

## Fish and Chips: All-Inclusive Collegiate Problem Gambling Programming

**Event Topic** 

**Gambling** 

**Date / Time**Wed, Mar 30, 2022
10:00 - 11:30am

Location

Virtual

In developing a problem gambling program with colleges and universities; where do you start? Who do you call? Who do you work with? If these answers don't come easy you aren't alone. While professionals in the problem gambling field have known for years that college and university students are at an increased risk for developing problem gambling behaviors, few have been able to get effective and sustainable programs off the ground. These professionals typically receive the same responses of "our students don't gamble" or more often "we have bigger fish to fry." Well, I say, let's fry those fish, but let me add a side of another risk behavior your students just might get involved in, if they aren't already. When developing a problem gambling program with colleges and universities we can't just focus on the sports pools, brackets, video games and poker chips, we must also address the fish. This session will discuss the necessity of integrating problem gambling programming into campus life issues including substance use, mental health, finances, peer support and wellness and highlight key student populations to collaborate with when developing these programs.

## **Learning Objectives**

- Participants will be able to explain strategies in creating college and university buy-in around sustainable problem gambling programming.
- Participants will be able to select campus and student leaders to collaborate with in efforts to promote awareness and increase impact.
- Participants will have developed a stronger sense of responsibility to integrate problem gambling with other topics impacting student life.

## Register

Presenter(s)

## Michael Buzzelli

Michael A. Buzzelli has served as the Associate Director of the Problem Gambling Network of Ohio since February 2020. He has previously served on the organization's Board as its Vice President. Buzzelli serves on numerous local, state and national boards and committees including the Ohio Problem Gambling Advisory Board and the Affiliate and Prevention committees of the National Council on Problem Gambling.

Buzzelli received his Bachelor's Degree in Public Health from Slippery Rock University and his Master of Public Health from Kent State University. He continued his education at Case Western Reserve University where he received a Master's in Bioethics. He has spoken at numerous events and conferences including eight National Conferences on Problem Gambling.

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