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Language of Recovery-Combating Gambling Stigma

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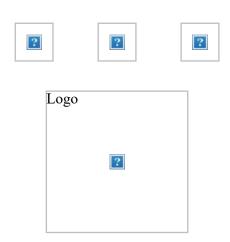
Stigma still exists and negatively impacts those with addiction and/or mental health disorders. The stigmatizing language clinicians use can have a profound negative effect on a person in recovery. This webinar will enable you to develop a greater understanding of the powerful nature of stigma, one of the greatest barriers to individuals receiving treatment and recovery support services. Various types of stigma will be discussed as well as stigmatizing language which will be contrasted with "Language of Recovery" terms. Attendees will learn ways of combating problem/disordered gambling stigma through stigma reduction initiatives and learn how to "destigmatize" their workplace.

Presenter: George J. Mladenetz



George Mladenetz has worked in the addictions and mental health fields for over 40

years. George possesses a Master's degree in Counseling from The College of NJ. He has been licensed as a Clinical Alcohol and Drug Counselor since 2005 and is an International Certified Gambling Counselor-II. George's experience in the field of addictions helped him realize that stigma is often seen as a barrier keeping individuals from seeking treatment and also negatively impacting the family/loved ones of disordered gamblers. In his "Tips & Topics" newsletter, Dr. David Mee-Lee published articles written by George regarding stigma, gambling disorder and language of recovery. George has spoken nationally on these topics. He retired from the Council on Compulsive Gambling of NJ in 2020 after 6 years of service. George remains active in the field of gambling disorder as a clinical consultant, trainer and writer. He is a member of the National Council on Problem Gambling and serves as a board member for the International Gambling Counselor Certification Board.



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