 - 6 p.m.</td>
<td>Welcome Reception and Poster Session</td>
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<td>6 – 7:30 p.m.</td>
<td>Welcome; Keynote Address: H. Westley Clark, M.D., J.D., M.P.H., CAS, FASAM</td>
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<td>7:30 – 9 p.m.</td>
<td>Plenary Discussion on Recovery Systems/Wrap-up</td>
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### Day Two – August 14, 2008, Thursday

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<td>Welcome; Keynote Address: Nancy Petry, Ph.D.</td>
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<td>Networking Opportunity, Poster Session, &amp; Snack Break</td>
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<td>Networking Opportunity, Poster Session, &amp; Snack Break</td>
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<td>Motivational Keynote Address: Pamela Lightsey</td>
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<td>Optional Blues at the Zoo &amp; Dinner Reception</td>
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### Conference Schedule

#### Wednesday, Aug. 13 ~ Pre-Conference & Day One

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<td>9:00 a.m.– 4:00 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Pre-Conference Training ~ Building Clinical Skills in Motivational Interviewing</strong>&lt;br&gt;Kate Speck, Ph.D., MAC, LADC</td>
<td>Stamford; Lower Level</td>
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<td>4:30 –6:00 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>1 / Poster Session</strong>&lt;br&gt;1A ~ Using Web-Based Technology to Enhance Practical Applications: Increasing Accessibility of Problem Gambling Resources&lt;br&gt;Wes Hays, Jennifer Norland</td>
<td>Crystal Ballroom and Foyer, 7th Floor</td>
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<td>6:00 – 7:30 p.m.</td>
<td><strong>Conference Welcome</strong>&lt;br&gt;2A / Opening Keynote&lt;br&gt;Description not available at time of print</td>
<td>Crystal Ballroom; 7th Floor <strong>will be videotaped</strong></td>
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<td><strong>3A ~ Plenary Discussion: Recovery Systems – A Collaborative Process</strong>&lt;br&gt;Judge Mark Farrell, Marilyn Lancelot, Carolyn Ross, MPS, Delores Rother, Rick Thomas, Tatunka Mani, Mark VanderLinden, MSW&lt;br&gt;Moderator: Anne Helene Skinstad, PhD</td>
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This 6-hour skills-based workshop will cover the basic skills necessary to begin using Motivational Interviewing in your clinical practice. The workshop will cover: Basics of Motivational Interviewing and how it works, including the Principles of MI; micro-skills necessary for counseling; and strategies for successful implementation of MI.

The 2008 Midwest Conference bookstore is like none we have ever had before – attendees receive a discount off the retail price of the resources and a portion of the sales is donated toward the Midwest Consortium to help support future conferences and professional development endeavors. If we sell out of an item (or if we don’t have an item) you want to purchase, you can order it and still receive the discount and support the Consortium.

The goal of this curriculum is to increase the knowledge base and understanding of non-Native American counselors about a range of relevant aspects of Native American culture.

Converging paradigmatic shifts are underway in the field of addiction treatment and the broader arena of behavioral health care. Shifting from a model of acute care (biopsychosocial stabilization) to a model of sustained recovery management (recovery consolidation, monitoring and maintenance) is transcending the helping professions. Recovery is not a linear process. An individual’s ability to make choices and decisions based on personal recovery goals impacts opportunity for successful change. Cultural experiences often define and shape the recovery path. Through self-empowerment, individuals become optimistic about achieving independent recovery oriented life goals.

During this session panel members will discuss the impact of “recovery oriented systems of care” from an individual, service-oriented and systemic perspective.
### Thursday, August 14 ~ Day Two

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<td>Our understanding of gambling disorders has expanded dramatically within the past decade, with a third of all scientific research on this topic published between 1999 and 2003. The National Center for Responsible Gaming (NCRG), a nonprofit organization founded in 1996, has played a major role in this expansion of knowledge through its support of research investigations of gambling disorders at distinguished research centers including Harvard Medical School, Yale University Medical School, Johns Hopkins University, the University of California at Davis, and the University of Minnesota. The NCRG is now focused on how to apply this knowledge to strengthen responsible gaming programs sponsored by the gaming industry and gaming regulations aimed at reducing gambling-related harms. This session will examine how NCRG-funded research has advanced understanding of</td>
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(1) health risks of casino employees, including alcohol, smoking and gambling problems; (2) self-exclusion programs; and, (3) education of gaming employees.

**Rick Thomas**

6C ~ “TAKU WAKAN SKAN SKAN” Techniques of Indigenous Diagnosis

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**Jerry Bauerkermer**

6D ~ Preparing to Communicate Effectively with the Media

Participants will learn how to attract clientele through a combination of media contacts and presentations. This presentation will help participants become better acquainted with the different types of media and how to best represent themselves, their agency or practice, and to further the awareness of addictions to the general public. They will also learn to generate media and to respond to media requests while keeping the best interests of the client and federal confidentiality requirements intact.

**Michael Hanes, MAT, LPC**

6E ~ Roads to Recovery

Roads have been universally significant since their development some 5,000 years ago. Their mythic and metaphorical meaning has permeated the language, art, poetry, and music of virtually all cultures. In this presentation, I demonstrate how road drawings can serve as a diagnostic and therapeutic metaphor for the AOD population. The task is capable of eliciting a person's origins, the history of his or her life process, experiences to date, and intent for the future - even from a single drawing. In addition, the road's reparative nature and need for periodic upgrade can serve as a metaphor for the person's capacity for change, restoration and recovery.

**Kate Speck, PhD, MAC, LADC**

6F ~ MIA STEP (Motivational Interviewing Assessment: Supervisory Tools for Enhancing Proficiency)

This workshop will cover the basics of MIA STEP for Supervisors and implementation strategies for training supervisors in the skills necessary to supervise staff using MI practices and strategies.

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**7 / Concurrent Sessions**

7A ~ A Provider’s Introduction to Substance Abuse Treatment for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Individuals

This presentation will provide both practitioners and administrators increased familiarity with the issues and barriers faced by lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) individuals in need of substance use disorders treatment. The information presented has been developed in collaboration with Prairielands Addiction Technology Transfer Center, the substance Abuse and Mental health Services Administration (SAMHSA), Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT), and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Community Center of New York City.

**Robert Kerksieck, LMSW, ACADC**

7B ~ Raising the Bar: Iowa Program Rules Designed to Enhance Quality Problem Gambling Treatment

Raising the Bar will address how Iowa assures the best treatment possible for persons profoundly impacted by problem gambling. Discussion will include a history of Iowa funding for gambling treatment; an overarching vision of what quality treatment should look like; how Iowa involved providers in developing treatment standards; the main points of the standards including minimal components; how Iowa provides support and encouragement to programs through “Technical Assistance” to motivate providers to use “best practices;” and how Iowa will continue to “raise the bar” and be flexible enough to change/improve over time.

**Laurie Norman, BEAD**

7C ~ iCare: Integrating Responsible Gaming into Casino Operations

The Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation has developed a system to identify and track high risk play in real time, to notify casino management of this play, and to track interactions. The system, using Player Club Card data, collects and analyzes empirical evidence identifies players at risk as defined by the Canadian Problem Gambling Index and on risk patterns of players. Staff have been trained to do interactions with players who have been identified as high risk. Independent research by the University of Regina analyzed the risk levels of 883 players who had one or more interactions and concluded that as a result of the interactions there is a statistically significant reduction in the number of moderate risk players moving to high risk and a statistically significant increase in the number of moderate risk players moving to lower risk levels.
### 7D ~ Filling the Knowledge Gap: Academic Curricula in Problem Gambling

Academic coursework in problem gambling provides both pre-service students and existing addiction counseling workforce with primary information and core tools to meet competency requirements for problem gambling specialists. This presentation details the impetus in Nevada for creating specialized online courses in problem gambling, how the course designs weave together education, clinical training and workforce development, and how promotional activities supported statewide collaboration for counselor preparation. The project coordinator and the course developer/instructor will discuss the genesis of the courses, critical training topics, marketing strategies, and the impact of academic education on workforce development.

### 7E ~ Clinical Coordination for the Treatment of Pathological Gambling

Participants will be able to utilize a treatment protocol that will allow them to identify co-occurring disorders associated with pathological gambling, and to increase the effectiveness of treatment. This session will also present how to address treatment with the gambler in a logical sequence at a pace that is tolerable to the client.

### 7F ~ An Important Predisposing Factor in Adult Pathological Gamblers: Early Childhood Neglect and Abuse

A new instrument will assess recall of early childhood traumas before 18 years of age in an adult group of pathological gamblers. The results of these independent studies will illustrate the high prevalence of early childhood traumas among these patients, noting the percentages for each type of trauma. Dissociating, while experiencing trauma, can set the stage for co-occurring PTSD in these patients.

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<td>Judge Farrell will address the historical, societal and criminal justice factors surrounding the development, implementation and operation of the nation's only Gambling Treatment Court. He will compare and contrast the traditional approach of the criminal justice system in dealing with gambling defendants as opposed to the more current and progressive therapeutic justice system in the same context.</td>
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<td>The poster shows the prevalence of past year gambling and past 30-day gambling among Kansas adolescents in 6th, 8th, 10th, and 12th grades. In addition, the prevalence of eight different types of gambling is examined by youth gender and age/grade. As gaming expansion occurs in Kansas, these data will serve as a baseline for measuring the impact of both gaming and prevention and will assist in the state’s current development of a strategic plan to address and prevent problem gambling. Further analyses of adolescent gambling, substance use, and other risk factors or contributors to problem gambling are discussed.</td>
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<td>Overview of theory of Albert Ellis’ REBT emphasizing creation of an expanded repertory of responses to specific stimuli; participation by attendees in “choruses” simulating simultaneous, contradictory signals from mid-brain (craving) and front brain (inhibition); theory, practice and rehearsal of craving-cancellation exercise (“Bail-Out” Exercise) for use during period of impaired executive functioning in the midst of craving episodes.</td>
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<td>This presentation will build upon the information presented in the morning keynote and delve more deeply into the issues. It will emphasize the principals of &quot;Therapeutic Justice&quot; and analyze the application of these principals to pathological and compulsive gambling within the Criminal Justice System. Judge Farrell will compare and contrast the traditional approach of the criminal justice system in dealing with gambling defendants as opposed to the more current and progressive therapeutic justice system in the same context. In an operational and experiential context, Judge Farrell will discuss the challenges that have been involved in this model effort, especially in the area of identification and client follow-up as well as reviewing available statistics with regard to</td>
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almost six years of operation. The goal for participants would be to be familiar with the current and developing approach of the criminal justice system in terms of dealing with pathological and compulsive gambling defendants and the specific operational nature of a therapeutic intervention in this area following the traditional drug court model.

**12D-1 ~ Why Do They Do That? Keys to Working With Government Systems and Bureaucrats**

Participants will learn the answers to the questions they have always asked: Why does the state want that? Why does the state require that? Why does the state pay for ‘that’ but not ‘that’? An improved understanding of the Why’s, How’s, And What’s of government agencies will enable participants to more effectively interact with the regulators and funders of the services they provide.

**12D-2 ~ Kansas Update on Gambling Expansion**

A summary of 2007 presentation and status of implementation at that time will be provided, as well as information on the Kansas Attorney General’s great challenge to the legislation. We will explain the state agencies and program coordinator associations involved in the overall process, the current status of progress as well as distribution of funding.

**12E ~ Assessing the Older Problem Gambler**

As gambling counselors increasingly see older adults present in their client and patient population, it becomes additionally important that assessment for this population is both accurate and appropriate. This workshop discusses and describes the problems associated with older adults who access problem gambling treatment, considerations the treatment professional must consider with this age group, and suggests appropriate and accurate assessment measures for problem gambling in older adults. At the conclusion of this workshop, participants will be familiar with common cognitive and mood assessment in the geriatric population, and how to apply them to the older problem gambler population.

**12F ~ Substance Abuse and Sexual Violence: Recognizing Both When Treating Survivors**

Participants will learn about common myths and misunderstandings surrounding sexual violence. We will also look at the differences and similarities between treating substance abuse and post-traumatic stress disorder. Participants will develop an understanding of what it would ideally look like to integrate treatment of both diagnoses.

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**13A ~ Problem Gambling and Substance Use Among Missouri Youth: A Call for Prevention**

Research reports consistently report that between 52%-89% youth have gambled in the past year. Youth are a vulnerable population for disordered gambling and its negative consequences due to their developmental stage related to effective decision-making and their increased risk for co-occurring disorders such as substance use and mood disorders. This presentation will provide results of the first Missouri household study of gambling, disordered gambling, and substance use among youth. Specifically, the presentation will summarize epidemiologic telephone interview data on gambling, problem gambling, and DSM-IV pathological gambling disorder for 351 youth ages 14-25 (Mean age=19.2%; 48% female; 18.4% African-American/other race/ethnicity; 81% living at home with parents/family) selected from listed Missouri households. These data may inform clinicians and others working with youth in the areas of problem gambling and substance use prevention and intervention.

**13B ~ Using Humor on the Road to Recovery: Laughing to Ease the Pain**

This session addresses use of humor as a coping skill. It discusses the physiological, psychological, social and spiritual benefits of using humor to help cope with addictions and mental health issues. The session includes the humorous yet serious inspirational story of the presenter’s adjustment to a diagnosis of severe arthritis at age 22 and how he used it to help replace his dependency on
narcotics to deal with his pain. The session includes humor strategies to improve coping skills and techniques to improve one’s sense of humor, which results in a more resilient personality.

### 13C ~ Therapeutic Justice: How to Establish a Diversion Program

**Susan McNabb, JD, MA, BA**  
Stamford; **Lower Level**  
The workshop will cover the steps in establishing a pretrial program. The explanation includes financing; forms package with all contracts, releases and reports; treatment coordination; district attorney program; probation/parole program; employment post treatment; and follow up.

### 13D ~ A Kansas Study of Suicide Among Older Adults: Were Problems with Alcohol and Gambling Involved?

**Jean Holthaus, MEd, LSCSW**  
Windsor; **Lower Level**  
This presentation is designed to increase awareness of the magnitude and seriousness of older adult suicide. It includes the results of a Shawnee County older adult suicide study completed in Kansas. Depression and suicide facts will be shared, including warning signs, risk and protective factors, common profile and the connection between substance abuse and problem gambling and suicide. Various theories of suicide will be presented, including the work of Thomas Joiner and Edwin Shneidman. Prevention and resources will be shared, including the National Strategy for Suicide Prevention, Suicide Prevention Resource Center, American Association of Suicidology and American Foundation for Suicide Prevention. PowerPoint slides will be used, along with the Older Adult Suicide Interactive Learning Game designed by the presenters.

### 13E ~ Program Evaluation and Evidence-Based Practice: The How, When, and Why of Outcome Measures

**Sarah Shelton, PsyD, MS**  
Clayton Ballroom; **Lower Lobby Level**  
An overview of outcome measures will be provided to understand why and how program evaluation projects should be conducted in clinical settings. The description, method, and results of a 12-month longitudinal outcome measures project at a residential substance abuse facility for women will be presented to illustrate how the use of program evaluation can increase provider performance and treatment outcomes in a substance abuse treatment setting. The role of program evaluation in ensuring evidence-based practice and in securing funding for treatment programs will also be reviewed.

### 13F ~ Latinos with Substance Abuse and Gambling Problems? Two Addictions

**Mark Rios, MSW**  
**Bruce Biddlecome, LADC-T**  
Bedford; **Lobby Level**  
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Keynote Addresses and Featured Presenters

Building Clinical Skills in Motivational Interviewing

Wednesday, Aug. 13 ~ 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Kate Speck, Ph.D.,MAC, LADC

Kate Speck has more than 30 years experience working in the field of addictions. She holds BA in Human Relations, a Master of Adult Education, and MA in Addiction Counseling and a PhD in Community and Human Resources. As a Senior Research Manager at the University of Nebraska Public Policy Center, she works with projects related to Children's Behavioral Health, substance abuse research, pregnant and parenting women, and disaster behavioral health projects.

Besides working in residential, outpatient and EAP settings, she has developed and directed addiction treatment programming in Iowa, Louisiana, and Nebraska. Kate has taught addictions counseling courses for the past eighteen years in the community, and for the past 10 years has taught undergraduate and graduate courses in psychology, addictions, theory and ethics at the post secondary level. She has a strong background in prevention/intervention, addressing addiction in families, working with pregnant and parenting women, and in training and education. Kate is a member of the International Motivational Interviewing Network of Trainers (IMINT) and has provided training and technical assistance in MI since 2000.

Additional Presentations:

Concurrent Session 6F ~ MIA-STEP (Motivational Interviewing Assessment: Supervisory Tools for Enhancing Proficiency) ~ Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – noon
Opening Keynote

Wednesday, Aug. 13 ~ 6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

H. Westley Clark, M.D., J.D., M.P.H. CAS, FASAM

H. Westley Clark is director of CSAT under the Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Formerly, he was chief of associated substance abuse programs at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in San Francisco, served as senior consultant to the Robert Wood Johnson substance abuse policy program, and was associate clinical professor of psychiatry at the University of California, San Francisco.

Clark has written widely in the field of substance abuse and has contributed to books including *Drug Policy and Human Nature* and *Principles of Addiction Medicine*. He has published a number of legal and clinical articles in medical and legal journals. He received his MD and MPH from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor and his JD from Harvard University Law School.

New Advances in the Treatment of Problem and Pathological Gambling

Thursday, Aug. 14 ~ 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Nancy Petry, Ph.D.

Nancy M. Petry, Ph.D. is a professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Connecticut Health Center. She received her doctorate degree in psychology from Harvard University in 1994 and then completed post-doctoral training at the University of Vermont. She joined the University of Connecticut School of Medicine in 1996. Petry’s research focuses on the treatment of addictive disorders, including substance use disorders and pathological gambling. She also has research interests related to impulsivity. Her research program has been supported by grants from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the National Institute of Mental Health, and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. She has published over 130 peer-reviewed articles as well as a book on the treatment of pathological gambling.

Petry directs the post-doctoral fellowship training program's seminar series. She has mentored postdoctoral trainees, MPH and graduate students and students in summer undergraduate and medical school research programs at the University of Connecticut, who have published over 40 papers in the past five years.
Petry was awarded the 2007 College on Problems of Drug Dependence Joseph Cochin Young Investigator Award recognizing early career excellence in the science of drug addiction. The Joseph Cochin Young Investigator Award is presented annually by the College on Problems of Drug Dependence, to recognize research contributions by a young scientist.

In acknowledgement of her considerable contributions to the field of addictive disorders, Petry also received the 2003 American Psychological Association Distinguished Scientific Award for Early Career Contributions to Psychology. In addition to her research efforts, Petry serves as a consultant and advisor for the National Institute of Health and is currently on the editorial boards of several academic journals.

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You! How Do You Do It!
Thursday, Aug. 14 ~ 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

**Pamela R. Lightsey, Ph.D., M.Div.**

Dr. Lightsey is an accomplished and dynamic scholar, speaker, professor and preacher! She currently serves as Dean of Students at Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary (GETS) in Evanston, Illinois, where she co-chaired the Emergency Preparedness Committee, chairs the Student Concerns Committee, and serves on both the Cross-Cultural International Theological Education Committee and the Master’s Degree Committee.

Prior to going to GETS, she served as senior pastor of a thriving church on the south side of Chicago. Her work in the areas of children and youth ministry, leadership development and church growth earned her the coveted Denman Evangelism Award from the United Methodist Church.

Dr. Lightsey is a highly sought public speaker. She has presented before not only the church and academy but also before such platforms as social justice agencies, networking organizations and US military functions.

Dr. Lightsey is also the owner and CEO of OneNabi Consulting Inc., and agency specializing in public speaking, workshop and seminar presentations, peace and justice ministries, as well as offering a social commentary blog at [http://www.onenabi.com](http://www.onenabi.com).

Dr. Lightsey earned her Ph.D. from Garrett-Evangelical Theological Seminary on Northwestern University campus in 2005. She earned her Master of Divinity from Gammon Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia, and a Bachelor of Science in Sociology from Columbus State University in Columbus, Georgia.
The Gambling Treatment Court Experience  
Friday, Aug. 15 ~ 8:30 - 10:00 a.m.

Judge Mark Farrell

Judge Mark G. Farrell is the senior justice in the Amherst, New York Criminal and Civil Court, which operates in the largest suburban jurisdiction in New York State. Farrell also serves in the capacity of an acting city court judge in the City of Buffalo Court. In terms of academic appointment, Farrell is an adjunct clinical professor of law at the State University of New York at Buffalo School of Law teaching a senior practicum entitled "Therapeutic Justice" and is also a research associate professor in the School of Social Work at the State University of New York at Buffalo as principal investigator on a Robert Wood Johnson Foundation three-year clinical intervention grant. Farrell's research initiatives in this area are focused on establishing the first national protocol for the proper triage and referral to treatment of mentally ill defendants who are also co-morbidly drug and/or alcohol dependant in a Drug Court setting.

Farrell founded the first suburban Drug Court in the United States in 1996, the first Domestic Violence Court in Erie County in 1997 and currently operates the nation's only Gambling Treatment Court, which opened its doors in 2001. Farrell is a distinguished alumnus of the State University of New York at Buffalo and a graduate of both the National Drug Court Institute and the National Judicial College. Farrell is also on the board of directors of the National Council of Problem Gambling, the board of directors of the New York State Drug Treatment Court Professional's Association and the New York State Compulsive Gambling Council. Farrell is also a member of the New York State City Court Judge's Association and is the current president of the New York State Magistrate's Association.

Farrell has received numerous national, regional and local recognitions for his judicial innovations, especially in terms of intervention into the realm of compulsive gambling within the Criminal Justice System. His work has been highlighted on the front page of the New York Times, as well as numerous other media publications around the United States. Prior to his extensive judicial career, he spent many years practicing and teaching as a trial lawyer in the areas of professional malpractice and professional licensure, product liability and environmental law. Farrell has also been certified for many years as an arbitrator and mediator in both the commercial and civil arenas. Additionally, Farrell was recently accorded a further distinction by being designated a member of “Who’s Who in American Law” in 2007.

Additional Presentations:

- Plenary Panel 3A ~ Recovery Systems – A Collaborative Process – Wednesday, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.
- Concurrent Session 12C ~ The Gambling Treatment Court Experience: A View from the Criminal Justice System and A Work in Progress ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
**Presenter Biographies**

**Stephanie Asteriadis, M.A.** received an M.A. in Counselling and Educational Psychology in 1998. She is Coordinator of the Nevada Prevention Resource Center (NPRC) in the Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT), and has been funded to disseminate substance abuse and related materials throughout Nevada since 1998. She has been project manager for a college substance abuse prevention program and to produce and evaluate a senior problem gambling prevention kit. Asteriadis teaches Introduction to Substance Abuse Prevention at the University of Nevada, Reno.

> **Poster Session 5A ~ Bridging the Gap to Reach Seniors: A New Tool for Problem Gambling Prevention** ~ Thursday, 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

**Jerry Bauerkemper** is the Executive Director of the Nebraska Council on Compulsive Gambling. Mr. Bauerkemper was the first director of problem gambling for the state of Nebraska. In addition he was appointed to the Nebraska’s Commission on problem gambling. Mr. Bauerkemper has been providing counseling to gambling families since 1986. He has published research on the prevalence of problem gambling in the Nebraska Probation Department. He received the “First Step” award in 1999 for his work with problem gamblers. Mr. Bauerkemper is a nationally recognized expert on problem gambling and has provided training throughout the United States.

> **Concurrent Session 6D ~ Preparing to Communicate Effectively with the Media** ~ Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Bruce Biddlecome, LADC-T,** comes to us from Salinas, California. There, Biddlecome began working with Latinos on a voluntary basis at Sun Street Centers. After working with Latinos in addiction, he decided to pursue a career in the field. Mr. Biddlecome relocated to Minnesota to pursue his degree in addiction studies. After completing his degree Mr. Biddlecome has worked with several agencies that work specifically with the Latino communities. Including (CLUES) Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio, New Guidance Counseling Clinic and RIOS Programs where he has expanded his work with Latinos in the area of Chemical Dependency and Prevention.

> **Concurrent Session 13F ~ Latinos with Substance Abuse and Gambling Problems? Two Addictions** ~ Friday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

**Robert Boswell, Ph.D.,** has served as the Senior Vice President of Pioneer Behavioral Health since February 1999. From 1992 to 1999, Robert served as Executive Vice President of Pioneer. Prior to that, he also served as Administrator of the company’s Highland Ridge Hospital Facility, and is principally involved with the its substance abuse facilities. From 1981 until 1989, he served as the Associate Administrator at the Prevention Education Outpatient Treatment Program—the Cottage Program, International. Robert serves on the Board of Directors for the National Center for Responsible Gaming and is a Board Member of the National Foundation for Responsible Gaming.

> **Concurrent Session 6B ~ What Science Can Do for You: Strengthening Responsible Gaming Programs through Research** ~ Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Lisa Chaney, M.S.,** is a Research Analyst with 15 years professional experience covering a wide variety of research topics. Currently she works with Data and information Systems Group in Girard, Kansas where she designs and carries out several statewide research and evaluation activities on behalf of the Kansas Department of social Rehabilitation Services. Current activities include the design and implementation of the Kansas Synar coverage study and evaluation of the Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant (SPF-SIG). In addition, Lisa works with the Southeast Kansas Education Service center to provide analysis and consultation to the Kansas Communities That Care (KCTC) student survey.

> **Poster Session 11A ~ Adolescent Gambling in Kansas: A Prevalence of Gambling by Type, Gender, and Age/Grade** ~ Friday, 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.
Maya Chilese, M.A., PLMHP, CCGC, is currently the Children's Behavioral Health Manager for the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Behavioral Health. Ms. Chilese has a professional history in Prevention/Early Intervention prior to working as a Mental Health and Addictions therapist, specializing in gambling as well as gender specific treatment. She has most recently developed and piloted a youth gambling prevention curriculum as well as providing professional trainings in the fields of both prevention and treatment. In addition, Ms. Chilese coordinates an initiative bridging faith communities into substance abuse supports.

Poster Session 14A ~ Gambling and Other Problem Behaviors Among Nebraska Youth. Results of the Risk and Protective Factor Survey (2003 -05 -07) ~ Friday, 2:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Tim Christensen, M.P.A., is currently the Treatment Administrator for the Arizona Office of Problem Gambling. He is the current President of the Association of Problem Gambling Service Administrators, and serves on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors for the National Council on Problem Gambling. He has extensive experience providing technical assistance and contract monitoring for public mental health and substance abuse services. Tim has provided consultation to numerous state governments on the development and implementation of publicly funded problem gambling programs.

Concurrent Session 12D-1 ~ Why Do They Do That? Keys to Working with Government Systems and Bureaucrats ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Renee Cunningham-Williams, Ph.D., M.P.E., LCSW, is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Associate Professor of Social Work at Washington University (St. Louis). She brings nearly 15 years of award-winning epidemiologic, nosological, addictions and mental health research to her roles in guiding behavioral science efforts as a standing committee member for the National Institutes of Health grant review study section on addictions (RPHA), for SAMHSA, private foundations, and for several scientific journals. Her community service includes involvement with professional and service agencies devoted to improving the lives of vulnerable populations due to addictions, poverty, and health/mental health disparities.

Concurrent Session 13A ~ Problem Gambling and Substance Use Among Missouri Youth: A Call for Prevention ~ Friday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

R. Kent Dean, Ph.D., LAC, CCGC, is a counselor in substance related disorders and coexisting psychiatric disorders for thirty years. Current emphasis is on treating those with Pathological Gambling in an intensive outpatient program setting through the Louisiana Association on Compulsive Gambling in Shreveport, and on providing continuing professional education.

Concurrent Session 12A ~ From Epictetus to Ellis: Practicum in Teaching Relapse Prevention Skills for Patients ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Wes Ehrecke , CAE, is the President of the Iowa Gaming Association (IGA), a position created in April 2000. Ehrecke is a 30-year veteran in the association management profession. Other positions held include executive vice president & CEO of the Minnesota Bankers Association, executive vice president and general manager of Iowa Association of Electric Cooperatives, and senior vice president of the Iowa Bankers Association.

Ehrecke is Past President of the Iowa Society of Association Executives; recently completed serving as a director of the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE); and has served as Chairman of ASAE’s Local State and Regional and Future Leaders Committees; and as a director as well as an officer on numerous foundation and professional boards, including Greenlee School of Journalism Advisory Council, Iowa State Parks Foundation, Leadership Iowa, Iowa and Minnesota 4-H Foundations, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Graduate School of Banking at Madison, and the Valley High School Athletic Booster Club.

Ehrecke was named a Fellow by the American Society of Association Executives in 1991, and also received the group’s Certified Association Executive (CAE) designation. He is a graduate of Iowa State University, with a BA in Journalism and Mass Communication; the 1990-91 Leadership Iowa program; and the Institute for Organizational Management at Notre Dame.

Ehrecke is a native Iowan. He was born and raised on a dairy and livestock farm in east central Iowa. He has been married for 28 years and has three children.

Concurrent Session 12B ~ Effective Media Campaigns – State, Private Perspectives ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Ron Eisenbarth, NCAC-II, CADC-III, is a Nationally Certified Addictions Counselor (NCAC II) Kansas Certified Addictions Counselor III (CADC III) and a Kansas Certified Problem Gambling Counselor. He has been working professionally in the addictions field in Kansas for the last 38 years and has operated his private practice, Eisenbarth and Associates. The past 15 years Ron is past president of the Kansas Association of Addiction Counselors (KAAT). He is current president-elect of the Kansas Coalition on Problem Gambling (KCPG).

Concurrent Session 12D-2 ~ Update on Kansas Gambling Expansion ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – noon

Gary Gonder, M.P.A., has worked at the Missouri Lottery for more than 16 years. In 2006, Gonder was promoted to Deputy Executive Director of the Missouri Lottery where he oversees the Lottery’s administrative and operational services. Previously, Gonder served as the Missouri Lottery’s Communications Director overseeing the Lottery’s internal and external communication programs.

Gonder is the current chairman of the Missouri Alliance to Curb Problem Gambling, a unique partnership of private and public entities whose mission is to raise awareness for the issue of problem gambling, direct compulsive gamblers to assistance and free treatment and create prevention programs for all ages.

Gonder holds a bachelor of journalism degree in advertising and photojournalism from the University Of Missouri School Of Journalism and a master of public administration from the University of Missouri College of Business and Public Administration.

Concurrent Session 12B ~ Effective Media Campaigns – State, Private Perspectives ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Jon E. Grant, M.D., M.P.H., J.D., is an Associate Professor of Psychiatry at the University of Minnesota and co-directs a clinic for Impulse Control Disorders at the University of Minnesota Medical Center in Minneapolis, MN. Dr. Grant completed a law degree from Cornell University, a medical degree from Brown University, and a masters degree in public health from Harvard University. He is the author of Stop Me Because I Can’t Stop Myself, a book on impulse control disorders, and editor of Pathological Gambling: A Clinical Guide to Treatment and Textbook of Men’s Mental Health. Dr. Grant’s research is funded by the National Institutes of Mental Health.

Concurrent Session 6B ~ What Science Can Do for You: Strengthening Responsible Gaming Programs through Research ~ Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Concurrent Session 7A ~ A Provider’s Introduction to Substance Abuse Treatment for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Individuals ~ Thursday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Rina Gupta, Ph.D., is a practicing child psychologist and Assistant Professor (part-time) of School/Applied Child Psychology, Department of Educational and Counseling Psychology at McGill University. She has published widely and has focused her research and social policy work in the area of youth gambling issues.

Dr. Gupta is on the editorial board of the Journal of Gambling Studies and is co-director of the McGill University Youth Gambling Research & Treatment Clinic and the International Centre for Youth Gambling Problems and High-Risk Behaviors. Dr. Gupta has numerous publications in the field of youth gambling and has provided expert testimony before a number of provincial and federal commissions in Canada, United States, South Africa and Singapore. She is the recipient of the 2006 National Center for Responsible Gaming Young Investigator award.

Concurrent Session 7F ~ An Important Predisposing Factor in Adult Pathological Gamblers: Early Childhood Neglect and Abuse ~ Thursday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Michael Hanes, M.A.T., LPC, has been published numerous times in national and international journals. He is author of the book, “Roads to the Unconscious: A Manuel for Understanding Road Drawings.” He is a faculty member at Phoenix University and guest lecturer at the University of Oklahoma. He has worked with the mental health and AOD populations for over 20 years. Currently, he is Director of Continuous Quality Improvement and Medical Records at Red Rock BHS and has been a therapist at the Oklahoma County Detention Center for over eight years. Visit his website at www.artpsychotherapy.com.

Concurrent Session 6E ~ Roads to Recovery ~ Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Wes Hays, B.S.C.S., has worked as a System Administrator / Software Engineer in the Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies at the University of Nevada Reno for the past four years. Mr. Hays has a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science from the University of Nevada. He has prior experience in database-driven web application development in both Linux and Windows-based environments utilizing various technologies such as HTML, CSS, Javascript, Prototype, AJAX, JSP, ASP, PHP, Ruby on Rails, Apache, MySQL and PostgreSQL. Additionally, he has experience with database administration, groupware and intranet productivity systems, creating and managing listserv’s, developing/conducting online courses and conference management systems.

Poster Session 1A ~ Using Web-Based Technology to Enhance Practical Applications: Increasing Accessibility of Problem Gambling Resources ~ Wednesday, 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Nancy Heller, M.A., LMHP, returned to Nebraska state government employment in September 2007 after an eight year absence during which she completed a Master’s Degree in Counseling from Grace University in Omaha, NE, and worked as a General Mental Health and Substance Abuse Counselor in a variety of settings. Her current job includes contract monitoring and point of contact for two of Nebraska’s Behavioral Regions, as well as Treatment Coordinator for the Gambler’s Assistance Program. Nancy’s work experience also includes 25 years in various capacities in the field of Human Resources within Nebraska state government.

Poster Session 14A ~ Gambling and Other Problem Behaviors Among Nebraska Youth. Results of the Risk and Protective Factor Survey (2003 -05-07) ~ Friday, 2:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Jean Holthaus, M.Ed., LSCSW, KCGC, is a licensed clinical social worker who is Program Director for Senior Prevention Intervention Counseling Education (SPICE). Jean is current president of the KS Coalition on Problem Gambling, serves on the Board of Directors of the National Council on Problem Gambling, author of SAGE training (addresses problem gambling among older adults) and is a Kansas Certified Gambling Counselor.

Concurrent Session 12D-2 ~ Update on Kansas Gambling Expansion ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – noon

Concurrent Session 13D ~ A Kansas Study of Suicide Among Older Adults: Were Problems with Alcohol and Gambling Involved? ~ Friday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Kelli Hood, M.A., is a therapist at the YWCA St. Louis Regional Sexual Assault Center. She provides individual and group therapy to survivors of sexual assault and childhood sexual abuse. In addition she is a Registered Substance Abuse Professional in Missouri. She has been providing services for clients with co-occurring disorders for over five years.

Concurrent Session 12F ~ Substance Abuse and Sexual Violence: Recognizing Both When Treating Survivors ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

David Jacobson, M.S.W., LCSW, author, professional speaker and social worker, has been the recipient of numerous honors including a USA Book News Finalist Award, the Flashnet Marketing President’s Award, a Joy Mask from the Korean Broadcasting System and a National Hero Overcoming Arthritis Award from the Arthritis Foundation for unicycling 50 miles in spite of his painful arthritis.

Concurrent Session 13B ~ Using Humor on the Road to Recovery: Laughing to Ease the Pain ~ Friday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Robert Kerksieck, LMSW, ACADC, is the Health Facilities Surveyor for the Gambling Treatment Programs at the Iowa Department of Public Health. He holds a master’s degree in Counseling and has a wide range of clinical social work, counseling and administrative experience since 1982, working with children and families, adults, substance abuse and problem gambling.

Concurrent Session 7B ~ Raising the Bar: Iowa Program Rules Designed to Enhance Quality Problem Gambling Treatment ~ Thursday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Marilyn Lancelot has been a member and a national trustee of a twelve-step program for compulsive gambling since January 1991. In 1992, Marilyn and three friends, met in her apartment and started the first Women Preferred Twelve-Step Compulsive Gambling Meeting. For ten years she has been publishing an Internet newsletter, Women Helping Women, focusing on issues related to female compulsive gamblers. In March of 2007, Marilyn published a book titled Griped by Gambling.

Barbara Blee Maille, J.D., M.S.W., leads Danna McKitrick's family law practice group representing both men and women in a broad range of family disputes involving complex interpersonal relationships and extensive financial holdings.

Her primary focus is on domestic and probate litigation involving: dissolution of marriage, legal separation and annulment; valuation and division of property; retirement/pension plan distributions; maintenance (alimony); child custody; child support; modifications of court judgments; paternity; adult and child orders of protection; pre/post nuptial agreements; guardianships; discovery of assets; and disputes over wills and trusts.

Barbara’s training and experience in clinical social work gives her an added dimension as a caring advisor to her clients and as a trial attorney with a unique perspective on psychological issues and family dynamics of child custody and guardianship litigation.

She has extensive experience speaking and providing estate planning services to those who want to provide financial protection for disabled family members. Barbara’s interest in this area of the law began when she successfully argued the landmark case Tidrow vs. Missouri Division of Family Services which held that a person with special needs who is the beneficiary of a trust will still be able to receive public assistance if the trust is properly written.

Prior to joining Danna McKitrick in 1992, Barbara was the Director of Mid-Central Legal Center for Developmental Disabilities—a center for legal training in developmental disabilities law in a four state region. This followed her roles as Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Director of Social Work Training at the Children’s Rehabilitation Unit of the Kansas University Medical Center.

Sue McNabb, J.D., M.A., B.A., served as Assistant Attorney General for the Louisiana Department of Justice. She has an extensive background in corporate law in the private sector where she worked as General Counsel of an INC 500 Company and as Vice President of Administration with a national not-for-profit corporation. Prior to that, she taught at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. Presently, she works as a consultant.

Sue has worked with the office of the Attorney General and the gaming industry on developing the “Problem and Compulsive Gaming Programs” for the various gaming properties in Louisiana. She also developed and implemented the innovative Gambling Treatment Referral Program, a diversionary program designed to refer first or second non-violent offenders whose crime is a result of gambling activity into treatment. Sue has written numerous articles on responsible gaming which appeared in Global Gaming Business, Casino Lawyer, and the American Bar Association Gazette among others. She was inducted into the prestigious International Masters of Gaming Law in 2006 and serves as chair of the Responsible Gaming Committee. She is vice chair of the Governmental Section of the American Bar Association and serves on the board of directors of both the National Council on Problem Gambling and the Louisiana Association on Compulsive Gambling.

Dennis McNeilly, Psy.D., is a clinical geropsychologist and associate professor of psychiatry in the University of Nebraska Medical School’s Department of Psychiatry in Omaha, NE. He also serves as the Director of Medical Student Psychiatry Education at the University of Nebraska Medical Center. Dr. McNeilly is a nationally and internationally known speaker, writer and scholar, and authority on problem gambling among older adults.

He is a member of the American Psychological Association, the Nebraska Psychological Association, and the Problem Gambling 

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Concurrent Session 6A ~ Money: Clinical Issues and Therapeutic Strategies for Gambling and Other Addictions ~ Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Concurrent Session 13C ~ Therapeutic Justice: How to Establish a Diversion Program ~ Friday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
Association, the Gerontological Society of America, the American Directors of Medical Student Education in Psychiatry, the Association for the Behavioral Sciences and Medical Education, and the Association of Psychologists in Academic Health Centers. He currently serves on Ethics Committee of the Nebraska Psychological Association, on the Nebraska State Advisory Committee on Problem Gambling and Addiction Services, and as the President of the National Council on Problem Gambling.

Concurrent Session 12E ~ Assessing the Older Problem Gambler ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Arlene C. Miller, LCSW, NCGC, is a social worker in private practice in St. Louis, Missouri. Arlene was initially trained as a community mental health counselor and is a certified Gestalt Therapist. She has been an adjunct faculty member at St. Louis Community College at Meramec where she created and taught one of the first college credit courses on problem gambling. Her extensive background in marriage and family therapy along with her specialized training in multiple addictions makes her an excellent resource for addressing the financial issues facing today's families. Arlene has presented basic and advanced gambling training to numerous agencies, organizations, schools, congregations and professionals in multiple settings.

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Jennifer H. Norland, B.A., is a Curriculum/Instructional Designer for the Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT), at the University of Nevada, Reno. Ms. Norland has received her Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology with a Minor in Addiction Counseling and Prevention from the University of Nevada, Reno with high distinction. Her professional skills and experience includes software application in DreamWeaver, InDesign, Photoshop, and Illustrator to enhance graphics design, web page layout design, design of electronic and web-based curricula and products, production of Curriculum Infusion Packages (CIPs), CDs/DVDs, podcasts, as well as development of distribution material for trainings, conferences, and informational booklets.

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Laurie Norman, B.E.A.D., holds a Bachelor of Arts with a double major in Addictions Studies and Psychology from Minot State University, and a Bachelor of Education from the University of Regina. She worked in the addictions field for nine years, beginning her teaching career in 2001. She joined the Saskatchewan Gaming Corporation as the Responsible Gaming Officer in 2005, and is responsible for the implementation of the Responsible Gaming Program on the gaming floor of Casino Regina and Moose Jaw.

Concurrent Session 7C ~ iCare: Integrating Responsible Gaming into Casino Operations ~ Thursday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Marty Perry, LPC, received a Bachelor’s degree in Sociology from Oklahoma State University in 1985 and then received a Master’s degree in Counseling Psychology from the University of North Texas in 1994. While completing his Master’s degree, Marty sought out an internship placement at Oak Lawn Community Services (OLCS), a gay and lesbian counseling organization in Dallas, Texas. He eventually was hired by OLCS as a licensed professional counselor; and, in 1994, developed Texas’ first out-patient sexual compulsivity treatment program for gay men. In June of 1999, Marty joined Pride Institute as the director of its Texas program. Marty worked at the Texas Pride (which specializes in chemical dependency and psychiatric care for the LGBT population) as well as maintained a small private practice in Dallas up until his transition to Pride Institute headquarters in December of 2003. Marty is currently the Chief Executive Officer of Pride Institute in Minneapolis, MN – overseeing the clinical programs and operations of the four (4) Pride Institute programs located in metropolitan areas throughout the country. In addition to his work at Pride Institute, Marty has authored an academic article (published in *Sexual Addiction & Compulsivity: The Journal of Treatment and Prevention*) as well as numerous articles published in the LGBT media. He has presented at professional conferences throughout the nation on issues affecting LGBT mental health.
and consulted with organizations on LGBT issues. Marty is also actively involved as a Board Member of the National Association of Gay / Lesbian Addiction Professionals (NALGAP).

Concurrent Session 7A ~ A Provider’s Introduction to Substance Abuse Treatment for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, and Transgender Individuals ~ Thursday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

**Denise F. Quirk,** M.A., has a sixteen-year history of treating addicts and their families, teaching college students, serving on an examining board and state gambling council, running a non-profit outpatient gambling center, and ultimately collaborating on the academic training project with the Mountain West ATTC. She developed and teaches the two online problem gambling academic courses. The presenter is licensed as an MFT, certified as a national and state gambling counselor, and licensed as an addiction counselor in Nevada, has presented at state and national conferences, and continues to work as a therapist and supervisor of gambling counselor interns.

Concurrent Session 7D ~ Filling the Knowledge Gap: Academic Curricula in Problem Gambling ~ Thursday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

**Juan Paulo Ramirez,** M.A., Ph.D., joined the Public Policy Center as a Research Specialist in May 2007. Juan Paulo has experience designing surveys, data collection, statistical analysis, and the use of Geographic Information Systems. His focus of research is related to Behavioral Health Projects. Juan Paulo received his Ph.D. in Geography at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln in 2002, where he also earned his Masters Degree. He received his B.A. in Geography from Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile.

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**Mark Rios,** M.S.W., is a Chemical Health Social Worker; born in Durango Mexico, Rios grew up in Texas working in the fields with his family until he graduated high school. While in high school, his family would migrate to Minnesota to work in the Sugar Beets and picking rock. Once he graduated high school he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps to further his education for four years active duty. During his Marine active and in-active 8-year tour he completed his degree in Chemical Dependency Counseling and performed many trainings to his fellow Marines on Prevention. In 1998 Mark joined the agency Communidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) in St Paul, MN as a Prevention Specialist and Chemical Health Assessor where he worked specifically with the Latino community. During the nine years of working with CLUES, Mark worked in the capacity of assessor, project manager, department director and assumed many responsibilities in various state committees that were in the area of Chemical Health. Rios has presented at many conferences over the past 10 years in the area of CD and prevention.

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**Carolyn Ross,** M.P.S., has 24 years of experience working in the field of human services, and her work has encompassed substance abuse prevention and treatment, street gang interventions, criminal justice programs, and services for families. Her career began with Youth Service Project, Inc. in Chicago, Illinois serving as an Outpatient Substance Abuse Counselor, Program Director, and Clinical Director during her tenure. Her involvement with the CENTER began in 1990, where she served as an Outpatient Counselor, Program Manager, and Treatment Supervisor before her departure to serve as the Executive Director of the Martin Luther King Center in Rock Island, Illinois. She returned to the CENTER in 2001, assuming her current position as Executive Director. Ms. Ross has a Bachelors degree in Psychology and a Masters degree in Public Service.

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**Delores Rother**, biography not available at time of printing.

Plenary Panel 3A ~ Recovery Systems – A Collaborative Process ~ Wednesday, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.
Meri L. Shadley, Ph.D., is a Nevada licensed Marriage and Family Therapists and Licensed Substance Abuse Counselor. Dr. Shadley is an Associate Professor at the University of Nevada, Reno. Along with teaching and maintaining a clinical practice, she is the academic coordinator of two minors and a masters' degree specialization in addiction treatment and prevention services for CASAT. In addition, she manages a state grant aimed at increasing clinician’s competency in problem gambling treatment. She has published, consulted, and trained community practitioners extensively in the interconnection of addiction treatment and family therapy with a special focus on women, domestic violence, and other addictions.

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Sarah Shelton, Psy.D., M.S., is a licensed clinical psychologist. She is an Assoc. Clinical Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the Medical College of Georgia. She also owns a private psychological practice and is the Director of Program Evaluation and Outcome Measures at Hope House for Women, a residential substance abuse treatment facility for women struggling with substance abuse and mental illness.

Concurrent Session 13E ~ Program Evaluation and Evidence-Based Practice: The How, When and Why of Outcome Measures ~ Friday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Anne Helene Skinstad, Ph.D., is currently a Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Iowa College of Public Health, Department of Community and Behavioral Health. She is the Director of the Prairielands Addiction Technology Transfer Center (which serves the states of Iowa, Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin). She received her Candidate in Psychology (Cand. Psychol.), equivalent to the Doctor of Psychology (Psy. D.), from the Department of Psychology, the University of Bergen, Norway, in June 1977, and her Ph.D. from the College of Psychology, The University of Bergen in 2001.

Poster Session 1B ~ Outcomes of A Native American Cultural Educational Program for Non-Native Counselors ~ Wednesday, 4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Poster Session 5B ~ The Development Of A Survey Instrument For The Problem Gambling Workforce ~ Thursday, 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.

Poster Session 8A ~ Baseline Study of Problem Gambling and Co-occurring Substance Use Among Students at the University of Iowa ~ Thursday, 2:30 – 3:00 p.m.

Wendy Slutske, Ph.D., graduated with a Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology from the University of Minnesota and spent three years following her Ph.D. as an NIMH postdoctoral fellow in Psychiatric Epidemiology and Biostatistics at Washington University School of Medicine. Dr. Slutske is currently a professor at the University of Missouri in the Department of Psychological Sciences and has recently been awarded the Gold Chalk Award for Excellence in Graduate Education, University of Missouri. Her research interests include the etiology, behavioral genetic studies of risk and protective factors and longitudinal studies of alcoholism and other addictive/disinhibitory disorders. Dr. Slutske is the currently the principle investigator on two National Institute on Mental Health grants, one of which is titled “Genetic Epidemiology of Pathological Gambling.

Concurrent Session 6B ~ What Science Can Do for You: Strengthening Responsible Gaming Programs through Research ~ Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Tracy Smith, M.B.A., Tracy heads up the Client Service team at ZLRIGNITION, the advertising agency for the Iowa Gambling Treatment Program. ZLRIGNITION has handled the marketing campaign promoting 1-800-BETS-OFF in Iowa for the past eleven years.

At ZLRIGNITION, Tracy engineers the development and execution of clients' communication strategies. She brings a unique understanding of what clients expect of their agencies from managing marketing communications and agency relationships from the client side for over 15 years. She has
worked for health care, building products, and agribusiness companies. Tracy's well-rounded marketing background helps ZLRIGNITION clients shape and achieve their marketing objectives to achieve desired business results.

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**Concurrent Session 12B ~ Effective Media Campaigns – State, Private Perspectives ~ Friday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Keith Spare**, MS, M.Div., is the Program Director of the Therapeutic Intervention Center in Kansas City, Missouri. TIC provides both medication assisted treatment for opiate addicts and compulsive gambling treatment. Spare is chair of the Missouri Council on Problem Gambling Concerns, and is the President-elect of the Missouri Alliance to Curb Problem Gambling. He has organized and participated in numerous compulsive gambler counselor trainings in Missouri and Kansas. Spare has served as a consultant and educator throughout the United States in the areas of mental health, substance abuse, compulsive gambling, HIV/AIDS, program accreditation, and program management.

**Closing Plenary 15A ~ Recovery Roads, Our Journeys ~ Friday, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m.**

**Carol Spiker**, CADC, CPP, is a certified Drug and Alcohol Counselor in the State of Kansas and a nationally Certified Prevention Professional. Carol was one of the original founders of the Senior Prevention Intervention Counseling Education (S.P.I.C.E.) program and co-facilitates three trainings addressing older adults: (1) Understanding & Preventing Older Adult Suicide, (2) Problem Gambling Among Older Adults.

**Concurrent Session 13D ~ A Kansas Study of Suicide Among Older Adults: Were Problems with Alcohol and Gambling Involved? ~ Friday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.**

**Rick Thomas**, Tatunka Mani, was born and raised on the Santee Sioux Reservation, and in 1965 joined the United States Army, MOS, was 11B 2P, combat infantry. He served with the 101st Airborne Division, from Jan. of 1966 to Jan. of 1967. During his tour, he was wounded twice, and is currently 100% disabled from the VA. His expertise is clinical administration in the area of Alcohol and drugs, he is also the co-founder of the Red Road Approach and has been training and teaching now for over 26-years. He has served on many boards and commissions, such as Chairman of his tribe for one year, served approximately 9-years in Tribal Government, 5-years as Vice-Chairman, Black Hills Sioux Nation Treaty Council, 4-years as chairman of the Great Plains Indian Gaming Association, 10-years as Indian Commissioner for the State of Nebraska, 2-years on the mediation Commission for the Nebraska Supreme Court, National trainer for Fox Valley, technical College for Bureau of Justice Assistance grantees. His life has been to promote healing from issues of this nature, especially PTSD, which he is 50%, due to heavy fighting in Viet Nam. Life changed 30 years ago when he become a pipe carrier and sundancer, and learned his traditional ways of life of the Dakota People. As a sundance chief, he has danced for 35-years and the past two years did not dance due to his injuries and wounds from Viet Nam.

**Plenary Panel 3A ~ Recovery Systems – A Collaborative Process ~ Wednesday, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.**

**Concurrent Session 6C ~ “TAKU WAKAN SKAN SKAN” Techniques of Indigenous Diagnosis ~ Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – noon**

**Kyle VanBecelaere**, M.S., is a Research Assistant with Data and Information Systems Group in Girard, Kansas. One of his areas of expertise is preparing data for analysis using SPSS. Kyle recently administered an online survey to assess the level of collaboration and capacity for substance use prevention in Kansas communities. Along with analysis of the Kansas Communities That Care (KCTC) data, he is working to coordinate multiple sets of survey data from another state.

**Poster Session 11A ~ Adolescent Gambling in Kansas: A Prevalence of Gambling by Type, Gender, and Age/Grade ~ Friday, 10:00 – 10:30 a.m.**
Mark VanderLinden, M.S.W., is Executive Officer of the Office of Gambling Treatment and Prevention at the Iowa Department of Public Health where he oversees all problem gambling services for the state. He holds a BA from the University of Iowa and a master’s degree in Social Welfare from University of California, Berkeley. Mark has a wide range of clinical social work and administrative experience working with children and families, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS and problem gambling.

- **Plenary Panel 3A ~ Recovery Systems – A Collaborative Process ~** Wednesday, 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

Harlan H. Vogel, M.S., NCGCII, CCGC, LPC, has specialized in the area of pathological gambling since 1995. He is nationally certified, and state certified in Nebraska as a pathological gambling counselor. Harlan is currently the clinical coordinator for the treatment of pathological gamblers for Heartland Family Service in Council Bluffs, Iowa, and Omaha, Nebraska. He has presented educational workshops in Iowa, Nebraska, Arizona and Kansas, and has also been a presenter at a national conference. He is currently on the Board for The Nebraska Council on Compulsive Gambling, and on the Certification Board for Gambling Counselors in Nebraska.

- **Concurrent Session 7E ~ Clinical Coordination for the Treatment of Pathological Gambling ~** Thursday, 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Misty Watson, J.D., B.S.W., a member of Danna McKitrick’s transaction team, Misty Watson concentrates her practice in the area of estate planning and estate administration—specifically the creation of trusts, wills, financial and health care powers of attorney, trust administration, Guardianships, and conservatorships.

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- **Concurrent Session/Panel Discussion 6A ~ Money: Clinical Issues and Therapeutic Strategies for Gambling and Other Addictions ~** Thursday, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Rebecca West, M.S., earned her M.S. in General Psychology from the University of Memphis in 2007 and is currently pursuing her PhD in Clinical Psychology. She has gained valuable research and clinical experience in such renowned places as St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital, The West Clinic, Harvard Medical School, and the National Basketball Association (NBA) franchise in Memphis, TN. Ms. West is a first Generation Ph.D. fellow and has been an author on several projects related to adolescent gambling. She has also been a therapist in the Gambling Clinic for the past four years and has seen a diverse array of clients.

- **Poster Session 8B ~ Gambling Behavior Among African-American Adolescent Males: The Role of Family Configuration and Functioning ~** Thursday, 2:30 – 3:00 p.m.
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