

## **Web seminar: Youth gambling issues and interventions Tuesday 25 February 9am-12pm AEDT**

Problem gambling is usually regarded as an adult issue, however rates of adolescent gambling problems are between 2-4 times those of adults.

This Webinar will provide participants with the most recent information on youth gambling, ways in which they may help teens with gambling problems, and describe resources and strategies available to help minimise harm associated with gambling.

The speakers will show how adolescents gain access to gambling activities, what issues arise from those activities, the tools available for assessing problem gambling among youth, practical strategies for the prevention and treatment of youth gambling problems. It will include information on who does and does not present for help in Victoria and effective ways of engaging with and reaching young people.

### **Speakers**



**Jeffrey L. Derevensky, Ph.D.**, is a child psychologist, Professor and Director of Clinical Training in School/Applied Child Psychology and a Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at McGill University. He is the co-director of McGill University's International Centre for Youth Gambling Problems and High-Risk Behaviors.

His recent book *Teen Gambling: Understanding a Growing Epidemic 2012* will provide a starting point for this Webinar.



**Mette Hotker** is a counsellor and portfolio worker in the St Luke's Gambler's Help Services in Bendigo. She has been a recipient of the Problem Gambling Research and Treatment Centre Practitioner Fellowship and is currently doing her PhD at LaTrobe. Mette works together with a team of gambler's help staff to develop effective ways

of assisting young people who experience problem gambling.

### **Registration**

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**The deadline for registration is Friday 21 February 2014**



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