

Gambling Specific Policies for Recovery Centers

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Learning Objectives

- Why incorporating problem gambling into Recovery Centers is important.
- How to implement problem gambling into your policies, events, and fundraisers.

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What is a Recovery Center?

- Provide information, non-clinical support, and education to individuals in recovery, their families, friends and other allies. They're committed to supporting efforts to prevent relapse and, if relapse occurs, supporting a quick return to recovery.
- RCOCs are not meant as a substitute for treatment.
- Peer led, peer driven services
- Deliver recovery support services
 - Skill building
 - Recreation
 - Wellness education
 - Mutual Aid meetings

Credit: Friends of Recovery – New York

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Rob Constantine Recovery Community and Outreach Center

Established in 2017 it is the mission of the RCRCOC to provide and promote peer-based recovery supports and services that empower individuals and families to lead healthy, joyful lives in sustained, long-term recovery.

Our vision is ongoing recovery support and awareness for all

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It is a written document that helps provide a gambling-free environment for participants/clients and employees.

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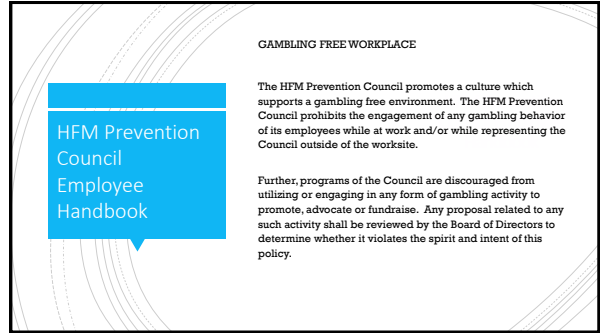


Approximately 10 million people in the United States live with a gambling addiction

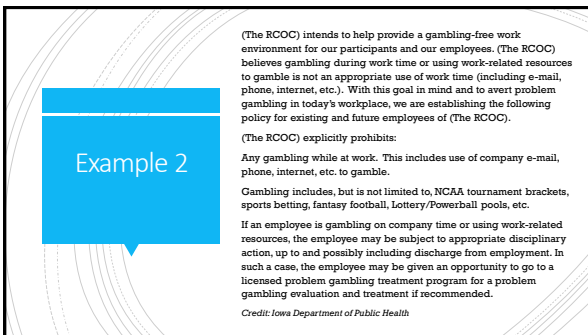
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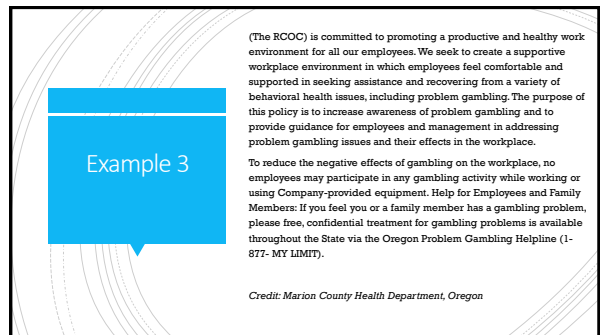
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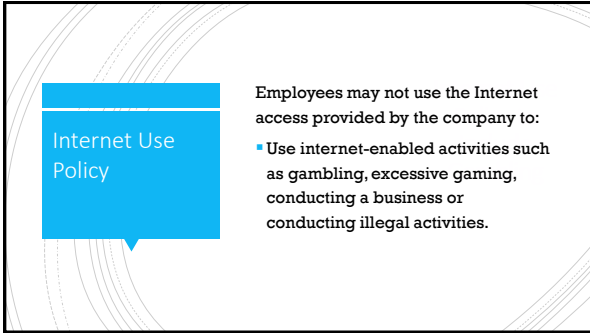
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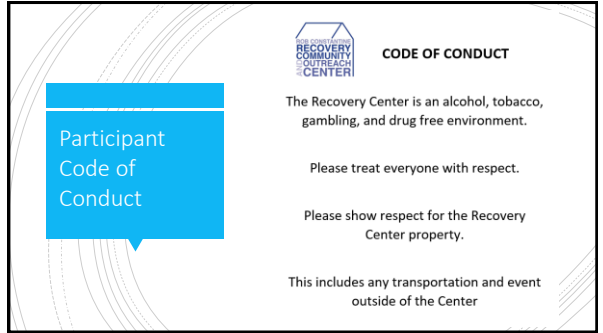


Internet Use Policy

Employees may not use the Internet access provided by the company to:

- Use internet-enabled activities such as gambling, excessive gaming, conducting a business or conducting illegal activities.

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RECOVERY COMMUNITY OUTREACH CENTER

CODE OF CONDUCT

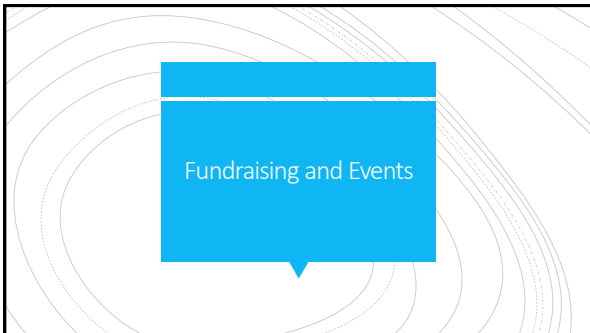
The Recovery Center is an alcohol, tobacco, gambling, and drug free environment.

Please treat everyone with respect.

Please show respect for the Recovery Center property.

This includes any transportation and event outside of the Center

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Fundraising and Events

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Fundraising

- Bingo
- Raffles
 - 50/50
 - Baskets
- Card games
 - Casino Night
 - Poker Tournament
- Carnival games



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Fundraising alternatives

- 5K
- Photo exhibit
- Car wash
- Bake sale
- Battle of the Bands
- Prom Night/Gala/Ball
- Talent show
- Chili cook-off



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Events

(Local Organization/Event Letterhead)

Whereas, recent research indicates that among New York State youth between the ages of 12 and 17, 29.9% have gambled in the past year. Nearly 30% of those youth stated that they began at age 12 or younger. NYE Youth who gamble reported higher past 30 day rates of alcohol use, marijuana use, consumption of energy drinks and incidents of being drunk than non-gamblers.¹

Whereas, it is known that the younger an adolescent begins gambling, the more likely he/she is to develop a gambling addiction;

Whereas, underage gambling brings with it a number of negative consequences, many of which are serious, and can be devastating to the youth as well as his/her family and friends, including:

- Increased risk of delinquency and crime,
- Damaged relationships,
- Poor academic performance,²
- Increased likelihood of developing mental health issues including depression and alcohol/substance abuse disorders,³
- Attempted suicide,⁴ and
- Overall poor general health.⁵

Whereas, decreasing youth access to gambling activities is shown to decrease the prevalence of underage gambling, and in turn, to decrease the rates of problem gambling in a community.⁶

Therefore, the (event board) has decided that the (event) on (date of event) will be gambling-free in an effort to protect the youth of our community.

Credit: youthdecideny.org

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For more information

- preventionlane.org/workplace-gambling-policies
- youthdecideny.org
- yourecovery.com
- hfm-preventioncouncil.com
- <https://nyproblemgambling.org>
- <https://nyproblemgamblinghelp.org>

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Questions?

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