

Session 11

Title: Overview of Certification, Review of Study Guide & Exam Prep

Date: 3/4/2025

9 am-11 am

Presenter: Kaitlin Brown LPC, LADC, ICGC II, IGDC, BACC

Description:

This training will provide the opportunity for participants to learn about the three types of gambling disorder certification offered in CT. This includes prevention, specialty competency, and clinical certification. The certification criteria, requirements, and process for all levels, as well as the support and resources available, will be explained. Participants will have the opportunity to hear first-hand experiences from those who have been through the certification process.

Objectives:

1. Participants will gain an understanding of the three types of certifications available in the state.
2. Participants will walk away with an understanding of the certification criteria, while also gaining an understanding of resources available to them.
3. Participants will hear first-hand experiences from a panel of people who have achieved all three levels of certification.

Presenter Bio:

Kaitlin Brown has been in the field of gambling related harm and Co-occurring disorders for over 15 years. She brings enthusiasm and commitment to her work of helping individuals affected by Gambling Disorder and increasing community awareness. As a Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), Licensed Drug and Alcohol Counselor (LADC), Internationally Certified Gambling Counselor (ICGC II), Internationally Certified in Gaming Disorder (IGDC), and Board Approved Clinical Consultant (BACC) with the International Gambling Counselor Certification Board (IGCCB), Kaitlin possesses a wealth of knowledge in providing counseling and supervision.

Her role as the Senior Director of Programs and Services for the Connecticut Council on Problem Gambling (CCPG) showcases her leadership and organizational skills in overseeing statewide helpline services, developing prevention programs and educational opportunities. Additionally, her involvement as an Adjunct Professor at Fairfield University, underscores her dedication to educating future generations of counselors and professionals in the field. Kaitlin's contributions extend beyond direct counseling services as she actively shares her knowledge and experiences through presentations at the state, regional, and national level. Her involvement on the Executive Team for the National Council on Problem Gambling's Prevention Committee and positions held as Co-chair of both the NCPG's Prevention and Helpline Committees, further exemplify her commitment to advancing problem gambling efforts on a broader scale.

Recognition of Kaitlin's efforts, such as receiving the NCPG's Annual Jim Wuelfing Prevention Award and the Coalition Sector All Star Award with the Connecticut Association of Prevention Professionals, speaks to the impact she has made on the field and the positive outcomes she's achieved through her innovative initiatives. Kaitlin is a mother to two girls, making her passion for prevention and education even stronger to reduce risks for young people.