

## **GAMBLING SCREENING TOOL**

## Warning: The following screening tool is intended to identify problem gambling. It is not to replace professional and clinical judgment. Consult a clinician for proper diagnosis.

Answer each question as it applies to you:

	YES	NO
Do you gamble with increasing amounts of money in order to achieve desired excitement?		
Do you lie to others about your involvement in gambling?		
A yes answer to either of the above questions indicates that you may have a gambling problem.		
Are you preoccupied with reliving past gambling experiences, or thinking of ways to get money to gamble?		
Are you unable to cut back, control or stop gambling?		
Do you feel anxious or irritable when attempting to cut down or stop gambling?		
After losing, do you feel that you must return as soon as possible to win back your losses?		
Do you use gambling as a way of escaping from problems or relieving a sad mood?		
Have you committed illegal acts (i.e., bad checks, etc.) in order to subsidize gambling or pay gambling debts?		
Do you rely on others to provide money or bail you out of a desperate financial situation caused by gambling?		
Have you jeopardized or lost a significant relationship, job or other opportunities because of gambling?		

If you answered yes to five (5) or more of the above items, you may have a gambling problem.

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