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### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

### Overview

California Gambling Education and Treatment Services (CalGETS) is a statewide program for clients with problem gambling and affected individuals (Als) (family members and friends affected by someone with problem gambling). Over 975 individuals received treatment through CalGETS in fiscal year (FY) 2020-21. Services are accessible to all California residents, aged 18 and older, at no cost to the client. Oversight of CalGETS is conducted by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) Office of Problem Gambling (OPG) and the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Gambling Studies Program (UGSP). Since the beginning of CalGETS in 2009, over 17,000 individuals have received treatment through the program to address the harmful impacts of problem gambling. CalGETS provides treatment to a broad spectrum of gamblers and Als. Treatment is provided via a range of treatment modalities in the Treatment Services Network and is available in a variety of languages. At follow-up, CalGETS clients report improved quality of life and satisfaction with the treatment services.

### Provider Treatment Services Network

Licensed providers and agencies offer treatment services in various formats to address the diverse needs of individuals with a gambling disorder and/or Als, including:

- Outpatient treatment is offered by a network of OPG-authorized, licensed mental
  health providers. Gamblers and Als participate in individual and group treatment
  that is based on the provider's treatment approach and philosophy. Treatment
  incorporates CalGETS training and clinical guidance, which gives providers access to
  leading-edge knowledge and developments in the field of gambling treatment.
- Intensive Outpatient (IOP) allows clients to participate in three hours of gamblingspecific treatment per day, three times per week and receive individual, group and family treatment.
- Residential Treatment Programs (RTP) address the treatment needs of clients who require a 24-hour residential treatment setting.
- Problem Gambling Telephone Interventions (PGTI) are provided in English, Spanish, and various Asian languages.

### CalGETS Providers: A Diverse and Skilled Workforce

CalGETS trains, authorizes, provides clinical guidance, and oversees 190 licensed mental health providers (with an average of 7.4 years of experience treating gambling), as well as oversees six treatment programs, all engaged in delivering evidenced-based treatment to gamblers and Als.

Treatment services are available in 31 languages/dialects.

### COVID Impact on CalGETS

 COVID-19 shelter-in-place and similar directives resulted in a reduction in intakes during FY 2020-21. CalGETS RTP programs temporarily halted new admissions to the programs, but continued to treat clients already receiving services.

- To address these issues, CalGETS/OPG approved telehealth services via telephone for all treatment types in early 2020. In December 2020 secure web-cam telehealth services were approved for providers of all treatment types.
- CalGETS/OPG also approved requests (with clinical justification) for additional blocks of treatment.
- UGSP developed questions on COVID impact on treatment for incorporation in the annual Provider Survey.

# CalGETS Treatment Outcomes (FY 2020-21) Gamblers:

- 728 gamblers received treatment across the treatment network. Nearly two-thirds
  (61%) received outpatient services, 28% were served in PGTI, 8% were served in IOP,
  and 3% were served in RTP. Of gamblers enrolled in outpatient services, 10% were
  served in group treatment.
- During treatment, the degree to which clients perceived that gambling interfered with their normal activities decreased on a 100-point scale by an average of 10 to 21 points (depending on treatment modality).
- The intensity of gambling urges reported by CalGETS clients from Intake to last treatment contact decreased by an average of 7 to 16 points (depending on treatment modality) on a self-reported 100-point scale.
- Life satisfaction as measured by a self-reported 100-point scale increased from Intake to last treatment contact by an average of 7 to 8 points (depending on treatment modality), except RTP with a 1 point decrease.
- By the end of CalGETS treatment client levels of depression, on average, improved.

### CalGETS GAMBLER CHARACTERISTICS AT INTAKE: HEALTH AND WELLNESS

Medical	The most common co-occurring health conditions of CalGETS clients are
Problems	hypertension, obesity, and diabetes.
	Among CalGETS outpatient clients, 25% currently smoke. This percentage is
Smoking	more than twice the state average. In IOP, the prevalence rate of smoking is
	32%, among PGTI clients 22%, and among RTP clients 0%.
	25% of CalGETS outpatient clients report a binge drinking episode (for men,
	more than five drinks, and for women, more than four drinks in a single
Alcohol Use	occasion) in the past month, compared to 24% of adult Californians reporting
	binge drinking in the past month (National Survey on Drug Use and Health
	[NSDUH]).
	According to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH), 15% of the
Cannabis	adult population of California reported using cannabis within the past month.
	Among CalGETS outpatient clients, 21% used cannabis.
Ctoto of	According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), 15% of adults in California
State of	reported their health as "fair or poor" in 2020. In comparison, about 31% of
Health	gamblers across the treatment network reported their health as "fair or poor."

Health	About 81% of all CalGETS clients reported having health insurance, but less is
Insurance	known about their costs to maintain insurance, including premiums and
ilisurance	deductibles.
Access to	Approximately 73% of CalGETS clients reported they currently have a physician
Health Care	they can access for primary care needs.
	22% of CalGETS outpatient clients scored in the moderately severe to severe
Donrossion	depression range as measured by the Patient Health Questionnaire (PHQ-9)
Depression	compared to 7% of adult Californians reporting a major depressive episode in
	the past year (NSDUH).
Anvioty	46% of outpatient clients appear to have Generalized Anxiety Disorder based
on their scores on the GAD-2 anxiety screening instrument.	
Based on the ASRS screening instrument for attention-deficit hyperactivity	
ADHD	disorders (ADHD), it appears that 33% of outpatient clients may have ADHD.

### Affected Individuals:

- 251 Als received treatment across the treatment network. Most (87%) were served as outpatients (n=218). The remaining 33 clients received treatment from PGTI.
- Als are spouses/significant others (53%), children (18%), parents (11%), siblings (7%), or other relation (11%) of gamblers; 78% of Als are female.
- During treatment, the degree to which Als report that the problem gambler's behaviors
  interfered with normal activities, the degree to which they feel responsible for the
  gambler's treatment and recovery, and the amount of time they spent dealing with the
  consequences of problem gambling improved (decreased). Depression also decreased
  and life satisfaction increased.

Als were similar to gamblers in terms of medical problems and insurance status. Also of note was the percentage of Outpatient Als who reported current drinking (50%) relative to Outpatient gamblers (48%). Fewer Outpatient Als reported their state of health as fair or poor (26%) compared to Outpatient gamblers, but this was 11% greater than adult Californians. However, the percentage of Outpatient Als reporting smoking was 8% in FY 2020-21, lower than the percentage of smokers among Californians (10%).

### Client Follow-up

Treatment follow-up interviews take place at 30 days, 90 days, and one year after treatment entry and are designed for program evaluation and to assess the impact of treatment. UGSP completed 408 treatment follow-up telephone interviews. Results show that both gamblers' and Als' improved quality of life sustained over time and that treatment participants are generally satisfied with treatment providers.

### Clinical Integrations

Housed within UGSP, these projects create and test new resources and clinical tools to identify best practices for the treatment of gambling disorders. During FY2020-21, UGSP and OPG worked with two community agencies to develop proposals to address disparities among those reached for CalGETS education and treatment.

UGSP and *Visión y Compromiso* will conduct a 2-year project in Los Angeles and San Diego Counties to pilot and evaluate culturally relevant enhancements to CalGETS' outreach, education, screening, and referral system. This enhancement involves the use of *promotoras* (lay health workers) to increase CalGETS utilization in the Latino community.

UGSP and the Riverside San Bernardino Indian Health Centers (RSBIHC) have developed a pilot project to provide education, screening, and treatment referrals for those with gambling problems in the tribal community.

### 1. CalGETS PROGRAM STRUCTURE

### Introduction

The California Gambling Education and Treatment Services (CalGETS) program is the result of a collaboration between the California Department of Public Health Office of Problem Gambling (OPG) and the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) Gambling Studies Program (UGSP). This collaboration, which has been ongoing since 2009, has the following goals:

- Establish and maintain a statewide treatment program that will reduce the harmful impact of problem gambling in California.
- Establish a broad spectrum of treatment services using a stepped-care approach
  to address diverse multi-cultural treatment needs for those with problem
  gambling or affected individuals (Als).
- Establish training events that will enhance the knowledge and therapeutic skills of licensed health providers.
- Disseminate screening tools and information about the availability of treatment services.
- Ensure that all eligible clients have access to treatment providers capable of addressing unique individual needs and preferences.
- Empower clients to be involved in the recovery process by being informed about and participating in all treatment decisions made about the services they receive.
- Enhance effective delivery of services, by monitoring client outcomes and evaluating information and data collected from providers and clients.

CalGETS consists of three main components: treatment provider training, a treatment services network, and a clinical integrations program. The treatment services network consists of the following: PGTI for gamblers and Als, Outpatient (Individual and Group) treatment for gamblers and Als, IOP treatment for gamblers only, and Residential treatment for gamblers only. Participant follow-up interviews are conducted by UGSP for the treatment services network. The CalGETS collaborative model is outlined in **Figure 1**. Descriptions of the components are provided below.

Office of Problem Gambling (OPG) **GRM VisualVault** University of California, Los **Angeles Gambling Studies** Data Management Program (UGSP) Treatment Training of Clinical Licensed **Services** Integrations **Providers** Network **Problem** Intensive Residential Clinical Group Phase I Gambling Outpatient Outpatient **Treatment** UGSP Guidance Outpatient & II Telephone **Treatment Treatment** Program Research and Treatment Trainings Intervention (IOP) (RTP) Support (PGTI) **Authorized CalGETS** Union of Pan **Providers &** HealthRIGHT Beit Lifeworks Beit Asian T'Shuvah Clinical T'Shuvah 360 **Communities** Guidance (UPAC) **Professionals** 

FIGURE 1. CalGETS COLLABORATIVE MODEL

### Training of Licensed Providers

In order to become an authorized CalGETS provider, licensed mental health providers attend training comprised of an 18 hour online course and three additional virtual live 4-hour training days (12 hours). Upon completing the required 30-hours of Phase I training, those who meet criteria to become an authorized provider in CalGETS are eligible to receive fee-for-service reimbursement from the State of California. Within two years of completing CalGETS provider authorization, providers are required to participate in 10 hours of CalGETS Clinical Guidance and Support, with 5 hours required in the first year. Clinical guidance is offered via telephone conference calls and led by a CalGETS Clinical Guidance Professional with extensive experience in the diagnosis and management of gambling-related problems.

As part of CalGETS compliance, authorized providers must complete 5 hours of gambling-specific Continuing Education Units each calendar year, beginning after their first year of authorization. CalGETS-authorized providers are given the opportunity to participate in Phase II training sessions, which consist of five-hour, single-day trainings provided by OPG and UGSP. Phase II training is intended to deliver advanced study and current information on gambling

disorder treatments. Additionally, UGSP and OPG staff members conduct in-person compliance monitoring reviews of active providers to ensure compliance with CalGETS policies and procedures.<sup>1</sup>

### Treatment Services Network

The Treatment Services Network offers a continuum of evidenced-based services to individuals with gambling disorders and to those affected by someone with gambling disorder. These services are offered at no cost to California residents and treatment is available in 31 languages/dialects. Within the Treatment Services Network, the following treatment services are offered:

Outpatient (Individual and Group): Gamblers and Als may receive three treatment blocks of eight face-to-face sessions from the authorized CalGETS provider network. Licensed providers use their own clinical experience and treatment philosophies, along with CalGETS training to provide evidence-based services. During FY 2020-21, there were 190 active, authorized CalGETS providers. Gamblers and Als may also receive 24 in-treatment group sessions. This does not include the mandatory individual screening prior to attending group in-treatment sessions or the individual end-of-group session. Group treatment sessions may be comprised of a mixture of gamblers and Als, and must include 3-10 participants.

Intensive Outpatient (IOP): Gamblers may receive up to three 30-day treatment blocks (up to 90 days) of more IOP care. Beit T'Shuvah Right Action Gambling Program in Los Angeles and Union of Pan Asian Communities (UPAC) in San Diego currently provide IOP services three hours per day, three times per week to clients requiring more intensive services. Services include individual, group, and family counseling.

Residential Treatment Programs (RTP): Individuals with gambling disorder, including those with significant comorbidity, may receive up to three 30-day treatment blocks (up to 90 days) of residential care. RTP services are offered through two residential facilities: Beit T'Shuvah Right Action Gambling Program in Los Angeles and HealthRIGHT 360 in San Francisco. Individuals in RTP receive a minimum of 15 hours of gambling specific treatment per week. They attend groups on a daily basis, receive individual therapy once per week, and are encouraged to attend 12-step groups. Treatment addressing comorbid conditions such as mood disorders and substance abuse is provided as needed.

Problem Gambling Telephone Intervention (PGTI): Gamblers and Als may receive up to three treatment blocks of eight sessions in the PGTI program. Telephone intervention allows access to treatment services for clients who may be disabled, lack transportation, or live in rural areas of the state where outpatient services are not available. PGTI services are provided in English, Spanish, and Asian languages. Intake is provided by LifeWorks (formerly named Morneau Shepell), the toll-free helpline administrator, that then coordinates referrals to PGTI providers.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Statewide COVID-19 restrictions prevented the completion of in-person compliance monitoring during FY 2020-21.

Services are delivered by licensed, trained mental health providers with the intention of immediate service delivery and the goal of transferring clients to outpatient services if needed.

In all cases, providers can request additional treatment blocks for their clients by providing clinical justification.

### **COVID Impact on CalGETS**

COVID-19 shelter-in-place and similar directives resulted in a reduction in intakes during FY 2020-21. CalGETS RTP programs temporarily halted new admissions to the programs, but continued to treat clients already receiving services. To address these issues for Outpatient and IOP clients, CalGETS/OPG approved telehealth services via telephone in early 2020 and in December 2020 secure web-cam telehealth services were approved for providers of all treatment types. CalGETS/OPG also approved requests (with clinical justification) for additional blocks of treatment. As a result, in-treatment clients received, on average, more blocks of treatment, but fewer clients entered treatment than in past years. UGSP developed questions on COVID impact on treatment for incorporation into the annual Provider Survey.

### Treatment Participant Follow-up

UGSP collects follow-up information from CalGETS clients to determine whether they have benefitted from the services they received. CalGETS clients who consent to follow-up are contacted at 30, 90, and 365 days after entering treatment. Participants are queried on satisfaction with treatment, current gambling behaviors, depression, and quality of life. Referrals to additional treatment are provided when requested.

### Clinical Integrations

This component of CalGETS consists of ongoing and innovative research designed to advance the field, and establish best practices and evidence-based treatments for gamblers and Als throughout California.

# 2. FY 2020-21 TREATMENT REPORT DATA SOURCES AND METHODS Data Sources

Data are obtained from the CalGETS client forms. Data are entered by CalGETS providers into the CalGETS Data Management System (DMS), an online, real-time data entry, storage, and reporting system. The DMS user interface allows providers to enter client data directly into the CalGETS database as they collect it. These data are confidential and stored on encrypted GRM Information Management Services/VisualVault servers and are available to designated analysts at GRM/VisualVault, OPG, and UGSP to run reporting functions on the data in the system. During FY 2020-21, all providers entered their data into the DMS.

## Instruments *Gamblers*

Patient Health Questionnaire-9 (PHQ-9) (Kroenke & Spitzer, 2002): The PHQ-9 consists of nine items assessing both severity of depressive symptoms and the presence of a provisional depressive disorder diagnosis. Each of the nine items is scored on a scale ranging from 0 (not at all) to 3 (nearly every day) with total scores ranging from 0 to 27. If five or more of the depressive symptoms are endorsed as "more than half the days" and at least one of those symptoms includes depressed mood or anhedonia (loss of the ability to feel pleasure), a provisional diagnosis of major depression is given. The ninth item asks about thoughts of self-harm or suicide and, if it is endorsed at all, counts towards the total for a depressive disorder diagnosis.<sup>2</sup> As a measure of severity, there are four threshold cutoff points for mild (5-9), moderate (10-14), moderately-severe (15-19), and severe (20 or more). Data support both the diagnostic and severity functions for PHQ-9 Scores (Kroenke & Spitzer, 2002). There are also data that suggest that the PHQ-9 is sensitive to changes in depression over time in treatment (Löwe, Kroenke, Herzog, & Gräfe, 2004).

National Opinion Research Center's DSM-IV Screen for Gambling Problems (NODS): A modified version of the NODS (Gerstein et al., 1999) is used to assess clients' past year gambling problems. This has been revised to reflect DSM-5 gambling disorder criteria. The Modified NODS combines questions to produce the 9 items needed to calculate a DSM-5 NODS score. It uses a true/false format and results in scores ranging from 0 to 9 with each of the items endorsed as "true" counting towards the total score. A score of 0 indicates a low-risk gambler, 1 to 3 indicates problem gambling behavior that does not meet full criteria for gambling disorder, 4 to 5 indicates a mild gambling disorder, 6 to 7 indicates a moderate gambling disorder, and 8 to 9 indicates a severe gambling disorder.

**Generalized Anxiety Disorder (GAD) 2:** The GAD-2 is a two-item anxiety screening scale. Treatment participants are asked to rate how much they have been bothered over the past two weeks by feeling nervous, anxious, or on edge, and by not being able to stop or control worrying. They select from a four-point Likert scale (not at all = 0, several days = 1, more than

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Clients who endorse thoughts of self-harm or suicide are immediately assisted by providers, or, if they endorse these thoughts during follow-up calls, are immediately put in touch with UGSP clinicians.

half the days = 2, nearly every day = 3). A cutoff score of 3 on the GAD-2 has a sensitivity of 86% and specificity of 83% for a diagnosis of generalized anxiety disorder (Kroenke, Spitzer, Williams, Monahan, & Löwe, 2007).

Adult Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD) Self-Report Scale (ASRS-v.1.1): The ASRS screener consists of the six items based on DSM criteria most predictive of ADHD symptoms (Adler et al., 2006). Treatment participants rate the items based on how they have felt and conducted themselves over the past 6 months using a five-point Likert scale (never to very often). The instrument has been shown to have adequate sensitivity (68.7%), excellent specificity (99.5%), excellent total classification accuracy (97.9%) and good test-retest reliability (interclass correlation of 0.86) (Adler et al., 2006; Kessler, et al., 2005; Kessler, et al., 2007; Matza, Van Brunt, Cates, & Murray, 2011). The instrument has a scoring algorithm – four or more ratings of "sometimes," "often," or "very often" (depending on the item) indicate that the treatment participant has symptoms highly consistent with ADHD in adults and further investigation is warranted.

**Life Satisfaction:** A single question is used to assess life satisfaction: "How would you rate your overall life satisfaction?" This item is rated on a scale from 0 (least satisfied) to 100 (most satisfied); higher scores indicate greater life satisfaction.

**Urges to Gamble**: A single question is used to assess the strength of urges to gamble: "How strong are your urges to gamble?" It is rated on a scale from 0 (no urges) to 100 (strongest urges). Higher scores indicate stronger urges to gamble.

Interference with Normal Activities: The question "How much has gambling interfered with your normal activities?" assesses gambling-related interference in daily life. Respondents rate life interference on a scale ranging from 0 (no interference) to 100 (extreme interference). Higher scores indicate greater life interference due to gambling.

Affected Individuals (AIs)

PHQ-9: See Above.

GAD-2: See Above.

**ASRS-v.1.1:** See Above.

**Life Satisfaction**: See Above.

Responsibility for Gambler's Recovery: Als' feelings of responsibility for the gambler's recovery are assessed by asking, "How much responsibility do you have for the problem gambler's treatment and recovery?" Respondents answer using a 100-point scale ranging from 0 (No Responsibility) to 100 (Complete Responsibility); higher scores indicate a greater sense of responsibility.

**Time Dealing with Consequences**: Respondents are asked "What percentage of time do you spend dealing with the consequences of problem gambling?" Responses are rated on a scale ranging from 0 to 100; with higher scores indicating more time dealing with consequences.

Gambler's Interference with Normal Activities: A single item, "How much has the problem gambler's behaviors interfered with your normal activities?" is used to assess the gambler's interference with the respondent's normal activities. A scale ranging from 0 (No Interference) to 100 (Extreme Interference) is used to rate this item. Higher scores indicate more interference.

### **Analyses**

In FY 2018-19 we made changes to the data reporting instruments resulting in differences in how items are reported from past years. This was done so that CalGETS reporting would conform to standard health reporting surveys such as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (CDC BRFSS). The current dataset continues these changes which include:

- Refining the definition of binge drinking from 5 drinks on an occasion for all, to 5 drinks on an occasion for men and 4 drinks on an occasion for women.
- Asking about drug and alcohol use over the past 30 days rather than the past year.

In the current report, unduplicated admissions are reported (i.e., using only first admission for individuals with multiple admissions in the FY). As a result, the number of treatment episodes, including levels of outcomes achieved, may be higher than reflected in this report. Frequency and percentage information is reported and does not necessarily represent significant differences between groups or across administration periods. It should be noted that, as is typical of psychological treatment, client attrition occurs over time resulting in diminishing sample sizes after treatment entry.

Outpatient treatment is offered in blocks of eight sessions, and IOP and RTP are offered in 30-day treatment blocks. Clients may discontinue treatment at any time, not just at the end of a scheduled treatment block. This means the "dose" of treatment a client receives may vary not only by the type of treatment they participate in, but also in how long they chose to participate. To ensure we capture data about clients as they leave treatment (Last Treatment Contact), we utilize data from the End of Treatment (EOT) form, or, from the client's last In-Treatment form when an EOT form is not available. Data analysis involved determining simple means, medians, and percentages and was performed using SPSS Version 27. Data distributions were examined and, if necessary, extreme outliers were trimmed to reduce the effect of possibly spurious values.

### 3. CalGETS PROVIDERS AND TRAINING

Trained CalGETS providers deliver treatment services through the Treatment Services Network. Clients are referred to the network from a number of sources including a problem gambling helpline (1-800-GAMBLER), family or friends, Gamblers Anonymous (GA), former clients, UGSP or OPG websites, health care professionals, outreach campaigns, information provided at gambling venues, and other sources. CalGETS providers are mental health professionals who are trained to ensure that high quality services are available for individuals seeking treatment. In addition to clinical training on the treatment of gambling disorder, CalGETS providers receive

training on program quality assurance (i.e., specifying timelines for providers to make contact and meet with referrals, determining client eligibility according to CalGETS criteria, collecting and completing all required forms, referring clients to other programs and services if clinically indicated, and providing culturally and linguistically appropriate services). In FY 2020-21, UGSP and OPG conducted two Phase I trainings online in January and February 2021. On March 1, 2021, OPG and UGSP conducted a one-day training Summit with 3 sessions. Then, every week in March, a pre-recorded session was released and made available for the entire month of March for CalGETS providers and others. Phase II training was not conducted in FY 2020-2021.

Shortly after the close of FY 2020-21, UGSP conducted a survey with all active CalGETS providers to obtain information on provider characteristics and experiences with CalGETS (2021 Provider Survey Report). All providers were required by OPG to complete the survey between August and September 2021, unless given an exemption. The Treatment Services Network had 190 licensed providers who were authorized to provide services to gamblers and Als at some point during the 2020-21 fiscal year; the responses of 188 of these providers who remained active or decided to participate after suspension or termination are included in the 2021 Provider Survey. **Table 1** details the number of clinicians and providers who completed Phase I training during FY 2020-21. Additionally, CalGETS clinical supervisors delivered 50 hours of clinical guidance and support to CalGETS providers via the Treatment Services Network.

**TABLE 1. CalGETS TRAINING** 

Training	FY 2020 21
Licensed mental health clinicians who completed Phase I	56
Licensed mental health clinicians who completed Phase I and became authorized providers	21
Authorized providers who completed Phase II	N/A

Providers' demographic information is presented below (**Table 2**). Providers were primarily female, and reported their race/ethnicity as: 60% White, 13% Hispanic/Latino, 11% Asian, and 6% Black/African American.

TABLE 2. CalGETS PROVIDERS: DEMOGRAPHICS FROM ANNUAL UGSP PROVIDER SURVEY REPORT

Provider Demographics	FY 2020 21
Gender	n=188
Female	76%
Male	24%
Transgender	<1%
Race/Ethnicity	n=188
White	60%
Hispanic/Latino	13%
Asian	11%
Black/African American	6%
Multiracial	2%
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	<1%
Choose not to designate or Other	7%

The data on CalGETS providers indicates that they are experienced mental health providers. On average, providers who completed the survey had been licensed for 15.6 years and had treated individuals with gambling disorder for an average of 7.4 years. In FY 2020-21, 69% of providers were Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists (LMFT), 19% were Licensed Clinical Social Workers (LCSW), 5% were Psychologists (PhD), 3% were Clinical Psychologists (PsyD), 1% Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors (LPCC), and 4% had other clinical degrees. CalGETS providers reach clients for whom English is not their primary language: 23% reported providing treatment services in languages other than English. Of those, 43% indicated that they provided services in Spanish, 18% provided services in Mandarin/Cantonese, 9% Vietnamese, 9% Korean, 5% Taiwanese, 5% Persian, 5% Russian and 16% provided services in other languages; including Armenian, Arabic, Cambodian, Hebrew, Japanese, and Tagalog. Over half (54%) of CalGETS providers offered educational materials in languages other than English.

A majority of providers rated the following CalGETS provider training program components as extremely or very beneficial:

- Phase I Training (92%)
- Phase II Training (86%)
- Annual Summit (79%)
- Problem Gambling Webinars (64%)
- Supplemental Recommended Reading Materials (62%)
- Clinical Guidance Sessions (60%)
- National Gambling Conferences (56%)
- Office of Problem Gambling Website (52%)

Providers also expressed high levels of satisfaction with OPG/UGSP services, and 84% planned to continue as authorized CalGETS providers into the next fiscal year.

### 4. GAMBLER TREATMENT SERVICE OUTCOMES

The sections below summarize demographics and outcomes for gamblers receiving treatment from the CalGETS treatment services network. Results are grouped according to treatment services offered during FY 2020-21.

### Treatment Service Provision

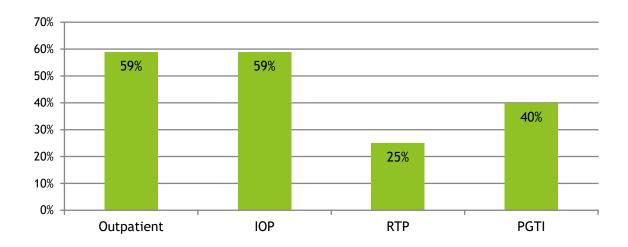
In FY 2020-21, a total of 728 gamblers entered treatment across the treatment services network (**Table 3**). Most clients (61%) enrolled in Outpatient, followed by PGTI (28%), IOP (8%), and RTP (3%). Of these clients, 6% also participated in Outpatient Group services.

Ν Percentage Outpatient 441 61% **Outpatient Group** (44)Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP) 8% 59 Residential Treatment Programs (RTP) 24 3% Problem Gambling Telephone Intervention (PGTI) 204 28% Total<sup>3</sup> 728 100%

TABLE 3. TREATMENT SERVICES: NUMBER OF GAMBLERS ENROLLED

The provider network offers rapid entry into treatment from the time of first contact with a provider (**Figure 2**). The majority of clients in Outpatient and IOP entered treatment within one week. Entry into PGTI and RTP was delayed after COVID-19 shelter-in-place directives were issued.





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Throughout this report, percentages may add up to greater than 100% due to rounding. The total does not include clients in Outpatient Group treatment because they are also enrolled in Outpatient and are counted there.

As shown in Table 4, race/ethnicity varies by modality. Compared to the California population, White, Non-Hispanics are over-represented and Hispanic/Latinos are under-represented in the treatment population. (More detailed analyses of race/ethnicity are available in the appendix.)

TABLE 4. TREATMENT SERVICES: RACE/ETHNICITY OF GAMBLERS BY TREATMENT MODALITY AND COMPARED TO THE CALIFORNIA POPULATION

Race/Ethnicity (for those reporting a single category only)	Outpatient N 441	IOP N 59	RTP N 24	PGTI N = 204	Total N = 728	CA Population <sup>4</sup> N = 39,237,826
White, Non-Hispanic only <sup>5</sup>	48%	56%	63%	28%	43%	37%
Asian/Pacific Islander only	18%	19%	13%	27%	20%	16%
Hispanic or Latino only	13%	9%	13%	24%	16%	39%
Black or African American only	8%	9%	4%	8%	8%	5%
American Indian/Alaskan Native only	<1%	2%	4%	1%	1%	2%
Other race/ethnicity only	6%	3%	4%	5%	5%	-
Multiracial or Multi-ethnic <sup>6</sup>	8%	3%	0%	7%	7%	4%

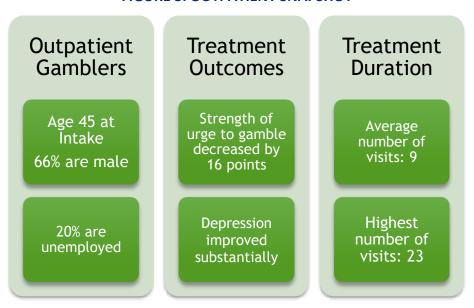
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> "Only" categories specify the percentage of respondents who identify with each ethnic or racial designation, alone and not in combination with any other ethnic or racial designation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> "Multiracial or Multi-ethnic" category specifies the percentage of respondents who identify with multiple ethnic or racial designations.

# Treatment Service Findings Outpatient Individual Outpatient

FIGURE 3. OUTPATIENT SNAPSHOT



As shown earlier in Table 3,<sup>7</sup> the largest number of CalGETS clients, by far, participate in outpatient treatment. Intake data are available from 441 clients who enrolled in outpatient services. Information summarized below reflects client demographics, gambling behaviors, and treatment outcomes for the gamblers served. During FY 2020-21, clients were most frequently referred via the problem gambling helpline (1-800-GAMBLER) (24%), former clients (17%), family/friends (11%), UCLA Gambling Studies Program (11%), health care professionals (11%), Gamblers Anonymous/Gam-Anon (8%), the California Council on Problem Gambling (3%), and the OPG website (2%). In addition, 14% cited other sources including media (television, radio, newspaper, billboard), casino signage, community presentations, Internet searches that yielded the CalGETS website, treatment providers' websites, or the Psychology Today referral website. The number of sessions completed by outpatient gambler clients (n=441) varied:

- 8% of clients had only an Intake session
- 56% received 1-8 treatment sessions
- 23% received 9-16 treatment sessions
- 13% received 17-23 treatment sessions<sup>8</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Unduplicated admissions are reported here (i.e., only the first admission is used for individuals with multiple admissions in the FY).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Due to additional needs during the COVID pandemic, some clients received additional blocks of treatment, which are not included here. In addition, some treatment participants may have continued treatment into FY 2021-22, but these additional sessions are not counted in the percentages above.

Treatment entry and treatment length were heavily affected by COVID-19 restrictions because outpatient treatment providers had to make the transition from in-person treatment, to phone-based treatment, and then in December 2020, were given clearance to provide treatment via secure telehealth services.

### **Demographics**

Outpatient clients had an average age of 45 years and two-thirds (66%) were male. Less than half of clients identified their race as White, Non-Hispanic (48%), followed by 18% reporting Asian/Pacific Islander, 13% Hispanic/Latino, 8% African American, less than 1% American Indian/Alaska Native, 6% another race/ethnicity, and 8% Multiracial/Multi-ethnic. (More detailed analyses of gender and race ethnicity are available in the appendix.) Clients are, for the most part, well-educated; 84% reported completing some college or above. The reported household income varied widely from less than \$15,000 per year to over \$200,000, but 23% reported incomes of less than \$35,000 (**Table 5**).

**TABLE 5. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: DEMOGRAPHICS** 

EV 2020 24	
FY 2020 21	
Age	45
Mean Age	45 years old
Gender	n=441
Male	66%
Female	33%
Transgender/Other Gender Category	1%
Race/Ethnicity (for those reporting a single category only)	n=441
White, Non-Hispanic	48%
Asian/Pacific Islander	18%
Hispanic or Latino	13%
Black or African American	8%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	<1%
Other race/ethnicity	6%
Multiracial or Multi-ethnic	8%
Education	n=440
Less than High School	3%
High School	14%
Some College	36%
Bachelor's Degree	36%
Graduate/Professional Degree	12%
Household Income	n=440
Less than \$15,000	9%
\$15,000-\$24,999	6%
\$25,000-\$34,999	8%
\$35,000-\$49,999	11%
\$50,000-\$74,999	14%
\$75,000-\$99,999	12%
\$100,000-\$149,999	12%
\$150,000-\$199,999	7%
\$200,000 or more	8%
Decline to state	14%

### **Gambling Severity**

An overwhelming proportion of gamblers (96%) who sought outpatient treatment through CalGETS could be classified as having mild to severe gambling disorder (**Table 6**), including 80% with moderate to severe gambling disorder, while 3% reported one to three problem gambling behaviors.

TABLE 6. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: GAMBLING DISORDER (NODS DSM-5) CLASSIFICATION

Severity	NODS Score	N	%
Problem gambling behavior	1 to 3	13	3%
Mild gambling disorder	4 to 5	26	6%
Moderate gambling disorder	6 to 7	87	21%
Severe gambling disorder	8 to 9	286	69%

Note: N=412, 29 cases had missing data

### **Gambling Behaviors**

At Intake, outpatient clients (n=412, 29 missing data) were asked to indicate both their typical gambling locations and the types of gambling activities that they have engaged in over the last 12 months. Of the specific gambling locations (i.e., bingo halls, casinos, Internet, lottery stores, and other gambling locations), casinos were the most frequently selected gambling venue from the options provided (76%), followed by the Internet, (36%), lottery stores (13%), family/friend's house (10%), private club (5%), and other locations.<sup>9</sup>

Clients were able to select multiple activities at each of the major gambling venues. Across all venues, slot machines (44%), blackjack (32%), and poker (27%) were the most commonly selected gambling activities.<sup>10</sup>

- At **tribal casinos**, clients most frequently stated that they played slot machines (42%), blackjack (25%), and poker (15%).
- At **other casinos**, clients most frequently reported playing slot machines (17%), blackjack (15%), and poker (10%).
- In the **community**, 19% of clients reported gambling on the Lottery.
- At cardrooms, clients most often reported playing poker (15%), and blackjack (10%).
- On the **Internet**, clients most often indicated playing slots (9%), poker (9%), and blackjack (6%).
- Finally, clients reported gambling on sporting events (22%), financial/stock markets (10%), and horse racing (5%).

<sup>9</sup> In FY 2019-20, gambling locations were – casinos (81%), followed by the Internet, (22%), lottery stores (15%), family/friends house (11%). The FY 2020-21 increase in internet gambling and the decreases at the other locations are most likely due to COVID-19 restrictions imposed by the state and counties, as well as the clients' efforts to avoid exposure.

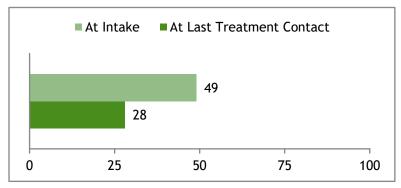
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> In FY 2019-20, the major activities were - slot machines (61%), blackjack (38%), and poker (38%). The FY 2020-21 decreases are most likely due to the closures of the casinos and card rooms as a result of COVID-19 restrictions.

### Intake to Last Treatment Contact (LTC) Outcomes

In order to measure the impact of treatment, we analyzed the perceived negative impact of gambling, urge to gamble, life satisfaction, and depression at Intake and LTC.

Outpatient clients reported less interference of gambling with their normal activities at last treatment contact compared to Intake. On a scale from 0-100, where higher scores indicate a greater impact of gambling on other activities, average scores decreased by 21 points from Intake to last treatment contact (**Figure 4**).

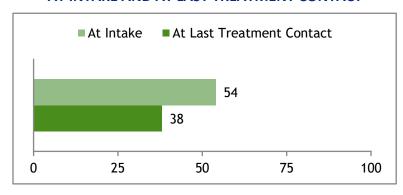
FIGURE 4. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF GAMBLING INTERFERENCE WITH NORMAL ACTIVITIES AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=412, LTC N=405.

Among outpatient clients, the average intensity of the urge to gamble from Intake to last treatment contact decreased by 16 points on the 100-point scale. Lower scores at last treatment contact indicated a less intense urge to gamble after receiving outpatient services (**Figure 5**).

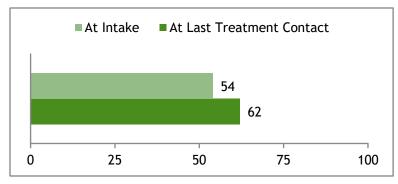
FIGURE 5. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF INTENSITY OF GAMBLING URGE
AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=412, LTC N=405.

Over the course of treatment, outpatient clients reported an improvement of 8 points on average in overall life satisfaction (**Figure 6**). As above, life satisfaction was measured on a 100-point scale.

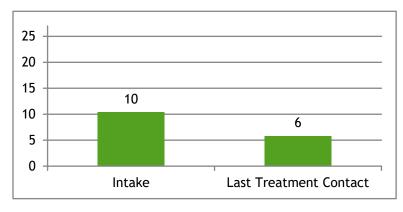
FIGURE 6. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF OVERALL LIFE SATISFACTION
AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=412, LTC N=405.

During FY 2020-21, treatment participants' levels of depression were measured using the PHQ-9 both at Intake and at their last treatment contact. Outpatient clients showed, on average, moderate depression at Intake and mild depression at their last treatment session (**Figure 7**). However, among these clients, 22% started treatment with moderately severe to severe depression.

FIGURE 7. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: MEAN PHQ-9 DEPRESSION SCORE
AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=412, LTC N=406.

### **Group Outpatient**

A total of 44 clients participated in group treatment in FY 2020-21. Of these participants, 34 were gamblers and 10 were Als. The average age of gambler clients was 50 years old and about 53% were male. Three-quarters of gamblers (76%) were referred to group treatment by a CalGETS provider. Other referral sources included former CalGETS clients (5%), Gamblers Anonymous (5%), family or friends (5%), and other sources (9%). The average age of Al clients was 53 years old and about 60% were female. The majority of Als were referred to group treatment by a CalGETS provider (79%). Five individuals reported referrals from other sources. The primary types of gambling reported by gamblers at group screening were slot machines

(11%) and sports betting (5%).<sup>11</sup> Tribal casinos were the most frequently reported gambling venue (15%), other casinos (9%), Internet (3%), and Lottery (3%). Twelve percent of gambler participants reported moderately severe to severe depression at screening. Ten percent of Als reported moderately severe to severe depression.

 $<sup>^{11}</sup>$  Percentages are low because group outpatient treatment usually occurs as a step-down treatment after a higher treatment intensity.

### Intensive Outpatient Program (IOP)

Data were available from 59 clients enrolled at Intake in IOP during FY 2020-21 (**Figure 8**). Clients received treatment from either Union of Pan Asian Communities (UPAC; N=39) or Beit T'Shuvah (N=20). The following section summarizes frequency tables which include information on demographics, gambling behaviors, and treatment outcomes for IOP gamblers served.

FIGURE 8. INTENSIVE OUTPATIENT PROGRAM SNAPSHOT



### **Demographics**

A total of 59 clients entered IOP during FY 2020-21. IOP clients' average age was 49. Slightly more than half (56%) identified as White, Non-Hispanic only, followed by 19% Asian/Pacific Islander only, 9% Hispanic/Latino only, 9% African American only, 3% as Multiracial or Multi-ethnic, and 3% as another race/ethnicity only. Like Outpatient clients, IOP clients have fairly high levels of education with 73% reporting some college education or higher. Although clients' household income varied from less than \$15,000 per year to \$200,000 or higher, 18% of IOP clients reported an income less than \$35,000 and 5% declined to state their household income.

### **Gambling Severity**

All IOP clients met criteria established in the DSM-5 for gambling disorder (100%). Specifically, 2% were classified with mild gambling disorder (endorsing 4-5 criteria), 12% with moderate gambling disorder (endorsing 6-7 criteria), and 86% with severe gambling disorder (endorsing 8-9 criteria).

### **Gambling Behaviors**

IOP clients were asked at Intake to indicate both their typical gambling locations and the types of gambling activities that they engaged in over the last 12 months. Of the specific gambling locations (i.e., bingo halls, casinos, Internet, lottery stores, and other gambling locations), casinos were the most frequently selected gambling venue from the options provided (85%), followed by the Internet (41%).

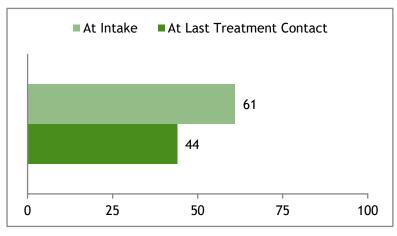
Across all venues the most commonly selected gambling activities were slot machines (46%), blackjack (44%), poker (42%), and sports betting (27%).

- At **tribal casinos**, IOP clients most frequently stated that they played slot machines (42%), blackjack (36%), and poker (34%).
- In the **community**, 20% of clients reported gambling on the Lottery.
- At **other casinos**, clients most frequently reported playing poker (29%), blackjack (25%), and slot machines (15%).
- At cardrooms, clients most often reported playing poker (29%) and blackjack (24%).
- On the **Internet**, clients most often indicated playing poker (19%), slots (12%), blackjack (17%), and roulette (5%).
- Finally, clients reported gambling on sporting events (27%) and stocks/financial markets (9%).

### Intake to Last Treatment Contact Outcomes

Treatment outcomes are measured by examining gambling interference with normal activities, intensity of gambling urge, life satisfaction, and depression. At Intake, none of the 59 IOP clients had missing data on the first three measures. At last treatment contact, one client had missing data. IOP clients' reports of interference by gambling with their normal activities showed an average decrease of 17 points from Intake to last treatment contact (**Figure 9**). Client reports are made on a scale from 0-100, where higher scores indicate a greater impact of gambling on normal activities.

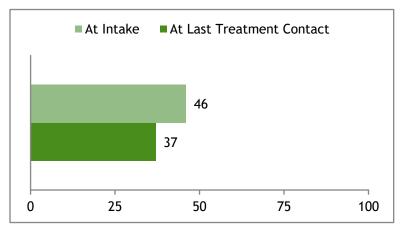
FIGURE 9. IOP GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF GAMBLING INTERFERENCE WITH NORMAL ACTIVITIES AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=59, LTC N=58.

Among IOP clients, the intensity of the urge to gamble decreased from Intake to last treatment contact by an average of 9 points on the 100-point scale. Lower scores at LTC indicated a less intense urge to gamble (**Figure 10**).

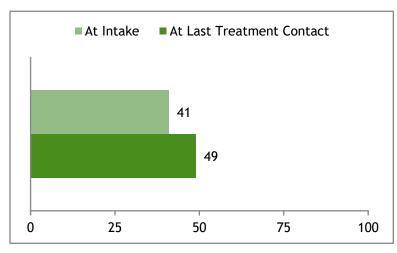
FIGURE 10. IOP GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF INTENSITY OF GAMBLING URGE
AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=59, LTC N=58.

IOP clients entered treatment reporting lower life satisfaction scores compared to Outpatient clients. Over the course of treatment, IOP clients reported an improvement of 8 points on average in overall life satisfaction (**Figure 11**). As above, life satisfaction was measured on a 100-point scale.

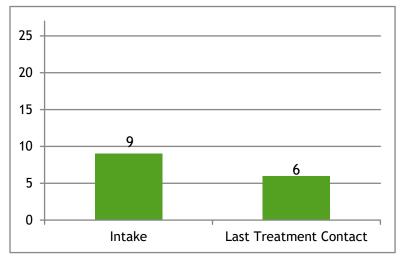
FIGURE 11. IOP GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF OVERALL LIFE SATISFACTION AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=59, LTC N=58.

During FY 2020-21, IOP participants' levels of depression were measured using the PHQ-9 both at Intake and at their last treatment contact. They showed, on average, mild depression at Intake and at their last treatment contact (**Figure 12**). However, nearly 22% entered treatment with moderately severe to severe depression.

FIGURE 12. IOP GAMBLER: MEAN PHQ-9 DEPRESSION SCORE AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=59, LTC N=58.

### Residential Treatment Programs (RTP)

Data were available from 24 clients enrolled at Intake in RTP during FY 2020-21 (**Figure 13**). Clients received treatment from either HealthRIGHT 360 (N=2) or Beit T'Shuvah (N=22). Due to staffing changes and COVID-19 restrictions, HealthRIGHT 360 admitted very few clients during FY 2020-21. When COVID-19 shelter-in-place directives prevented new clients from being admitted to Beit T'Shuvah, OPG approved additional blocks of treatment (with clinical justification) for those currently in treatment. Also, fewer clients could be housed simultaneously and therefore the average wait time to enter treatment was 21 days. The following section summarizes information on demographics, gambling behaviors, and treatment outcomes for gamblers participating in RTP.

Residential Clients **Treatment** Served by Gambler Duration Provider Clients Age 39 at 2 clients from 55 days of Intake HealthRIGHT treatment on 360 average 83% are male Highest number 88% are 22 clients from of days in unemployed Beit T'Shuvah treatment: 110

FIGURE 13. RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT PROGRAMS SNAPSHOT

### **Demographics**

Nearly two-thirds (63%) identified as White, Non-Hispanic only, followed by 13% Asian/Pacific Islander only, 13% Hispanic/Latino only, 4% African American only, 4% Native American/Alaska Native, and 4% as other race/ethnicity. RTP clients have less education than Outpatient and IOP clients, with 54% reporting some college education or higher. Similar to IOP clients, RTP clients also reported lower household income, with 24% reporting that their income was less than \$35,000 and 8% reporting income less than \$15,000 per year.

### **Gambling Severity**

All clients enrolled in RTP treatment met DSM-5 criteria for gambling disorder. Specifically, 3% were classified with moderate and 97% were classified with severe gambling disorder.

### **Gambling Behaviors**

RTP clients (n=24) were asked at Intake to indicate both their typical gambling locations and the types of gambling activities that they engaged in over the last 12 months. Of the specific gambling locations (i.e., bingo halls, casinos, Internet, lottery stores, and other gambling locations), casinos were the most frequently selected gambling venue from the options provided (83%), followed by the Internet (54%).

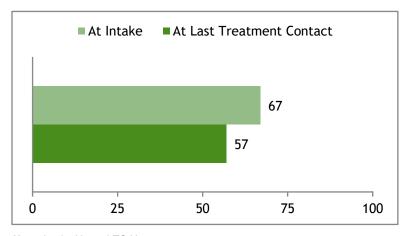
Clients were queried about the type of gambling they took part in at each of the major gambling venues. Across all venues, poker, slot machines, sporting events, and blackjack were the most commonly selected gambling activities.

- At **tribal casinos**, clients most frequently stated that they played poker (66%), blackjack (17%), and slot machines (25%).
- At **other casinos**, clients most frequently reported playing poker (58%), blackjack (17%), and slot machines (29%).
- At cardrooms, clients most often reported playing poker (67%) and blackjack (17%).
- On the **Internet**, clients most often indicated playing poker (50%) and slots (13%).
- Finally, clients reported gambling on sporting events (25%) and Lottery (8%).

### Intake to Last Treatment Contact Outcomes

Intake to last treatment contact data are available on the 24 clients who entered residential treatment in FY 2020-21. By the end of treatment, the average rating of interference by gambling with normal activities decreased by 10 points among RTP clients (**Figure 14**). Client reports are made on a scale from 0-100, where higher scores indicate a greater impact of gambling on normal activities.

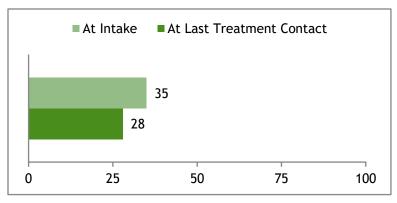
FIGURE 14. RTP GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF GAMBLING INTERFERENCE WITH NORMAL ACTIVITIES AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=24, LTC N=24.

Among RTP clients, the intensity of the urge to gamble, on average, decreased from Intake to last treatment contact by 7 points on the 100-point scale. Lower scores at LTC indicated a less intense urge to gamble (**Figure 15**).

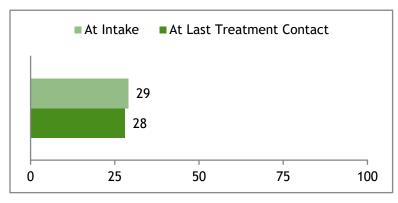
FIGURE 15. RTP GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF INTENSITY OF GAMBLING URGE
AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=24, LTC N=24.

Over the course of treatment, RTP clients reported a slight decrease of 1 point on average in overall life satisfaction (**Figure 16**). As above, life satisfaction was measured on a 100-point scale.

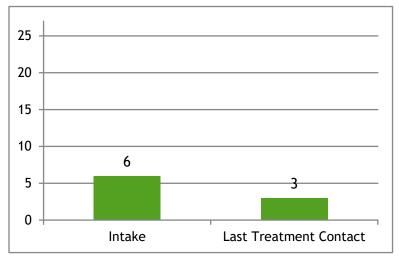
FIGURE 16. RTP GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF OVERALL LIFE SATISFACTION
AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=24, LTC N=24.

During FY 2020-21, RTP participants' levels of depression were measured using the PHQ-9 both at Intake and LTC. They showed, on average, an improvement in depression from mild depression at Intake to below the threshold for depression at last treatment contact (**Figure 17**). About 4% entered treatment with moderately severe to severe depression.

FIGURE 17. RTP GAMBLER: MEAN PHQ-9 DEPRESSION SCORE AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT

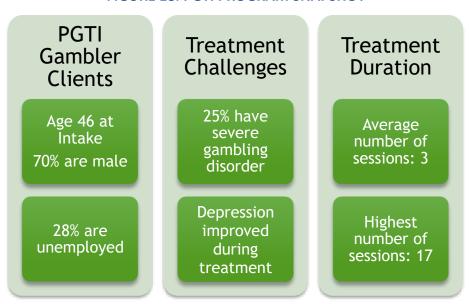


Note: Intake N=24, LTC N=24.

### Problem Gambling Telephone Intervention (PGTI)

As described above, PGTI services are provided over the telephone to gamblers and Als throughout California. Services are provided in English, Spanish, Mandarin, Cantonese, Vietnamese, Korean, Tagalog, Hindi, and additional languages.

FIGURE 18. PGTI PROGRAM SNAPSHOT



The following section summarizes information on demographics, gambling behaviors, and treatment outcomes for PGTI gamblers served. Findings are reported in aggregate.

Within PGTI, data were available for 204 gambler clients enrolled at Intake during FY 2020-21. Of the 204 total clients assessed at Intake, 130 received further treatment services.

Clients participating in PGTI (n=204) most often reported being referred by the Helpline (1-800-GAMBLER) (50%); California Council on Problem Gambling (11%); UCLA Gambling Studies Program (10%); family or friends (9%); former CalGETS clients (6%); casino signage (5%), the media (television, radio, newspapers, billboards) (3%); Gamblers Anonymous (3%), or by other sources (4%).

PGTI clients (n=204) participated in three treatment sessions on average, with a maximum of 17 sessions in total.

### **Demographics**

Gamblers in PGTI treatment were, on average, 46 years old and predominately male. Household income varied widely, but 38% had yearly household incomes of less than \$35,000. Among PGTI clients, 28% were White, Non-Hispanic only, followed by 27% Asian/Pacific Islander only, 24% Hispanic/Latino only, 8% African American only, 1% American Indian/Alaska Native, 5% another race/ethnicity only, and 7% Multiracial/Multi-ethnic. (See the appendix for more detailed gender and race/ethnicity information.) In addition, almost two-thirds had completed some college or more (**Table 7**).

**TABLE 7. PGTI GAMBLER: DEMOGRAPHICS** 

TABLE 7. PGTI GAMBLER: DEMOGRAPHICS			
FY 2020 21			
Age	(n=204)		
Mean Age	46 years old		
Gender	(n=204)		
Male	70%		
Female	29%		
Transgender	1%		
Race/Ethnicity (for those reporting a single category only)	(n=204)		
White, Non-Hispanic only	28%		
Asian/Pacific Islander only	27%		
Hispanic or Latino only	24%		
Black or African American only	8%		
American Indian/Alaskan Native only	1%		
Other race/ethnicity only	5%		
Multiracial or Multi-ethnic	7%		
Education	(n=204)		
Less than High School	9%		
High School	27%		
Some College	31%		
Bachelor's Degree	26%		
Graduate/Professional Degree	7%		
Household Income	(n=204)		
Less than \$15,000	10%		
\$15,000-\$24,999	17%		
\$25,000-\$34,999	11%		
\$35,000-\$49,999	15%		
\$50,000-\$74,999	24%		
\$75,000-\$99,999	9%		
\$100,000-\$149,999	10%		
\$150,000-\$199,999	4%		
\$200,000 or more	5%		
Decline to state	4%		

## **Gambling Severity**

Of those enrolled in PGTI services, 94% could be classified as having mild to severe gambling disorder (**Table 8**).

TABLE 8. PGTI GAMBLER: GAMBLING DISORDER (NODS DSM-5) CLASSIFICATION

Severity	NODS Score	N	%
Problem gambling behavior	1 to 3	12	6%
Mild gambling disorder	4 to 5	61	30%
Moderate gambling disorder	6 to 7	78	39%
Severe gambling disorder	8 to 9	50	25%

Note: N=173

## **Gambling Behaviors**

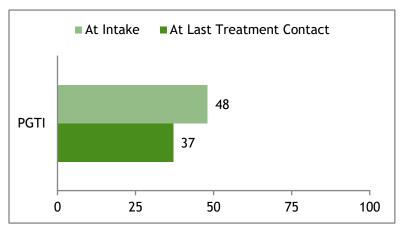
PGTI clients were asked at Intake to describe their gambling behaviors and the types of gambling activities they have engaged in over the last 12 months. Typical gambling locations included casinos, mentioned by 75% of clients, Internet (21%), and food/convenience stores for Lottery tickets (13%). Across all venues, the three most common gambling activities were slot machine (45%), blackjack (27%), and poker (19%).

Clients were able to select multiple activities at each of the major gambling venues. PGTI clients reported gambling activities at tribal casinos most often and the most frequent activities were slot machines (42%), blackjack (18%), and poker (10%). The other major gambling activity was the Lottery (13%).

#### Intake to Last Treatment Contact Outcomes

At Intake, PGTI clients' average rating of interference by gambling with normal activities (**Figure 19**) was higher compared to those who responded at the last treatment contact. Client reports are made on a scale from 0-100, where higher scores indicate a greater impact of gambling on normal activities.

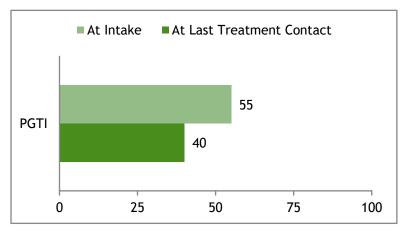
FIGURE 19. PGTI GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF GAMBLING INTERFERENCE WITH NORMAL ACTIVITIES AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=201, LTC N=130

Among PGTI clients, the intensity of the urge to gamble, on average, was higher at Intake compared to those who responded at the last treatment contact on the 100-point scale. Lower scores at clients' last treatment contact indicated a less intense urge to gamble (**Figure 20**).

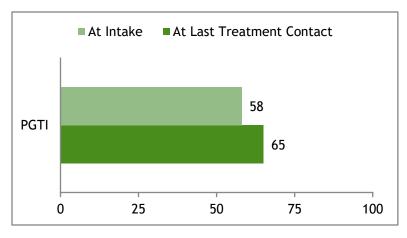
FIGURE 20. PGTI GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF INTENSITY OF GAMBLING URGE AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=201, LTC N=130

PGTI clients reported higher levels on average in overall life satisfaction at last treatment contact compared to Intake (**Figure 21**). As above, life satisfaction was measured on a 100-point scale.

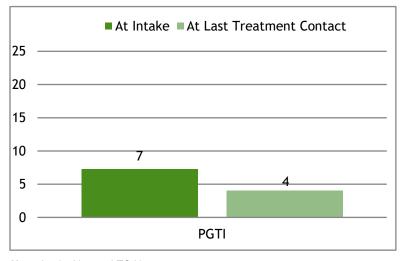
FIGURE 21. PGTI GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF OVERALL LIFE SATISFACTION AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=201, LTC N=130

During FY 2020-21, PGTI participants' levels of depression were measured using the PHQ-9 both at Intake and at the last treatment contact. Clients showed, on average, mild depression at Intake and subclinical levels of depression at the last treatment contact (**Figure 22**).

FIGURE 22. PGTI GAMBLER: MEAN PHQ-9 DEPRESSION SCORE AT INTAKE AND AT LAST TREATMENT CONTACT



Note: Intake N=201, LTC N=130

## Health Information on Gamblers Co-Occurring Health Conditions

A notable percentage of gamblers reported co-occurring health conditions and problematic health behaviors at Intake.

TABLE 9. GAMBLERS: MOST COMMONLY REPORTED CO-OCCURRING HEALTH RELATED CONDITIONS

	Self Reported Hypertension	Self Reported Diabetes	Self Reported Obesity	Obesity Calculated from BMI <sup>12</sup>
Outpatient (N = 412)	13%	8%	8%	31%
IOP (N = 59)	12%	10%	15%	27%
RTP (N = 24)	4%	8%	4%	17%
PGTI (N = 201)	14%	14%	5%	29%

- The most commonly self-reported co-occurring health related conditions were hypertension, diabetes, and obesity. Self-reported percentages for obesity are lower than those calculated from body mass index (BMI). Using BMI standards, approximately 31% of CalGETS Outpatient clients are obese, similar to the percentage for California adults (30%).<sup>13</sup>
- Compared to California adults, smoking percentages were high across the treatment services network 25% of Outpatient clients reported smoking, more than twice the state average.<sup>14</sup> Again this year, there was a notable change in the percentage of RTP clients reporting smoking. No RTP clients reported smoking in FY 2020-21, down from 16% in FY 2019-20, 30% in FY 2018-19 and 42% in FY 2017-18. Of IOP clients, 32% reported smoking. Among PGTI clients, 22% reported smoking.
- About 31% of gamblers across the treatment services network reported their health as fair or poor (34% in Outpatient, 32% in IOP, 13% in RTP, and 28% inPGTI). This compares to 15% of adults in California reporting their health as "fair or poor" in 2020, according to the CDC.<sup>15</sup>
- High percentages of clients in all treatment modalities reported having health insurance (Outpatient 77%, IOP 90%, RTP 96%, and PGTI 84%). A somewhat smaller.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> 4 IOP clients had missing data for the BMI calculation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Population Health. BRFSS Prevalence & Trends Data [online], 2019. [accessed Feb 5, 2020]. URL: https://www.cdc.gov/brfss/brfssprevalence/.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>14</sup> Vuong TD, Zhang X, Roeseler A. California Tobacco Facts and Figures 2019. Sacramento, CA: California Department of Public Health; May 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>15</sup> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Division of Population Health. BRFSS Prevalence & Trends Data [online], 2020. [accessed Feb 5, 2020]. URL: https://www.cdc.gov/brfss/brfssprevalence/.

percentage report that they currently have a physician that they can access for primary care needs (Outpatient 68%, IOP 85%, RTP 96%, and PGTI 76%).

#### Co-Occurring Psychiatric Disorders

CalGETS clients reported that the co-occurring mental health conditions they were treated for most often were mood disorders and anxiety (**Table 10**).

TABLE 10. GAMBLERS: CO-OCCURRING PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS TREATED FOR IN THE PAST YEAR

	Mood Disorders	Psychotic Disorders	Anxiety Disorders	Substance Use Disorders	Personality Disorder	ADD/ ADHD
Outpatient (N = 412)	30%	4%	19%	6%	1%	8%
IOP (N = 59)	58%	2%	17%	9%	0%	3%
RTP (N = 24)	71%	0%	4%	0%	0%	0%
PGTI (N = 201)	21%	6%	12%	2%	1%	6%

As seen below, 2 to 3 times more clients report anxiety and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) symptoms in the screeners than have received treatment for these disorders in the year before treatment entry.

- At treatment entry, 46% of CalGETS Outpatient clients were above the cutoff on the GAD-2 anxiety screener, indicating that they have a possible diagnosis of Generalized Anxiety Disorder.
- 33% of CalGETS Outpatient clients scored above the cutoff for attention-deficit hyperactivity disorders (ADHD) on the ASRS screening instrument, indicating that they have a possible diagnosis of ADHD.
- 22% of CalGETS Outpatient clients, 19% of IOP, 4% of RTP, and 5% of PGTI clients scored in the moderately severe to severe depression range at Intake as measured by the PHQ-9. This is compared to 7% of adult Californians reporting a major depressive episode in the past year.<sup>16</sup>
- The percentages of mood disorders were similar to last year, with RTP clients having high levels.

#### Substance Use Behaviors

 Among Outpatient clients, 48% reported at Intake that they drank alcoholic beverages. In other treatment modalities, a smaller percentage of clients reported current drinking: 39% among IOP clients, 0% among RTP clients, and 43% among PGTI clients.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, 2019-2020 National Survey On Drug Use And Health: Model-Based Prevalence Estimates (50 States And The District Of Columbia) (Table 30) [accessed Feb 4, 2022]. URL https://www.samhsa.gov/data/report/2019-2020-nsduh-state-prevalence-estimates.

Of Outpatient clients, 25% reported at least one binge drinking episode (more than
five drinks in a single occasion for men, more than four drinks in a single occasion for
women) in the past month. This is compared to the 24% of California adults
reporting any binge drinking in the past month.<sup>17</sup>

After alcohol, cannabis was the most frequently reported substance used in the past month across the treatment services network, with 21% of CalGETS clients in Outpatient reporting use of cannabis. This is higher than the 15% reported by NSDUH for past month use in California in 2020. Approximately 14% of IOP, 8% of RTP, and 12% of PGTI clients reported cannabis use in the past month. However, clients also reported use of other substances (**Table 11**).

**TABLE 11. GAMBLERS: SUBSTANCE USE IN THE PAST 30 DAYS** 

	Cocaine	Cannabis	Methamphetamine	Opiates	Binge Drinking
Outpatient (N = 412)	5%	21%	4%	2%	25%
IOP (N = 59)	2%	14%	0%	3%	10%
RTP (N = 24)	0%	8%	4%	0%	0%
PGTI (N = 201)	1%	12%	2%	2%	13%

The co-occurrence of various medical problems and risk factors emphasizes the need for CalGETS providers to refer to medical professionals in order to address health-related issues. Because both RTPs have experience providing substance use disorder treatment, they are better able to meet the complex needs of the CalGETS clients in residential treatment who have co-occurring substance use issues. The high incidence of mental health issues among CalGETS clients, in addition to their gambling-related problems, validates the use of licensed mental health professionals as the primary source of our workforce.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, 2019-2020 National Survey On Drug Use And Health: Model-Based Prevalence Estimates (50 States And The District Of Columbia) (Table 14) [accessed Feb 4, 2022]. URL https://www.samhsa.gov/data/report/2019-2020-nsduh-state-prevalence-estimates.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> SAMHSA, Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, 2019-2020 National Survey On Drug Use And Health: Model-Based Prevalence Estimates (50 States And The District Of Columbia) (Table 3) [accessed Feb 4, 2022]. URL https://www.samhsa.gov/data/report/2019-2020-nsduh-state-prevalence-estimates.

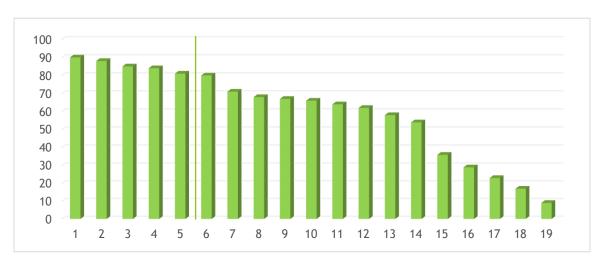
# 5. AFFECTED INDIVIDUALS DEMOGRAPHICS AND TREATMENT SERVICE OUTCOMES

This section summarizes key findings from FY 2020-21 data that were available from the DMS on Als' demographics and treatment service outcomes. The data were collected on forms completed by clients at Intake, during treatment, and at the last treatment contact or from the End of Treatment form.

#### Treatment Service Provision

Data were available at Intake from a total of 251 AI clients. Most (87%) were served as Outpatients (n=218). The remaining 33 clients received treatment from PGTI. The number of Outpatient treatment sessions AIs attended ranged from 0 to 19. AI attendance in Outpatient was strong during the primary treatment sessions (sessions 1-5) and more than 60 percent continued treatment through session 12 (**Figure 23**).

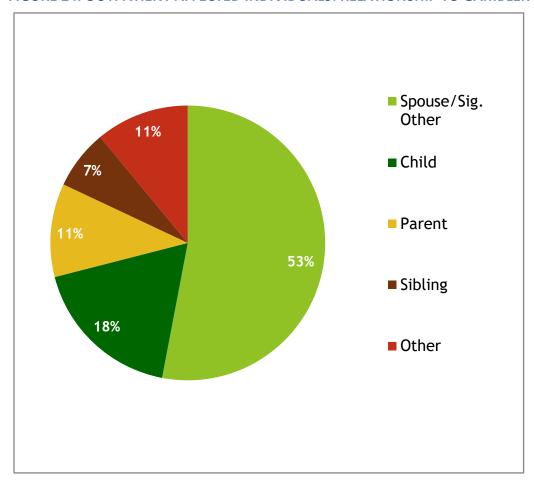
FIGURE 23. OUTPATIENT AFFECTED INDIVIDUALS: PERCENT ATTENDING EACH TREATMENT SESSION



Note: N=218

Of the 218 Outpatient AI clients, about half (53%) identified as a spouse or significant other, 18% as a child of, 11% as a parent of, and 7% as a sibling of a gambler (**Figure 24**).

FIGURE 24. OUTPATIENT AFFECTED INDIVIDUALS: RELATIONSHIP TO GAMBLER



## **Demographics**

Als in Outpatient treatment were 43 years old, on average, and predominately female (78%), whereas the majority of gambler clients are male. About 41% were White, Non-Hispanic, followed by 27% Hispanic/Latino, 16% Asian/Pacific Islander, 6% African American, 6% another race/ethnicity, and 4% Multiracial/Multi-ethnic. Similar to Outpatient gamblers, Outpatient Als have widely varying household incomes and high education levels, with a high percentage (82%) having some college education or higher (**Table 12**).

**TABLE 12. OUTPATIENT AI: DEMOGRAPHICS** 

FY 2020 21	(N=218)
Age	n=218
Mean Age	43 years old
Gender	n=218
Male	22%
Female	78%
Transgender	<1%
Choose not to disclose	0%
Race/Ethnicity (for those reporting a single category only)	n=218
White, Non-Hispanic only	41%
Asian/Pacific Islander only	16%
Hispanic or Latino only	27%
Black or African American only	6%
American Indian/Alaskan Native only	0%
Other race/ethnicity only	6%
Multiracial or Multi-ethnic	4%
Education	n=218
Less than High School	6%
High School	12%
Some College	32%
Bachelor's Degree	33%
Graduate/Professional Degree	17%
Household Income	n=218
Less than \$15,000	10%
\$15,000-\$24,999	10%
\$25,000-\$34,999	11%
\$35,000-\$49,999	11%
\$50,000-\$74,999	14%
\$75,000-\$99,999	7%
\$100,000-\$149,999	13%
\$150,000-\$199,999	9%
\$200,000 or more	8%
Decline to State	6%

## Treatment Service Findings Intake to Last Treatment Contact Outcomes

As seen in **Table 13**, Als, on average, have mild depression scores at Intake and lower depression scores at their last treatment contact (PHQ-9 range is 0-27). Average life satisfaction scores (measured on a scale from 0 to 100) are moderate at Intake and at LTC are slightly higher. Both the degree to which Als feel that the problem gambler's behaviors have interfered with normal activities and the degree to which they feel responsible for the gambler's treatment and recovery improved (decreased), on average, from treatment Intake to the last treatment contact (both measured on a scale from 0 to 100). In addition, Als reported a decrease in the amount of time they spent dealing with the consequences of problem gambling (measured on a scale from 0 to 100).

TABLE 13. OUTPATIENT AI: INTAKE TO LAST TREATMENT CONTACT OUTCOMES

Measures	Intake Mean	Last Treatment Contact Mean
Depression (PHQ-9) score	8	5
Life satisfaction	62	68
Degree to which problem gambler's behaviors have interfered with normal activities	44	31
Feel responsible for gambler's treatment and recovery	39	26
Percentage of time spent dealing with the consequences of problem gambling	43	31

**Note:** Depression Intake N=209, LTC N=201; life satisfaction Intake N=209, LTC N=201; interfere with normal activities Intake N=209, LTC=200; feel responsible Intake N=209, LTC N=201; percentage of time Intake N=209, LTC=202.

#### Health Information on Affected Individuals

Co-occurring health diagnoses reported by Als were similar in prevalence to gamblers; however, a smaller percentage (26%) of Als participating in the outpatient program reported that their health was fair or poor. Health problems reported by 5% or more of Outpatient Al clients were hypertension, chronic respiratory disease, and diabetes. Twenty-three percent of Outpatient Als had a body mass index indicating obesity. The percentage of Outpatient Als reporting smoking was 8% in FY 2020-21, lower than the percentage of smokers among Californians (10%). <sup>19</sup> Also, 80% reported that they had health insurance.

Also of note was the percentage of Outpatient Als who reported current drinking (50%) relative to Outpatient gamblers (48%). Cannabis use in the past 30 days was reported by 14% of Outpatient Als, while 4% reported opioid use. This year, no Als reported use of cocaine or methamphetamine in the past 30 days.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> Vuong TD, Zhang X, Roeseler A. California Tobacco Facts and Figures 2019. Sacramento, CA: California Department of Public Health; May 2019.

In regard to co-occurring psychiatric disorders reported at Intake, 24% of Outpatient AI clients reported treatment in the past year for mood disorders, 24% for anxiety disorders, 2% for attention deficit disorders, 1% for substance abuse disorders, less than 1% for personality disorders, and 1% reported treatment for psychotic disorders. Using the PHQ-9 criteria, 16% of AI clients reported moderately severe to severe depression.

### 6. FOLLOW-UP OF TREATMENT PARTICIPANTS

UGSP staff members collect follow-up data from clients served within Outpatient, IOP, and RTP modalities using GRM/Visual Vault's web-based DMS. Follow-up interviews with treatment participants take place at 30 days, 90 days, and one year after treatment entry. For those clients who agree to participate in follow-up interviews, the DMS automatically generates follow-up forms for each client. Beginning in January of 2017, UGSP put extra staff resources into client follow-up and began making five attempts to reach clients for follow-up interviews. For FY 2020-21, therefore, five attempts were made to reach each client. Technical issues resulted in reduced numbers for this fiscal year. <sup>20</sup>

**Table 14**, below, is a breakdown of all follow-up attempts, completed interviews, and closed cases (i.e., clients who were unable to be reached after five attempts) for the gamblers and Als who agreed to follow-up during FY 2020-21. The numbers differ slightly from DMS data because they are based on call logs. UGSP made more than 4,800 attempts to reach clients for follow-up interviews; completing 408 interviews, and ultimately closing 626 cases when clients were unable to be reached. It should be noted that cases are closed after 5 attempts at a particular follow-up point, but attempts to reach an individual begin anew at the next time point.

TABLE 14. FOLLOW-UP: ATTEMPTS, COMPLETED INTERVIEWS, AND CLOSED CASES

		30 day	<b>y</b>	90 day		1 Year			Total			
	G	Al	Total	G	Al	Total	G	Al	Total	G	Al	Total
Attempts	1547	470	2017	1312	389	1701	939	200	1139	3798	1059	4857
Completed	125	31	156	117	31	148	85	19	104	327	81	408
Closed	241	72	313	139	48	187	98	28	126	478	148	626

**Note:** G = Gamblers, AI = Affected individuals

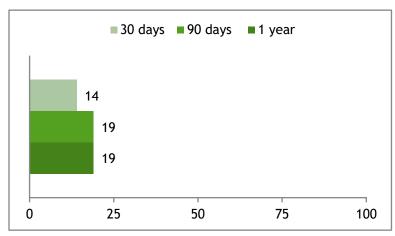
Follow-up results are presented below for the largest group of gamblers receiving treatment: Outpatient gamblers

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> UGSP had reduced call numbers during brief periods due to COVID-19 shelter-in-place requirements.

#### Gamblers: Outpatient Follow-up Results

UGSP conducted 30-day, 90-day, and one-year follow-up interviews with gamblers who received Outpatient treatment. In these interviews, we measured a number of quality-of-life variables, including the degree to which gambling interfered with clients' normal activities, intensity of urges to gamble, overall life satisfaction, and level of depression. During the follow-up period, the degree to which gambling interfered with clients' normal activities, on average, remained low (**Figure 25**).<sup>21</sup>

FIGURE 25. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF GAMBLING INTERFERENCE WITH NORMAL ACTIVITIES AT FOLLOW-UP



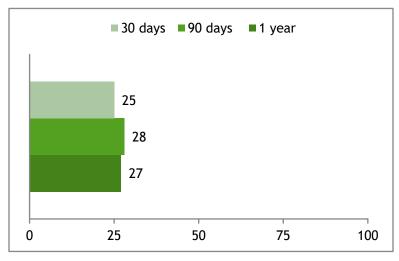
**Note:** 30 days N=80, 90 days N=85, 1 year N=52.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Follow-up data is cross-sectional (i.e., during FY 2020-21, clients providing data for the 30 day interviews may not be the same as those providing data for the 1-year interviews).

Likewise, the intensity of the urge to gamble, on average, was low during the follow-up period, remaining below 30 points on the 100-point scale (**Figure 26**).

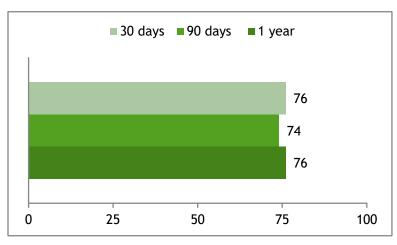
FIGURE 26. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF INTENSITY OF GAMBLING URGE AT FOLLOW-UP



**Note:** 30 days N=81, 90 days N=85, 1 year N=53.

Clients' average overall life satisfaction remained fairly high during the follow-up period (**Figure 27**). As above, life satisfaction was measured on a 100-point scale.

FIGURE 27. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: AVERAGE RATING OF OVERALL LIFE SATISFACTION AT FOLLOW-UP



**Note:** 30 days N=81, 90 days N=85, 1 year N=60.

As shown in **Figure 28**, the average depression (PHQ-9) score was 4 at 30 days after treatment entry, indicating sub-clinical levels of depression. At 90-days, the depression score was 6, indicating mild depression, however, at one-year it was 4.

25 20 15 10 5 4 6 5 4 0 30 days 90 days 1 year

FIGURE 28. OUTPATIENT GAMBLER: MEAN PHQ-9 DEPRESSION SCORE AT FOLLOW-UP

**Note:** 30 days N=81, 90 days N=85, 1 year N=63.

#### Als: Outpatient Follow-up Results

UGSP also conducted 30-day, 90-day, and one-year follow-up interviews with Als who received Outpatient treatment. In these interviews, we measured a number of quality-of-life variables, including the degree to which the problem gambler's behaviors interfered with normal activities, the degree to which they feel responsible for gambler's treatment and recovery, overall life satisfaction, and level of depression. In FY 2020-21, UGSP interviewers were only able to reach approximately 20 to 30 Al clients at each wave. Quality of life data is reported below in **Table 15**, but should be interpreted cautiously due to the small numbers of clients reporting.

TABLE 15. OUTPATIENT AI: FOLLOW-UP QUALITY OF LIFE OUTCOMES

Measures	30 Days After Treatment Entry	90 Days After Treatment Entry	1 Year After Treatment Entry
Depression (PHQ-9) score	4	5	4
Life satisfaction	76	77	80
Degree to which problem gambler's behaviors have interfered with normal activities	35	23	17
Feel responsible for gambler's treatment and recovery	31	32	17

**Note:** Depression 30 days N=29, 90 days N=32, 1 year N=21; life satisfaction 30 days N=29, 90 days N=31, 1 year N=19; interfere with normal activities 30 days N=28, 90 days N=31, 1 year N=17; feel responsible 30 days N=28, 90 days N=31, 1 year N=14.

#### Gamblers and AI: Feedback on Treatment Experiences

At follow-up, clients from across the treatment network were also asked for feedback on the treatment services received. Combining the three follow-up periods, of the 39 gambler clients offering comments on their treatment experiences, 34 (87%) had positive comments, 3 (8%) had negative comments, and 2 (5%) had neutral or mixed comments. In general, clients expressing positive comments appreciated the services provided, had high regard for their providers, and were satisfied with how treatment allowed them to make meaningful changes in their lives. Those with negative comments stated that they were not contacted by their provider to complete their remaining treatment after the first session or that they were not allowed to re-enter their residential program. Neutral comments mentioned satisfaction with the treatment they had been given, but a desire for additional treatment from the program.

Of the 9 Als who provided feedback on their treatment experiences, 8 offered positive comments, and 1 had negative comments. In general, those with positive comments expressed gratitude for the insight provided by their therapists and mentioned the benefits of coping mechanisms they learned in treatment that helped them and their families to cope with their problem gambler. The negative comment was regarding therapy via Zoom, which the client found to be less effective than in person sessions.

## 7. CLINICAL INTEGRATIONS

Housed within UGSP, clinical integration projects create and test new resources and clinical tools to identify best practices for the treatment of gambling disorders. During FY 2020-21, UGSP and OPG worked with two community agencies to develop proposals to address disparities in problem gambling education and treatment, for implementation in FY 2021-22.

Facilitating Latino/a Community Utilization of CalGETS Services Vision y Compromiso

The pilot project in Los Angeles and San Diego Counties is designed to increase CalGETS utilization among Latino communities. There are three elements to this project: training, community outreach, and evaluation. For the training component, the UCLA Gambling Studies Program (UGSP) will develop gambling-specific training content informed by focus groups with *Vision y Compromiso* (VyC) promotoras (lay health workers). VyC will deliver the training to promotoras. For community outreach, VyC will develop and implement an outreach protocol for the two target counties. For the evaluation component, VyC and UGSP will assess the training and community outreach activities using qualitative and quantitative methods.

Gambling Disorder Screening at the Riverside San Bernardino Indian Health Clinic

A California Gambling Education and Treatment Services (CalGETS) Pilot Project

This clinical integration is a gambling disorder pilot project designed to provide education, screening, and treatment referrals for those with gambling problems in the tribal community. This project will be implemented by Riverside San Bernardino Indian Health Clinics (RSBIHC) with support from UGSP and OPG and will include plans for data sharing as well as an evaluation of the program implementation.

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## APPENDIX: DETAILED RACE/ETHNICITY AND GENDER CATEGORIES

TABLE 16. GAMBLERS: RACE/ETHNICITY BY TREATMENT MODALITY AND COMPARED TO THE CALIFORNIA POPULATION

Race/Ethnicity (for those reporting a single category only)	Outpatient N = 441	IOP N 59	RTP N 24	PGTI N = 204	Total N = 728	CA Population <sup>22</sup> N = 39,237,826
White, Non-Hispanic only <sup>23</sup>	48%	56%	63%	28%	43%	37%
Asian/Pacific Islander only	18%	19%	13%	27%	20%	16%
Hispanic or Latino only	13%	9%	13%	24%	16%	39%
Black or African American only	8%	9%	4%	8%	8%	5%
American Indian/Alaskan Native only	<1%	2%	4%	1%	1%	2%
Other race/ethnicity only	6%	3%	4%	5%	5%	-
Multiracial or Multi-ethnic24	8%	3%	0%	7%	7%	4%
Race/Ethnicity (for those reporting single AND multiple categories)	N = 441	N = 59	N = 24	N = 204	N = 728	
White, Non-Hispanic only or with another race/ethnicity <sup>25</sup>	54%	56%	63%	35%	46%	
Asian/Pacific Islander only or with another race/ethnicity	21%	20%	13%	31%	22%	
Hispanic or Latino only or with another race/ethnicity	17%	10%	13%	27%	18%	
Black or African American only or with another race/ethnicity	9%	9%	4%	9%	8%	
American Indian/Alaskan Native only or with another race/ethnicity	1%	2%	4%	<1%	1%	
Other race/ethnicity only or with another race/ethnicity	7%	7%	4%	5%	6%	

**Note:** Race/ethnicity percentages for those reporting single AND multiple categories add up to greater than 100% because individuals can select more than one response.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> Quick Facts: California, US Census Bureau, accessed 2/5/2022, at https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/CA/PST045221.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> "Only" categories specify the percentage of respondents who identify with each ethnic or racial designation, alone and not in combination with any other ethnic or racial designation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> "Multiracial or Multi-ethnic" category specifies the percentage of respondents who identify with multiple ethnic or racial designations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> "Only or with another race/ethnicity" categories specify the percentage of respondents who identify with each ethnic or racial designation, whether alone or in combination with other ethnic or racial designations.

**TABLE 17. GAMBLERS: GENDER DETAILS BY TREAMENT MODALITY** 

Gender Categories	Outpatient N = 441	IOP N = 59	RTP N = 24	PGTI N = 204	Total N = 728
Gender – assigned at birth					
Male	67%	66%	83%	71%	68%
Female	33%	34%	17%	29%	32%
Gender – current self-described					
gender					
Male	66%	66%	83%	70%	68%
Female	33%	34%	17%	29%	32%
Transgender woman	<1%	-	-	1	<1%
Transgender man	<1%	-	-	•	<1%
Other gender category	<1%	-	-	<1%	<1%

TABLE 18. AI: RACE/ETHNICITY BY TREATMENT MODALITY AND COMPARED TO THE CALIFORNIA POPULATION

Race/Ethnicity (for those reporting a single category only)	Outpatient N = 218	PGTI N = 32 <sup>26</sup>	Total N = 250	CA Population <sup>27</sup> N = 39,237,826
White, Non-Hispanic only <sup>28</sup>	41%	13%	38%	37%
Asian/Pacific Islander only	16%	75%	23%	16%
Hispanic or Latino only	27%	3%	24%	39%
Black or African American only	6%	0%	5%	5%
American Indian/Alaskan Native only	0%	0%	0%	2%
Other race/ethnicity only	6%	3%	4%	-
Multiracial or Multi-ethnic <sup>29</sup>	4%	6%	6%	4%
Race/Ethnicity (for those reporting single AND multiple categories)	N = 218	N = 32	N = 250	
White, Non-Hispanic only or with another race/ethnicity <sup>30</sup>	45%	15%	39%	
Asian/Pacific Islander only or with another race/ethnicity	17%	79%	24%	
Hispanic or Latino only or with another race/ethnicity	31%	6%	26%	
Black or African American only or with another race/ethnicity	7%	0%	6%	
American Indian/Alaskan Native only or with another race/ethnicity	<1%	0%	<1%	
Other race/ethnicity only or with another race/ethnicity	5%	3%	5%	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> One AI PGTI client did not report race/ethnicity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> Quick Facts: California, US Census Bureau, accessed 2/5/2022, at https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/fact/table/CA/PST045221.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> "Multiracial or Multi-ethnic" category specifies the percentage of respondents who identify with multiple ethnic or racial designations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>30</sup> "Only or with another race/ethnicity" categories specify the percentage of respondents who identify with each ethnic or racial designation, whether alone or in combination with other ethnic or racial designations.

**TABLE 19. AI: GENDER DETAILS BY TREAMENT MODALITY** 

Gender assigned at birth	Outpatient N = 218	PGTI N = 33	Total N = 251
Male	22%	21%	22%
Female	78%	79%	78%
Unknown	-	-	-

Gender current self-described	Outpatient N = 21	PGTI N = 33	Total N = 251
Male	22%	21%	22%
Female	78%	76%	78%
Transgender woman	-	-	-
Transgender man	<1%	-	<1%
Choose not to disclose	-	3%	<1%

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