



“Know When the Game is Playing You”

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Leader's Guide and member's handout

Educational Goals:

- Become more aware of the gambling addiction problem in Kansas.
- Learn what makes people vulnerable to addiction.
- Learn what social status is most likely to develop an addiction.
- Become aware of some of the warning signs of an addiction.
- Become aware of the treatments available for those with a gambling addiction.

Community Activities

- ❖ Invite a member of the State KDADS team to your FCE meeting to present the lesson.
- ❖ Sponsor a public meeting on the topic of gambling addiction in conjunction with KDADS.
- ❖ Distribute state-provided pamphlets to groups or individuals about gambling addiction.
- ❖ Prepare a poster on the topic of gambling to display at a variety of public venues.

. Problem gambling is defined by repetitive gambling behavior despite harm and negative consequences. This disorder is frequently associated with social and family costs. As you are aware, problem gambling and gaming in Kansas is constantly evolving, whether it is online gaming, casino slots, and/or sports betting. Problem gambling and gaming do not discriminate between age, gender, or ethnicity, nor does KDADS in assuring that Kansans who want assistance with problem gambling and gaming will receive it.

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KDADS will provide speakers and printed material at each of the 5 area FCE Council Meetings in November. The lesson material will cover concerns about gambling and how to get assistance with them.