

## **ECPG Fact Sheet**

**Mission:** Evergreen Council on Problem Gambling is an award-winning, 501(c)(3), not-for-profit organization. Founded in 1991, ECPG is committed to providing services and programs for problem gamblers, their families, employers, students, treatment professionals, and the greater community through gambling addiction treatment support, information and education, advocacy, research, and prevention efforts. Programs offered:

<u>Training:</u> We offer comprehensive training workshops to meet the requirements for problem gambling certification for counselors, and courses specifically designed to help counselors prepare for and successfully complete the National Certification Exam.

<u>Helpline:</u> We provide a confidential and free 24/7 Helpline 1-800-547-6133 to assist problem gamblers and their family members with treatment and other long-term services. The Helpline supports both call and text, and people can also choose the cat option available on our website at evergreencpg.org.

<u>Treatment:</u> We support outpatient and inpatient treatment for problem gamblers and their family members (Washington State residents). We maintain a directory of outpatient providers in Washington State. Some financial funding for counseling is available.

<u>Awareness:</u> We conduct public awareness presentations for businesses, human services organizations, senior centers, colleges, universities, and others.

## **Youth Programs:**

<u>Peer-to-Peer:</u> The Peer-to-Peer program partners with Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery and HOT 103.7 FM to provide the Peer-to-Peer Campaign. Each year, at least one school district and its high school business students (usually part of a DECA program) run a full marketing campaign, sharing multi-media elements and youth problem gambling awareness messaging with their peers.

