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Have you ever felt the need to bet more and

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Risk and Protective Factors for Youth Gambling Behaviors

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Abstract

This study investigates the prevalence of youth gambling behaviors in relation to risk and protective factors in the community. There have been multiple studies regarding risk and protective factors in terms of youth substance use and how these factors assist in addressing prevention needs in a community. Less research has been done in the area of youth gambling and the relationship to risk and protective factors. Results of this study will be used for the purposes of providing data for youth gambling prevention efforts through programs designed to decrease risk factors or increase protective factors. This research will also raise public awareness regarding youth gambling behaviors. Data used is from the Indiana Survey, an annual statewide cross-sectional survey of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Other Drug Use, in grades six thru twelve in Indiana. The Indiana Survey includes survey responses from students in all regions of Indiana on gambling including casinos, betting on sports, playing cards, online gambling, and buying lottery tickets. Risk and Protective Factor Scales, from the Communities That Care, are also on the survey. Indiana defines gambling as risk money or other property for gain, contingent in whole or in part upon lot, chance, or the operation of a gambling device.

Learning Objectives

- Discuss the association between risk / protective factors and youth gambling behaviors.
- Describe the Indiana Youth Survey and the prevalence of youth gambling in Indiana.
- Apply data trends to future study in youth gambling prevention.

Results

Survey results find that 31.9% or 37,956 youth, grades 6th thru 12th (n=119,147) participate in some form of gambling in 2014. Utilizing risk and protective factors, through a logistic regression analysis, we found that most risk and protective factors for substance abuse also apply to gambling. Some of the risk factors include: poor family management, family conflict, and rebelliousness. Protective factors include in relation to prosocial involvement: community resources, family opportunities, and school opportunities.

Discussion

More research in the area of youth gambling behaviors and risk / protective factors needs to be done. Most of the results from this analysis were as expected, however, a couple areas yielded results that require further research. Specifically, the risk factor of school academic failure and the protective factor school rewards for prosocial involvement. One limitation of this study is the scales used are over fifteen years old and need further refinement to understand these areas more thoroughly. This research and future studies will allow Indiana youth serving prevention agencies to tailor prevention planning and education programs more effectively.

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Risk and Protective Factors

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Problem Gambling Counselor Training Event

The Indiana Council on Problem Gambling and the Indiana Problem Gambling Awareness Program are pleased to present a fall training opportunity in Indianapolis.

Trainers: Jeff Beck with Larry Blue (Day 1) Heather Chapman (Day 2 & 3)

Date: For your convenience we are holding the training over the course of 3 days.

October 26th: 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Jeff Beck – Internet Gambling / Jeff Beck & Larry Blue – Problem

more and more money?

Have you ever had to lie to people about how much you gamble?

An answer "yes" to either or both of these questions may indicate a problem with gambling.

Lie Bet Screen by Johnson, E.E., et al. (1988).

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Gambling and Criminal Justice

October 27th: 8:30am – 4:30pm

Heather Chapman – Evidenced Based Practices

October 28th: 8:00am – 12:00pm

Heather Chapman (Same topic continued)

You may choose to attend the times that work best for your schedule. Keep in mind Heather Chapman's presentation from the 27th continues on the 28th.

Cost: This training is absolutely free! Food and snacks provided during training times each day. Including breakfast on the 27th and 28th, Lunch on the 27th, and snacks each day.

Location: Holiday Inn Carmel
251 Pennsylvania Parkway
Indianapolis, IN 46280
Phone: 317 574 4600

Discounted room rate if you reserve **before October 7th**. Please mention the Problem Gambling Fall Conference to receive the reduced rate or follow this link for online registration: [Holiday Inn Booking Link](#).

Register: To register for the training visit the IPGAP website at <http://www.ipgap.indiana.edu/training/> and select the In-person training "Problem Gambling Counselor Training Event". If you do not already have an account, you will need to create one in order to register.

Education Hours: Up to 14 Indiana problem gambling counselor training hours are included. Other CEU's may be available.

Upcoming Training for Clergy and Lay Ministers

ACGCCB Clergy/Lay Ministers Certification

*in Problem Gambling Prevention, Education, Awareness,
and Spiritual Outreach Care*

MODULE 1: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

MODULE 2: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

MODULE 3: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13

MODULE 4: SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

ALL SESSIONS: 9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Location: ST. PETER CATHOLIC CHURCH

145 Barr Street, Lexington, Kentucky

Registration is open. Register at rjacobs62@earthlink.net Please, indicate the Module(s) for which you are registering OR all Modules.