



Nebraska State Committee on Problem Gambling
County Inn & Suites – 5353 North 27th Street, Lincoln, NE 68521
June 5, 2009 - 9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Meeting Minutes



Purpose & Duration:

Quarterly Meeting of the Nebraska State Committee on Problem Gambling. The Executive Committee Meeting takes place one hour before regular meeting start.

Committee Members Attending:

John Bekins, Carol Berglund, Carmen Engelhardt, Sherrie Geier, John Hill, Steve Jung, Dennis McNeilly, Steve Sloup, Kenneth Timmerman

Committee Members Absent:

Dennis Buckley, Janet French

DHHS-Division of Behavioral Health Staff Attending:

Maya Chilese, Eric Hunsberger, Nancy Heller, Iliana Martin, Lori Dawes, Willard Bouwens, Vicki Maca, Scot Adams, Karen Harker, Daniela Myers.

Public Attendees:

Jolene Johns-Beckstrom, Wanda Swanson, Deb Hammond, Carl Spence, Cari Bruner, Joan Yekel, Steve Kroll,

Agenda Items:

I. **Meeting Called to Order:**

Steve Jung, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 9:00am. After Roll Call, it was determined that a quorum was present.

II. **Approval of Minutes:**

The Meeting Minutes for March 13, 2009 approved by general consent (Attachment 1).

III. **Approval of Agenda:**

The Agenda for June 5, 2009 was approved by general consent (Attachment 2).

IV. **Chair's Report - Steve Jung:**

- a. The Request for Proposal (RFP) Review Team composed of Ken Timmerman, Steve Jung, John Bekins, and Steve Sloup was thanked for their efforts and good input (Attachment 3A).
 1. Questions and concerns – if followed “real” rules, many applicants would have been disqualified. In order not to eliminate qualified Providers, this was not done.
 2. In future, instead of RFP, might go with RFQ depending on the nature of the services GAP is seeking to purchase and thus will choose appropriate mechanism to recruit applicants
 3. The Division notification of the RFP release went to all currently contracted GAP Agencies; and all but one submitted a proposal.
 4. One provider had a problem with the courier and the RFP was not delivered for review on time. However, a collaborative approval via Division Director and Committee Chair allowed for the acceptance of the proposal for review when normally, a late application would have been denied.
 5. Maya Chilese summarized that the Division is not required to RFP for services under \$50,000 nor can it RFP directly to an individual. It is required to RFP for services like workforce training and could RFQ for Treatment Providers. The purpose of the RFP is:

- To solicit competitive bidding
 - To solicit applicants interested in providing services
 - To solicit qualified applicants as treatment providers
- b. Dennis McNeilly brought up questions about RFPs and web sites - why the information is not available all the time; is there a need to educate folks? Sherrie pointed out that a decade ago, the RFP process seemed simpler, but perhaps not as accessible or secure. How it's evolved makes it more complete and accessible to all. Maya suggested there might be a timeline set up, but a government agency can only have so much information available and that too much information might give one party an advantage over another. Once we have a Strategic Plan and a better sense of direction, we might be able to place information on the website that is more helpful on the process.
- c. Letters were sent to all agencies in response to RFP submissions (Attachments 3B) specifically addressing what they had missed and what would still be required of them for final approval. Once the contracts go out, some would have to re-submit their Scope of Work, etc. There was a concern that some agencies sent requests to clients for letters on their behalf for inclusion with the RFP. Although this had been done four years ago, this was not solicited, appropriate nor a part of the RFP and was not scored. It was made clear that in the future, in order not to breach confidentiality, letters of support would be excluded from RFPs.

V. **Vice-Chair's Report - Sherrie Geier:**

- a. Bylaws - There were two proposed changes to the Bylaws that still required action from the previous meeting. The first change addressed whether to keep the Executive Committee membership/positions comprised as it is currently. The second change concerned the Executive Committee meeting without a GAP Staff member present. The Committee pointed out that while the Executive Committee would usually meet with a GAP Staff member present, it would not stop them from meeting without one. Any action would be on the Agenda and would be voted on either way.

Action: The changes were seconded and approved and Sherrie had final copies available for signature. The motion was passed and the amended Bylaws signed.

VI. **Secretary's Report - Dennis McNeilly:**

- a. Vacancies - The Governor's Office will expedite applicants for the vacant position. Other membership is up in July (Attachment 5). Division Director Scot Adams will e-mail in a week or so regarding this matter. The intent is to have geographic representation and a blending of consumers, providers, etc., but it is still up to the Governor to make each appointment. Would it be advisable for the Committee to make recommendations on appointments? The Committee should just encourage interested parties to apply.

VII. **GAP Program Report - Maya Chilese, Willard Bouwens, Lori Dawes, Karen Harker:**

- a. Financial Status:
1. As per the information in Attachment 6A, about 85% of available Lottery funds have been spent at 91% of the Fiscal Year. The plan is to spend what is available even if we have to subcontract.
 2. The Committee questioned why there was still Health Care Cash unspent, since this comes from Tobacco funding, which would be taken away if not spent. The same thing happened last year when at this time of the year there were still \$10,000 unspent. Lori Dawes and Willard Bouwens assure the Committee that this will be remedied as billing comes in for May, June and July. The current report as it is generated makes these amounts appear unused. Lori stated that Daniela Myer's analysis, accounts for \$34,000 to end of year on contracts.
 3. Maya and Lori have been trying to streamline these reports and tie them to funds that would be drawn consistently, however, treatment funds are more fluid.
 4. The Committee would like to see Health Care funds go to treatment agencies, or a larger provider contract that would use funds at a faster pace. Health Care funds should be used up first.

5. Some Committee members recommend spending the bulk of Health Care funds by the third quarter. Others would be more conservative as it is risky to spend funds by a certain time, especially if they would be for services that could come out of other funds.
6. The Committee would like to see Administrative Budget details to see exactly what the funds are being used for. By Statute, up to 10% of funds may be used for Administration. Maya offered to try to bring this report to the August Committee Meeting if possible.
7. Karen Harker reiterated that the apparent excess in funds showing unused may be a timing issue on the DHHS Report. Although it may look like there is a \$10,000 carry over, invoices that come in July are actually for June bills, so we would be able to show the Legislature that a allocated funds were used.
8. Lori Dawes offered to see if the report could be changed so that it did not look as if \$10,000 in Health Care funds appeared unused at the end of the third quarter. She also stated that next year DHHS will be requesting \$280,000 Spending Authority in anticipation for Lottery funds going up. There is still \$683,000 in the bank, and although we have the authority to spend the funds, they may not be there in savings for next year.
9. Maya proposed caution, awarding funds mid-year rather than allocating everything at the beginning of the year as was done this year. Choices and R. Landrigan had the highest use of funds.
10. Attachments provided show some specific and/or projected usage but not itemization. The Committee would like to see more itemization so that they can see exactly how funds were spent.

Break for Lunch

- b. Funding Requests - Attachments were presented to help the Committee supply their recommendations.
 1. Attachment 6D – General Ledger - the spending authority has been fully utilized for this year – cannot meet any funding requests at this juncture.
 2. Attachment 6D - Richard Landrigan requested increased funding in the second quarter, but since there was no quorum at the March meeting, it carried forward to June when it was awarded. This is an example of a request for funds on a contact that far exceeded what it was originally was allocated for this year.
 3. Attachment 6E – Choices request for increased funding
- c. FY 10 Budget Proposals & RFP Review Team Analysis and Recommendations
 1. Attachment 3A – this draft document was built on information on current utilization from billings in order to provide a basis with which to make awards for the next Fiscal Year Contracts for Agencies. There is a big discrepancy in the requests from First Step and Choices – they might be asked to re-submit their Scope of Work. The Committee also discussed setting some parameters and looking at national averages/caps. Eric Hunsberger stated that national averages are used as provider benchmarks and that the actual numbers are higher in Nebraska – services rates that are delivered in Chadron differ from those delivered in Omaha; due to capacity capabilities. Both local and national data needs to be considered. Sherrie Geier pointed out that if all the recommendations were taken, there would not be that cushion of funds in the spending authority – the difference of \$112,000 land on two agencies not five. However, the cushion numbers can be adjusted by changing contract amounts for private and miscellaneous contractors like PPC, who will not be contracted for the same amount as last year. After discussion, a consensus was reached on what the Committee recommendations (Attachment 3A color). The Division will e-mail FY 2010 projections for next year.
 2. Attachment 6F – GAP Recommendations – this document was built on information on current utilization from billings in order to provide a basis with which to make awards for the next Fiscal Year Contracts for Providers. Maya Chilese suggested that in the future, funds might have strategic planning to track utilization and trends and tying the data to outreach and prevention and making allocations accordingly. Comment was also made regarding whether projections by providers included roll-over clients – people who were not graduated and were still in treatment. This might cause some numbers to appear inflated and others to be under projected. Tracking and better standardizing how projections are made and training might be

- helpful in this area. The Provider Manual might reflect these ideas better.
3. Issues with Rob Walton's billing and certification were brought up, and whether he can legally provide services. Maya Chilese pointed out that there is not a policy to allow for expectations. If there is a concern about his practice, then there is a need to craft a policy to address such issues. Dennis McNeilly also suggested that they explain to him that funding in future may depend on being a CCGC.
 4. Vicki Maca suggested that his funding be reduced to \$ 4,000 and that the Committee consider conversation about procedures to address the concerns and eliminate future issues.
 5. The Committee also went over other budgets:
 - Magellan – has contractual incentives to get deliverables – GAP recommendation accepted
 - PPC – increased last year to allow for Eric Hunsberger's deployment. Since Eric is back, PPC contract reduction is agreed upon.
 - NCCG – increase with new regulations requiring increased clinician education/training and NCCG contract will include the development of coursework
 - Education - Ayres Billboards were discussed as a great one-time buy strategy that would tie into strategies for education and deliverables. PPC would be able to track the billboard placement data to the Helpline. GAP recommendation accepted tagging \$20,000 for one-time billboards and up to \$ 5,000 for additional outreach materials/publications.
 - Prevention – Helpline, workforce development - Prevention is hard to measure what's been accomplished – Committee expressed concern that they had no reports that show results. Tech Assistance could be provided via Regional Prevention system to community agencies/coalitions about youth gambling prevention. Might be able to get some type of report on these two contracts in August – GAP indicated several options for the Committee to consider: (GAP will provide formal recommendation in August).
 1. Reduce both contracts as currently need less money to implement programs
 2. Take curriculum & materials and pilot somewhere else in the State
 3. Channel Prevention in the Behavioral Health Regions and blend in incentives
 4. Can say whether or not to facilitate programs or move to re-distribute. It would be safe to stay with the GAP recommended amount reducing funding and see where it goes next year.
 - Licensure App – minimal funding allowed for possible continued contract with M. Sullivan. Suggestion to cover travel to meet with senators helping to craft legislation was countered with the question by Scot Adams about needed a champion: there is a difference between and overseer and a lobbyist. For Licensure App need to have someone who has interest in educating the Legislature.
 6. After discussion, a consensus was reached on what the overall Committee recommendations would be, the total being \$725,500 (Attachment 6F color).
 7. Attachment 6G – GAP Draft Budget Recommendations – accepted by the Committee with slight adjustments as discussed (Attachment 6G color).
 8. Attachment 7B - Committee Calendar Projections - discussed. GAP Evaluation and Annual Report due September 30th, 2009. Eric Hunsberger asked for volunteers to help draft/edit the document. John Hill, John Bekins and Sherrie Geier volunteered.

Action: The Committee budget recommendations were noted and approved. Contracts will reflect the Committee's recommendations. Agenda items for the next meeting are the Annual Report and 1058 Report.

VIII. **GAP Program Report – Maya Chilese & Eric Hunsberger:**

- a. Attachment 7A - Division Staff Update for FY 2010: Maya thanked Nancy Heller for her time serving GAP and welcomed Iliana Martin as the staff assistant for GAP. Roles clarified.
- b. Attachment 7A – Committee Calendar or Events FY 2010: Maya introduced quarterly calendar of events for GAP/Committee for reflection and potential use to guide expectations of meeting content as well as serve as a visual overview of annual happenings.
- c. Attachment 7C – CCGC Roster: Updated roster presented.

- d. Attachment 9 – GAP Evaluation Team Draft Report & NOMS: Maya noted that the Evaluation Team has provided much work and insight into the development of a report card for GAP and additional information that will strengthen the evaluation of services which will be utilized to measure program success as well as guide strategic planning. Documents referred to for further Committee review as next meeting will focus on Annual Report development.

IX. Legislative Updates – Sheri Geier:

- a. Attachment 8 – highlights of LR6CA, LB189 & LB286 were supplied as per attachment.

X. Public Comment/Discussion:

- Wanda noted that regarding the Scope of Work on a contract, if the funding were different, that alone would have a bearing on the changes of Scope of Work.
- Wanda asked about the Provider Manual status; Maya indicated that a FY10 Provider Manual will be available shortly after the new Fiscal Year begins.

XI. Next Committee Meeting: August 21, 2009. Agenda items will include the GAP Annual Report, PPC deliverables with Juan Pablo Ramirez, Strategic Planning, licensing report, conference/travel reports.

XII. Meeting Adjourned: Meeting concluded at 3:31 p.m.

Minutes prepared by Iliana Martin, Staff Assistant II, Division of Behavioral Health, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services. Minutes are intended to provide only a general summary of the Committees proceedings.

GAP June 2009: RFP42273 Review Team Analysis & Recommendations

All Numbers as of June 3, 2009

3A

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** Anticipated Amount Available



Division of Behavioral Health

State of Nebraska

Dave Heineman, Governor

May 25, 2009

First Step Wellness and Recovery
210 Gateway Suite #342 Greentree Court
Lincoln, NE 68505

Dear Stephen Kroll,

Thank you for submitting your proposal in response to the Division of Behavioral Health – Gamblers Assistance Program RFP#42273 for Outpatient Treatment for Problem and Pathological Gamblers. Your proposal was reviewed and will be recommended for funding based upon the following conditions:

- Submission of financial statement and full fiscal position report as originally requested in RFP, and
- Resubmission of Scope of Work based upon funding award.

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Thank you for your interest in providing services in partnership with GAP and for your demonstration of dedication to problem gambling consumers and their families.

Please contact me with any questions at 402-471-7792 or maya.chilese@nebraska.gov.

Sincerely,

Maya Chilese, MA, PLMHP, CCGC
Interim Gamblers Assistance Program Manager
Division of Behavioral Health



May 25, 2009

Heartland Family Services
2101 South 42nd Street
Omaha, NE 68105

Dear Jane Howard,

Thank you for submitting your proposal in response to the Division of Behavioral Health – Gamblers Assistance Program RFP#42273 for Outpatient Treatment for Problem and Pathological Gamblers. Your proposal was reviewed and will be recommended for funding based upon the following conditions:

- Submission of verification of all practitioner certifications/licensures; and
- Submission of the initialed Terms and Conditions section of the RFP as originally required; and
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CrossRoads Resources
651 West 4th Street, P.O. Box 1299
Chadron, NE 69337

Dear Ms. Yekel,

Thank you for submitting your proposal in response to the Division of Behavioral Health – Gamblers Assistance Program RFP#42273 for Outpatient Treatment for Problem and Pathological Gamblers. Your proposal was reviewed and will be recommended for funding based upon the following conditions:

- Clarification of security measures to protect client files; and
- Submission of financial statements once able to provide position as an Incorporated agency; and
- Agreement to receive technical assistance from GAP to ensure agency adherence to policy and appropriate implementation of Education/Outreach procedures.

In addition, although the Committee and the Division recognizes the tremendous value of partnerships within the community as well the power of the consumer voice, the Review Team wishes to provide comment regarding the provision of such letters in this instance:

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Spence Counseling
12035 Q Street
Omaha, NE 68137

Dear Charles Spence,

Thank you for submitting your proposal in response to the Division of Behavioral Health – Gamblers Assistance Program RFP#42273 for Outpatient Treatment for Problem and Pathological Gamblers. Your proposal was reviewed and will be recommended for partial funding based upon the following conditions:

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May 25, 2009

Choices Treatment Center, Inc
2737 N. 49th Street
Lincoln, NE 68504

Dear Deb Hammond,

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BY-LAWS

Article I – Name of Organization

The name of the organization shall be the State Committee on Problem Gambling.

Article II – Purpose

As found in Neb. Rev. Statutes 71-816, the purpose of the Committee is to: ~~(1) provide advice and assistance to the division relating to the provision of problem gambling and addiction services in the State of Nebraska, (2) evaluate applications for funding from the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund and make recommendations relating to disbursements from the fund, (3) promote the interests of consumers and their families, (4) provide reports as requested by the division, and (5) engage in such other activities as directed or authorized by the division.~~ **(1) develop and recommend to the Division of Behavioral Health (Division) guidelines and standard for the distribution and disbursement of money in the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund; (2) develop recommendations regarding (a) the evaluation and approval process for provider applications and contracts for treatment funding from the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund, (b) the review and use of evaluation data, (c) the use and expenditure of funds for education regarding problem gambling and prevention of problem gambling, and (d) the creation and implementation of outreach and educational programs regarding problem gambling for Nebraska residents; and (3) engage in other activities it finds necessary to carry out its duties.**

Article III – Membership

Section 1

Appointments: The committee shall consist of twelve members appointed by the governor. At least three of the twelve members of the committee shall be consumers, as provided by Neb. Rev. Statutes 71-816 ~~(1)~~ **(2)**.

Section 2

Length of Term: ~~Four of the initial members appointed by the governor shall serve for three years. Four of the initial members appointed by the governor shall serve for two years, and four of the initial members shall serve for one year. As the terms of the initial members expire, their successors~~ **Committee members** shall be appointed for terms of three years.

Article IV - Voting

Section 1

Quorum: A simple majority of appointed Committee members present at any called meeting shall constitute a quorum. Once established, a quorum shall be deemed to continue throughout the meeting. All votes to award funds from the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund and amend the Bylaws shall require a two-thirds majority vote of appointed Committee members. All other Committee business shall be conducted by a simple majority vote of those members present.

Section 2

Conflicts of Interest: A conflict of interest is created through the existence of circumstances where the actions of a member may have an effect of direct financial benefit or detriment to the member, a member of his/her family, employer, business associate, or a business in which the member owns a substantial interest. A member shall disclose the conflict to the Committee and abstain from voting on issues on which there is a conflict. Meeting minutes shall record the name of a member(s), who abstains from voting.

Article V – Officers

Section 1

Selection: Officers of the Committee shall be a chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary. Officers shall be elected biennially. In the event of a vacancy, the Committee shall elect a member to serve the unexpired term of office.

Section 2

Duties: The duties of the officers shall be:

Chairperson – Preside at all Committee and executive meetings, and perform any other duties designated by the Committee.

Vice-Chairperson - Shall act for the chairperson in his/her absence.

Secretary – Shall act for the chairperson and vice-chairperson in their absence. Shall perform other duties as designated by the chairpersons or Committee

Section 3

Term: No officer shall serve more than three consecutive, two-year terms.

Article VI – Executive Committee

Section 1

Defined: The Executive Committee shall consist of the chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary. A chairperson may call the Executive Committee together at his/her discretion.

Section 2

Duties: ~~A~~ **The** chairperson may call the Executive Committee together at his/her discretion. **A staff representative(s) from the Gamblers Assistance Program may attend Executive Committee meetings. All members of the State Committee on Problem Gambling shall be notified that a meeting has been called and told the nature of the matter(s) to be considered.**

Actions taken by the Executive Committee shall be included on the agenda for the next regular Committee meeting to be affirmed by an appropriate majority of the entire Committee.

Article VII- Meetings

Section 1

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Section 5. 4.

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~~All alterations, amendments or new Bylaws adopted by the Committee are subject to the approval of the administrator of the Division of Behavioral Health or the administrator's designated representative.~~

Adopted this 16th Day of May 2008.

Adopted this 5th Day of June 2009.

Chairperson's Signature

BY-LAWS

Article I – Name of Organization

The name of the organization shall be the State Committee on Problem Gambling.

Article II – Purpose

As found in Neb. Rev. Statutes 71-816, the purpose of the Committee is to: (1) provide advice and assistance to the division relating to the provision of problem gambling and addiction services in the State of Nebraska, (2) evaluate applications for funding from the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund and make recommendations relating to disbursements from the fund, (3) promote the interests of consumers and their families, (4) provide reports as requested by the division, and (5) engage in such other activities as directed or authorized by the division. (1) develop and recommend to the Division of Behavioral Health (Division) guidelines and standard for the distribution and disbursement of money in the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund; (2) develop recommendations regarding (a) the evaluation and approval process for provider applications and contracts for treatment funding from the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund, (b) the review and use of evaluation data, (c) the use and expenditure of funds for education regarding problem gambling and prevention of problem gambling, and (d) the creation and implementation of outreach and educational programs regarding problem gambling for Nebraska residents; and (3) engage in other activities it finds necessary to carry out its duties.

Article III – Membership

Section 1

Appointments: The committee shall consist of twelve members appointed by the governor. At least three of the twelve members of the committee shall be consumers, as provided by Neb. Rev. Statutes 71-816(2).

Section 2

Length of Term: Four of the initial members appointed by the governor shall serve for three years. Four of the initial members appointed by the governor shall serve for two years, and four of the initial members shall serve for one year. As the terms of the initial members expire, their successors Committee members shall be appointed for terms of three years.

Article IV - Voting

Section 1

Quorum: A simple majority of appointed Committee members present at any called meeting shall constitute a quorum. Once established, a quorum shall be deemed to continue throughout the meeting. All votes to award funds from the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund and amend the Bylaws shall require a two-thirds majority vote of appointed Committee members. All other Committee business shall be conducted by a simple majority vote of those members present.

Section 2

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Section 1

Selection: Officers of the Committee shall be a chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary. Officers shall be elected biennially. In the event of a vacancy, the Committee shall elect a member to serve the unexpired term of office.

Section 2

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Chairperson – Preside at all Committee and executive meetings, and perform any other duties designated by the Committee.

Vice-Chairperson - Shall act for the chairperson in his/her absence.

Secretary – Shall act for the chairperson and vice-chairperson in their absence. Shall perform other duties as designated by the chairpersons or Committee

Section 3

Term: No officer shall serve more than three consecutive, two-year terms.

Article VI – Executive Committee

Section 1

Defined: The Executive Committee shall consist of the chairperson, vice-chairperson and secretary. A chairperson may call the Executive Committee together at his/her discretion.

Section 2

Duties: The chairperson may call the Executive Committee together at his/her discretion. A staff representative(s) from the Gamblers Assistance Program may attend Executive Committee meetings. All members of the State Committee on Problem Gambling shall be notified that a meeting has been called and told the nature of the matter(s) to be considered.

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Adopted this 5th Day of June 2009.



Chairperson's Signature

State Committee on Problem Gambling Membership
May 5, 2009

Name/Address/Phone Number	Position	Appointment Date	Appointment Expires
John Bekins 8707 Woolworth Avenue Omaha, Ne 68124 (402) 397-3194 jbekins@cox.net (located in Region 6)	Member	7-14-08	7-1-11 As stated on Gov. Certificate
Carol Berglund PO Box 29204 Lincoln, NE 685529-0204 (402) 367-3443 (mom's in David City) (402) 802-7117 (cell) (located in Region 5)	Member	8-1-08	7-1-11 As stated on Gov. Certificate
Dennis Buckley c/o Neighborhood Extra 926 P Street Lincoln, NE 68508 (402) 473-7150 dennis.buckley@lee.net (located in Region 5)	Member	8-1-08	7-1-10 As stated on Gov. Certificate
Carmen Engelhardt 1614 West 5 th Street Hastings, NE 68901 (402) 463-3610 carion@windstream.net (located in Region 3)	Member	2-13-08	7-1-09 Gov. Certificate states 7-1-09
Vacant	Member		
Dr. Janet French, Ph.D. 5120 Cass Omaha, NE 68132 (402) 556-7850 jb french@worldnet.att.net (located in Region 6)	Member	7-1-04 Current term began 10-15-07	7-1-10 As stated in letter from Gov. on 10-17-07.
Sherrie Geier 5306 Tipperary Trail Lincoln, NE 68512 (402) 423-5595 (402) 471-2613 (Sen. Pankonin's Office) sgeier@leg.ne.gov (located in Region 5)	Vice-Chairperson	7-1-04 Current term began 10-15-07	7-1-10 As stated in letter from Gov. on 10-17-07.
John Hill 111 South 18 th Plaza, Suite C79 Omaha, NE 68102 (402) 661-7543 john_hill@nep.uscourts.gov (located in Region 6)	Member	7-14-08	7-1-09 As stated on Certificate from Gov. and letter on 7/22/08.

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May 5, 2009

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Dr. Dennis McNeilly, SJ, PsyD 2500 California Plaza Omaha, NE 68178 (402) 280-2633 Home (402) 552-6062 Work (402)677-5598 Cell dmcneill@unmc.edu (located in Region 6)	Secretary	10-15-07	7-1-09 As stated in letter from Gov. on 10-17-07.
Steve Sloup 3028 Georgian Court Lincoln, NE 68502 (402) 323-8987 ssloup@westgatebank.com (located in Region 5)	Member	7-14-08	7-1-10 As stated on Gov. Certificate and letter on 7/22/08.
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Number of Members Appointed by Governor: 12

Terms: 3 years – No Limit

Statutory Reference: 71-816

Meetings: As Needed or Quarterly

Function: The Committee shall be responsible to the State Behavioral Health Council and shall conduct regular meetings, provide advice and assistance to the Council and the Division relating to the provision of problem gambling and addiction services in the State of Nebraska, evaluate applications for funding from the Comprehensive Gamblers Assistance Fund and make recommendations relating to disbursements from the fund, promote the interests of consumers and their families, provide reports as requested by the Council of the Division and engage in such other activities as directed or authorized by the Council.

Summary: Members shall have a demonstrated interest, commitment, and specialized knowledge or experience relating to the provision of problem gambling and addiction services in the State of Nebraska.

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May 5, 2009

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Vacant	Member		Filling position that expires ?
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71-817 Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund; created; use; investment. The Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund is created. The fund shall include revenue transferred from the State Lottery Operation Trust Fund under section 9-812 and the Charitable Gaming Operations Fund under section 9-1,101 and any other revenue received by the division for credit to the fund from any other public or private source, including, but not limited to, appropriations, grants, donations, gifts, devises, bequests, fees, or reimbursements. The division shall administer the fund for the treatment of problem gamblers as recommended by the State Committee on Problem Gambling established under section 71-816 and shall spend no more than ten percent of the money appropriated to the fund for administrative costs. The Director of Administrative Services shall draw warrants upon the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund upon the presentation of proper vouchers by the division. Money from the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall be used exclusively for the purpose of providing assistance to agencies, groups, organizations, and individuals that provide education, assistance, and counseling to individuals and families experiencing difficulty as a result of problem gambling, to promote the awareness of gamblers assistance programs, and to pay the costs and expenses of the division and the committee with regard to problem gambling. The division shall not provide any direct services to problem gamblers or their families. Funds appropriated from the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund shall not be granted or loaned to or administered by any regional behavioral health authority unless the authority is a direct provider of a problem gamblers assistance program. Any money in the fund available for investment shall be invested by the state investment officer pursuant to the Nebraska Capital Expansion Act and the Nebraska State Funds Investment Act.

Source

1. Laws 1993, LB 138, § 33;
2. R.S.Supp.,1994, § 9-804.05;
3. Laws 1995, LB 275, § 17;
4. Laws 2000, LB 659, § 3;
5. Laws 2001, LB 541, § 5;
6. R.S.Supp.,2002, § 83-162.04;
7. Laws 2004, LB 1083, § 17;
8. Laws 2005, LB 551, § 7;
9. Laws 2008, LB1058, § 2.

Cross References

Nebraska Capital Expansion Act, see section 72-1269.

Nebraska State Funds Investment Act, see section 72-1260.

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**Fiscal Year 2008-2009
Expenditures and Revenues**
As of May 31, 2009

Percent of Time Elapsed 91.67%
Percent Elapsed- Bi-weekly Admin 92.31%

Expenditures

	<u>Administration</u>	<u>% Expend</u>	<u>Lottery</u>	<u>% Expend</u>	<u>Prevention Education Awareness</u>	<u>% Expend</u>	<u>Health Care Cash</u>	<u>% Expend</u>	<u>Grand Total</u>	<u>% Expend</u>
Budget	\$75,000		\$709,620		\$198,000		\$225,000		\$1,207,620	
Expenditures YTD	<u>\$57,916</u>	77.22%	<u>\$608,535</u>	85.76%	<u>\$165,186</u>	83.43%	<u>\$191,155</u>	84.96%	<u>\$1,022,792</u>	84.69%
Unexpended	<u>\$17,084</u>		<u>\$101,085</u>		<u>\$32,814</u>		<u>\$33,845</u>		<u>\$184,828</u>	

Revenues

	<u>Administration Fund 21750 and Fund 22640</u>	<u>Lottery Revenue (Fund 21750)</u>	<u>Prevention Education Awareness (Fund 21750)</u>	<u>Health Care Cash (Fund 22640)</u>	<u>Grand Total</u>
Beginning Balance	112,040	225,318	92,854	10,253	\$440,466
Receipts YTD	75,000	842,017	97,322	225,000	\$1,239,339
Interest	1,318	22,194	2,565	0	<u>\$26,077</u>
Total Available	<u>188,358</u>	<u>1,089,529</u>	<u>192,741</u>	<u>235,253</u>	<u>\$1,705,882</u>
Expenditures	<u>\$57,916</u>	<u>\$608,535</u>	<u>\$165,186</u>	<u>\$191,155</u>	<u>\$1,022,792</u>
Ending Balance	<u>\$130,442</u>	<u>\$480,994</u>	<u>\$27,555</u>	<u>\$44,098</u>	<u>\$683,090</u>

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GAP Funding Projections
Based on LB315
June 1, 2009

	FY09	FY10	FY11	
Aid Budget	\$ 1,132,620	\$ 1,132,620	\$ 1,132,620	
Admin Budget	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	\$ 75,000	
	\$ 1,207,620	\$ 1,207,620	\$ 1,207,620	
Requested Increase- Spending Authority		\$ 250,000	\$ 250,000	Cash
Total Spending Authority	\$ 1,207,620	\$ 1,457,620	\$ 1,457,620	
Increase over FY09 Funding		21%	21%	

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**Gamblers' Assistance Program Statement of Contracts
As of June 3, 2009
Including April of 4th Quarter**

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	Total Contract	1st Qtr July - Sept	2nd Qtr Oct - Dec	3rd Qtr Jan - Mar	4th Qtr Apr-June	Total Paid Out	Total % Used	Fund Sources
Agencies								
Lutheran Family Services	\$3,000	474.99	166.66	774.99	233.33	1,649.97	55.00%	Lottery, Healthcare
First Step	\$123,000	29,161.23	25,699.98	26,802.48	10,044.16	91,707.85	74.56%	Lottery, Healthcare
Choices	\$189,000	42,497.49	54,019.99	58,017.49	18,845.83	173,380.80	91.74%	Lottery, Healthcare
Spence Counseling	\$140,000	32,856.00	34,401.00	36,298.50	10,192.00	113,747.50	81.25%	Lottery, Healthcare
Heartland Family Services	\$163,000	42,750.42	34,285.40	38,451.81	14,675.34	130,162.97	79.85%	Lottery, Healthcare
CrossRoads	\$27,000	5,192.76	4,177.50	6,642.50	2,207.50	18,220.26	67.48%	Lottery, Healthcare
Total Agencies	\$645,000	152,932.89	152,750.53	166,987.77	56,198.16	528,869.35	82.00%	
Private Providers								
Michael Sullivan	\$43,000	7,928.55	12,725.00	11,387.50	3,342.50	35,383.55	82.29%	Lottery, Healthcare
Robert Walton	\$8,000	1,640.02	2,062.50	1,185.00		4,887.52	61.09%	Lottery, Healthcare
Richard Landrigan	\$16,600	6,737.25	4,125.00	3,355.00	1,540.00	14,757.25	88.90%	Lottery, Healthcare
Wanda Swanson	\$13,500	1,165.00	1,850.00	5,385.00	1,762.50	10,162.50	75.28%	Lottery, Healthcare
Betty Hampton	\$6,000	1,712.18	1,280.00	712.50	75.00	3,779.68	62.99%	Lottery, Healthcare
Lisa Johnson	\$11,000	2,425.00	2,190.00	1,725.00	1,575.00	7,915.00	71.95%	Lottery, Healthcare
Rebecca Green	\$6,000	235.95	440.00	675.00		1,350.95	22.52%	Lottery, Healthcare
Total Private Providers	\$104,100	20,843.95	24,672.50	24,425.00	8,295.00	78,236.45	75.16%	
NCCG	\$190,000	43,749.99	55,279.74	43,750.00	14,583.33	157,363.06	82.82%	Lottery, Education
Prevention/ Education Contracts								
Lutheran Family Services	\$1,000	55.00	110.00	55.00	55.00	275.00	27.50%	Education
First Step	\$12,000	3,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,000.00	10,000.00	83.33%	Education
Choices	\$5,000	1,249.98	1,249.98	1,249.98	416.66	4,166.60	83.33%	Education
Heartland Family Services	\$9,000	1,980.00	1,608.75	4,468.75	192.50	8,250.00	91.67%	Education
CrossRoads	\$2,000	1,815.00	185.00			2,000.00	100.00%	Education
Betty Hampton	\$1,000	110.00	890.00			1,000.00	100.00%	Education
GWL	\$50,000	6,508.09	6,749.99	6,261.54	15,373.33	34,892.95	69.79%	Education
Lancaster-Odds	\$50,000	1,779.00	10,604.64	7,604.98		19,988.62	39.98%	Education
Total Prevention	\$130,000	16,497.07	24,398.36	22,640.25	17,037.49	80,573.17	61.98%	
Evaluation Contracts								
Michael Sullivan- Licensing	\$10,000	3,431.23	1,644.21	2,278.51		7,353.95	73.54%	Health Admin
University Public Policy Center	\$70,000		29,851.74	0.00		29,851.74	42.65%	Healthcare, Health Admin
Magellan- Two Years	\$10,000					0.00	0.00%	Healthcare
Total Evaluation	\$90,000	\$3,431.23	\$31,495.95	\$2,278.51	\$0.00	\$37,205.69	41.34%	
Total Contracts	\$1,159,100	\$237,455.13	\$288,597.08	\$260,081.53	\$96,113.98	\$882,247.72	76.11%	



Chilese, Maya

From: Richard Landrigan [landrigan@charterinternet.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 26, 2009 4:35 PM
To: Chilese, Maya
Subject: GAP funding

Dear Maya,

Our projected funding needs based upon our current counseling load and best guess will be \$45,000 with \$5,000 going for education.

In regard to the GAP funding I want to let you know that the entire legal profession in the panhandle needs to be educated on gambling issues. The list includes: Judges, county attorneys, defense attorney, public defenders, and probation officers. There may be more, but when I told the local sports announcer the high percentage of junior and high school students who gamble he was shocked.

We have need for education in these and possible more areas. Many women in our area are arrested for embezzlement and other financial crimes are *never assessed* for a gambling problem.

When I called the director for the local probation office she questioned my qualifications with the state to assess for any thing.

Our client case load has increased and will increase more because we know of other gamblers who are searching. One is just starting to contact and seek treatment now.

Our funding will need to be increased greatly, because we will be entering the year with an ongoing case load which is different than last year.

Richard Landrigan LMHP, LIMHP, CPC, CCGC

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Choices Treatment Center, Inc.

2737 N 49th St
Lincoln, NE 68504
www.choicestreatmentcenter.com
Phone: 402-476-2300
Fax: 402-476-2337
E-mail: choices934@alltel.net

May 7, 2009

DHHS
301 Centennial Mall
PO Box 95026
Lincoln, NE 68509

Dear Maya and Nancy,

Request for additional funds.

Provider Agency Name: Choices Treatment Center, Inc
Address: 2737 N. 49th Street
Lincoln, NE 68504

Current FY contract amount:	\$180,000.00
Direct Client Care:	132,000.00
Education:	5,000.00
Indirect Evaluation Data Entry Services:	43,000.00

Amended: March, 2009 14,000.00 (Direct Client Care)

Current Capacity Number Served: 31

Choices, Inc. has completed:
38 Evaluations
1,155.5 hours of Individual Therapy
291 hours of Family Therapy
182.5 hours of Group Therapy
77 hours of Non-admit Crisis Therapy

Program Narrative:

Choices, Inc. continues to document significant increases in criminal activity, debt, dual diagnosis, jeopardized or lost significant relationships, job and educational

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opportunities because of problem gambling. Clients' needs are greater when a combination of problems exist. Clients are at higher risk of relapse therefore the need for continued care.

- Describe program to be funded: Treatment for direct client care.

As of May 7, 2009, 2 additional evaluations have been completed with another scheduled for May 15, 2009 or sooner if clients schedule permits.

Choices, Inc. continues to employ dually credentialed counselors who appropriately serve our clients needs. By serving individuals on a multi dimensional level we reduce the risk of relapse, therefore saving the state and agency money in the long term.

On January 29, 2009 Choices, Inc. requested an increase in current contract year of \$28,000.00. Choices, Inc. was anticipating a need of approximately \$35,000.00 at that time; requesting \$28,000.00 from the state and fundraising the \$7,000.00 balance. At the last state GAP committee meeting March 13, 2009 the committee awarded a \$14,000.00 amendment. At that time John Hill stated, "It appears Choices, Inc. should be requesting more funding." No further discussion on his statement except for agreeing to award \$14,000.00.

Requested funding increase: \$15,000.00

Submitted by Choices, Inc. by Deb Hammond, Director

Submission Date: May 7, 2009

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Deb Hammond", is written over a horizontal line. Below the signature, the word "Director" is written in a similar cursive style.

GAP June 2009: Service Contract Recommendations

All numbers as of June 3, 2009



Private Provider	FY09 Contract Amount	FY09 Treatment \$ Clients Served Estimate	FY09 Average Cost per Client Estimate*	FY09 Education \$ Estimate	GAP Recommends	Committee Recommends
Michael Sullivan	\$43,000 Tx: 43,000 Ed: 0	\$35,218.55 Clients: 19	\$1,853.61	\$165 3 Ed. hours	\$43,000	
Rob Walton	\$8,000 Tx: 8,000 Ed: 0	\$4,887.52 Clients: 4	\$1,221.88	0	\$7,000	
Richard Landrigan	\$16,600 Tx: 16,600 Ed: 0	\$14,757.25 Clients: 5	\$2,951.45	0	\$20,000	
Wanda Swanson	\$13,500 Tx: 13,500 Ed: 0	\$8,677.50 Clients: 3	\$2,892.50	\$1,485 27 Ed. hours	\$13,000	
Betty Hampton	\$7,000 Tx: 6,000 Ed: 1,000	\$1,259.68 Clients: 3	\$419.90	\$3,520 64 Ed. hours	\$6,000	
Lisa Johnson	\$11,000 Tx: 11,000 Ed: 0	\$7,860 Clients: 5	\$1,572	\$55 1 Ed. hour	\$10,000	
Rebecca Green	\$6,000 Tx: 6,000 Ed: 0	\$910.95 Clients: 2	\$455.48	\$440 8 Ed. hours	\$6,000	
Total=	\$105,100				\$105,000	
Magellan	\$10,000				\$10,000 (2 year contract)	
Public Policy Center	\$70,000				\$50,000	
NCCG	\$190,000				\$220,000	
Education	\$0				\$25,000	
Prevention	\$100,000				\$75,000	
Licensure App	\$10,000				\$5,000	
Total=	\$370,000				\$385,000	

* Includes Assessments, Crisis, Treatment, and Admin Costs

GAP June 2009: Service Contract Recommendations

All numbers as of June 3, 2009

Private Provider	FY09 Contract Amount	FY09 Treatment \$ Clients Served Estimate	FY09 Average Cost per Client Estimate*	FY09 Education \$ Estimate	GAP Recommends	Committee Recommends (June 5, 2009)
Michael Sullivan	\$43,000 Tx: 43,000 Ed: 0	\$35,218.55 Clients: 19	\$1,853.61	\$165 3 Ed. hours	\$43,000	\$ 43,000
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Total=	\$105,100				\$105,000	\$ 117,000

Magellan	\$10,000				\$10,000 (2 year Contract)	\$10,000
Public Policy Center	\$70,000				\$50,000	\$50,000
NCCG	\$190,000				\$220,000	\$215,000
Education	\$0				\$25,000	\$25,000**
Prevention	\$100,000				\$75,000	\$75,000
Licensure App	\$10,000				\$5,000	\$5,000
Total=	\$370,000				\$385,000	\$355,000

* Includes Assessments, Crisis, Treatment, and Admin Costs

** \$20,000 Billboards (Ayres- one time from savings) / Up to \$5,000 Materials/Pubs

GAP June 2009: DRAFT Budget Recommendations



	FY09 Contract Amount	GAP Recommendations	Committee Recommendations
Agencies	\$674,000	See RFP Team Recommendations	
Private Providers	\$105,100	\$105,000	
Magellan	\$10,000	\$10,000	
Public Policy Center	\$70,000	\$50,000	
NCCG	\$190,000	\$220,000	
Education	\$0	\$25,000	
Prevention	\$100,000	\$75,000	
Licensure App	\$10,000	\$5,000	
Total Contracts	\$1,159,100		
Contract Spending Authority	\$1,162,620	\$1,382,620	

GAP June 2009: DRAFT Budget Recommendations

	FY09 Contract Amount	GAP Recommendations	Committee Recommendations (June 5, 2009)
Agencies	\$674,000	See RFP Team Recommendations	\$ 725,500
Private Providers	\$105,100	\$105,000	\$ 114,500
Magellan	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$ 10,000
Public Policy Center	\$70,000	\$50,000	\$ 50,000
NCCG	\$190,000	\$220,000	\$ 215,000 – \$ 225,000
Education	\$0	\$25,000	\$ 25,000
Prevention	\$100,000	\$75,000	Up to \$ 75,000
Licensure App	\$10,000	\$5,000	Up to \$ 5,000
Total Contracts	\$1,159,100		
Contract Spending Authority	\$1,162,620	\$1,382,620	

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DATE: June 5, 2009

TO: State Committee on Problem Gambling

FROM: Vicki Maca, Community-Based Administrator
Division of Behavioral Health, Department of Health and Human Services

RE: Staff Assignments & Changes for FY 2010

Vicki Maca

There will be changes in staff assignments for Gambling Assistance Program (GAP) in the next Fiscal Year. Eric Hunsberger will be returning to the Division on June 22, 2009 and will be resuming his role as Program Manager for GAP. Maya Chilese, who will be stepping down as Interim GAP Manager upon Eric's return, will remain in GAP assuming the role of Clinical Treatment Coordinator. Nancy Heller will be assisting the Division in another capacity and will no longer be involved with GAP. Abigail Anderson will also be assuming other duties within the Division and will no longer support Eric and Maya in GAP activities. Iliana Martin will be the staff support for Eric and Maya in their efforts with GAP.

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Daniela Myers	471-7797	Daniela.Myers@nebraska.gov

GAP and State Committee on Problem Gambling—DRAFT Calendar of events FY10

First Quarter—July-Sept	Second Quarter—Oct-Dec	Third Quarter—Jan-March	Fourth Quarter—April-June
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State PG Committee

Annual Report review Provider presentations	Funding Request review Updates on CCGC roster Provider 1st Q reports Provider presentation	Funding Request review FY11 planning Provider 2nd Q reports Legislative Breakfast	RFP release FY11 recommendations Updates on CCGC roster Provider 3rd Q reports
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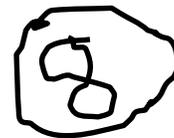
DHHS Gamblers Assistance Program

Scopes of Work due Application for CCGC due Annual Report prep Midwest/ National Conferences Block Grant reporting Regulations Revisions	Certification Advisory Board review of CCGC applications 1st Q review	Audits Applications for CCGC due Licensure Bill proposal FY11 planning 2nd Q review Problem Gambling Month New CCGC requirements	Audits RFP release FY11 contracts FY11 strategic planning Certification Advisory Board review of CCGC applications 3rd Q review
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CCGC Information

CCGC	Counselor	Employment	GAP	Start Date	Current Term & Status	Additional Degrees/ Licensure
1	Hammond, Deb	Choices	yes	02/01/2000	1/31/08-1/31/10	
2	Vogel, Harlen	Heartland	yes	02/01/2000	1/31/08-1/31/10	MS, NCGC II, LPC
3	Kirchner, Konnie		no	02/01/2000	Inactive 1/31/2008	MSW
4	Zitek, Linda		no	02/01/2000	Permanantly Revoked 1/31/2008	BS
5	Sullivan, Michael	Private Provider	yes	02/01/2000	1/31/08-1/31/10	LCSW (LMHP+CMSW)
6	Huebner, Sue	Lutheran Family	yes	02/01/2000	1/31/08-1/31/10	MSED, LMHP, LIMHP
7	Koelling, Kevin		no	02/01/2000	Expired 1/31/2004, Deceased	MA
8	Burger, Michelle		no	01/01/2001	2/1/09-1/31/11	LIMHP, LMHP, NCC
9	Baker, Judy		no	07/11/2001	Expired 6/30/2003, Deceased	MA
10	Holt, Janelle	Heartland	yes	07/01/2001	7/1/08-6/30/10	MSW, LMHP, ADC
11	Lankas, Ed		no	07/01/2001	Expired 6/30/2005	MS
12	Alan, Jace		no	02/01/2002	Expired 1/31/2004	MS
13	Booth, Tom	First Step	yes	02/01/2002	1/31/08-1/31/10	MA, LIMHP, LPC, SPHR
14	Swanson, Wanda	Choices	yes	02/01/2002	1/31/08-1/31/10	
15	Hampton, Betty	Private Provider	yes	02/01/2003	2/1/09-1/31/11	MSE, LMHP, LADC, ICADC, CPC, LIMHP
16	Preitauer, Dawna		no	02/01/2003	Inactive 2/1/2009	LADC
17	Crowther, Lori	Choices	yes	02/01/2004	1/31/08-1/31/10	MS
18	Fricke, Gina	Heartland	yes	02/01/2004	1/31/08-1/31/10	MSW, LCSW, NCGC II
19	Weber, Annette		no	02/01/2004	Expired 1/31/2006	MA
20	Felton, Ron		no	09/01/2004	Expired 8/30/2008	NCGC
21	Gorman, Tanya J.	Heartland	yes	09/01/2004	9/1/08-8/31/10	MS, LADC, ACADC, CRC
22	Spence, Charles	Spence	yes	07/01/2006	7/1/08-6/30/10	MA, LMHP, LMHC
23	Johnson, Janet	Choices	yes	07/01/2006	7/1/08-6/30/10	MA, LMHP, PLADC
24	Chilese, Maya	DHHS	no	07/01/2006	Inactive 6/30/2008	MA, PLMHP
25	Johnson, Lisa	Private Provider	yes	07/01/2006	7/1/08-6/30/10	
26	Hunt, Jean		no	07/01/2006	Inactive 6/30/2008	MS
27	McNeese, Rick	First Step	yes	01/31/2008	1/31/08-1/31/10	MS, PhD
28	Green, Rebecca	Private Provider	yes	01/31/2008	1/31/08-1/31/10	LADC
29	Arntzen, Toni	First Step	yes	10/16/2007	1/31/08-1/31/10	
30	DeNino, Sharon		no	01/31/2008	1/31/08-1/31/10, Deceased	MBA, MAC, LMHP
31	Bauerkemper, Jerry	NCCG	yes	03/01/2009	03/01/09-02/28/11	BA
32	Cornish, Gary	Choices	yes	06/01/2009	06/01/09-05/31/11	BA
33	Landrigan, Richard	Private Provider	yes	06/02/2009	06/01/09-05/31/11	MA, LMHP, LIMHP, CPC

CCGC	Counselor	Employment	GAP	Start Date	Current Term & Status	Additional Degrees/ Licensure
n/a	Walton, Rob	<i>Private Provider</i>	yes		Application Pending	MSE, LMHP, LADC
n/a	Yekel, Joan	<i>CrossRoads</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	MA, LMHP, CPC
n/a	Brunner, Cari	<i>CrossRoads</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	BA, PLADC
n/a	John-Beckstrom, Jolene	<i>First Step</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	MAC, PLMHP
n/a	Sullivan, Erica	<i>First Step</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	MA, LMHP, CPC, PLADC
n/a	Eder, Becky	<i>Choices</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	BS
n/a	Miller, Mark	<i>Spence</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	MSW, LIMSW, LMHP
n/a	Dreyer, Megan	<i>Spence</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	MS, PLMHP
n/a	Sedlacek, Lynn	<i>Heartland</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	MS, LMHP, CPC
n/a	Mendoza, Camilia	<i>Heartland</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	BS
n/a	Messina, Dan	<i>Heartland</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	MS, CADC
n/a	Eberly, Jeremy	<i>Choices</i>	yes		Pursuing CCGC	



LB 286 (Legislative Bill)

The bill removed the sunset date for directing transfers from the State Lottery Operation Trust Fund to the Education Innovation Fund, Nebraska Scholarship Fund, Nebraska Environmental Trust Fund, Nebraska State Fair Board and the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund. The bill also provided that the amount transferred be the greater of the dollar amount transferred in fiscal year 2002-03 or at least 22 percent, but not more than 25 percent, of annual lottery ticket sales.

The bill authorized the tax commissioner and lottery director to transfer available funds exceeding 25 percent of sales.

Status: LB 286 passed on May 7 on a 46-0 vote. The bill contained an emergency clause, so it became law when the governor signed it on May 13.

LR 6CA (Constitutional Amendment)

LR 6CA would place on the 2010 general election ballot a constitutional amendment to allow slot machines at racetracks. The resolution would limit the number of slot machines to 3,500 at a total of seven (7) racetracks. A local opt-in provision would require prior approval or rejection by the governing body of the political subdivision within which the racetrack is located.

The slot machine revenues would be allocated in the following manner:

40% to the Highway Trust Fund.

39% to the gaming licensees to cover operating costs.

10% to enhance prizes for thoroughbred racing.

4% to the local political subdivisions.

2% to the development and improvement of the thoroughbred breeding industry.

2% to the development and improvement of the quarter horse industry, large-animal veterinary medicine and equine therapy.

2% to the State Racing Commission for administrative expenses.

1% to the Compulsive Gamblers Assistance Fund.

Estimated revenues are \$221,000,000.

Status: Still in the General Affairs Committee. Several revisions to the original resolution were discussed, but none was adopted. LR 6CA only received support from three of the eight committee members. It would need five votes to advance for debate by the full Legislature. LR 6CA can still be considered in 2010. However, even if it was advanced by the General Affairs Committee and passed by the Legislature, it might not be possible to prepare the ballot initiative for the November 2010 general election.

LR 157 (Interim Study Resolution)

The purpose of the resolution is to review, assess and provide recommendations relating to the implementation of the Nebraska Health Care Funding Act. The issues to be addressed by the study include, but are not limited to, the distribution of funding under the Act, the outcomes achieved from such funding and the future sustainability of the Nebraska Health Care Fund.

Status: To be studied by the Legislature's Appropriations and Health and Human Services Committees during the 2009 interim (June – December 2009).

ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE

FIRST SESSION

LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 157

Introduced by Gay, 14.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this resolution is to review, assess, and provide recommendations relating to the implementation of the Nebraska Health Care Funding Act. The issues addressed by the study shall include, but not be limited to, the distribution of funding under the act, the outcomes achieved from such funding, and the future sustainability of the Nebraska Health Care Cash Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Appropriations and Health and Human Services Committees of the Legislature shall be designated to conduct a joint interim study to carry out the purposes of this resolution.

2. That the committees shall upon the conclusion of their study make a report of their findings, together with their recommendations, to the Legislative Council or Legislature.

GAP Evaluation Team DRAFT Report—May 2009

Annual Report Format/Content Recommendations:

Two reporting formats utilizing an Annual and Biennial Report Card template

- Annual: a historical perspective summarizing previous fiscal year activities and outcomes
- Biennial: a larger document containing the Annual Report summary as well as a projected strategic vision for the upcoming years.
- Program Report Card content will be categorized by service category; will define service objectives, National Outcome Measure indicators, outcomes and evaluation of activities

Evaluation	Treatment	Helpline	Education/Outreach	Prevention	Workforce Dvlpt.
Magellan data Consumer Survey Provider Reports Fiscal Analysis	Reduced Morbidity Access Retention Perception of Care Cost Effectiveness Social Connectedness Employment Housing Criminal Justice Evidenced Based	Reduced Morbidity Access Retention Evidence Based	Access Social Connectedness Employment Education Access Evidence Based	Reduced Morbidity Access Retention Social Connectedness Evidence Based	Access Retention Evidence Based Cost Effectiveness

SAMHSA Data Strategy

Accountability	Capacity	Effectiveness
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measure and report performance • Track national trends • Establish measurements and reporting systems • Achieve excellence in management practices 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase service availability • Support needs assessment, planning and system improvements • Promote appropriate outreach, assessment and referrals • Support service expansion • Promote consumer choice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improve service quality • Improve client outcomes • Identify and promote evidence based practices • Support recruitment, education and retention of workforce

**Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration
National Outcome Measures (NOMs)**

DOMAIN	OUTCOME	MEASURES		
		Mental Health	Substance Abuse	
			Treatment	Prevention
Patient and Family Involvement	Increased Patient and Family Involvement	Percentage of patients reporting positive perception of care	Percentage of patients reporting positive perception of care	30-day substance use (non-use/reduction in use) ▶ Perceived risk/harm of use ▶ Age of first use ▶ Perception of disapproval/attitude ▶
	Increased Patient and Family Involvement	Percentage of patients reporting positive perception of care	Percentage of patients reporting positive perception of care	NOT APPLICABLE
Employment and Education	Employment and Education	Percentage of patients reporting positive perception of care	Percentage of patients reporting positive perception of care	Perception of workplace policy; ATOD-related suspensions and expulsions; attendance and enrollment ▶
Crime and Criminal Justice	Decreased Criminal Justice Involvement	UNDER DEVELOPMENT	Reduction in/no change in number of arrests in past 30 days from date of first service to date of last service ▶	Alcohol-related car crashes and injuries; alcohol and drug-related crime ▶
Stability in Housing	Increased Stability in Housing	Profile of client's change in living situation (including homeless status) ▶	Increase in/no change in number of clients in stable housing situation from date of first service to date of last service ▶	NOT APPLICABLE
Social Connectedness	Increased Social Supports/Social Connectedness ¹	Clients reporting positively about social connectedness	UNDER DEVELOPMENT	Family communication around drug use ▶
Access/Capacity	Increased Access to Services (Service Capacity)	Number of persons served by age, gender, race and ethnicity ▶	Unduplicated count of persons served; penetration rate; numbers served compared to those in need ▶	Number of persons served by age, gender, race and ethnicity ▶
Retention	Increased Retention in Treatment - Substance Abuse	NOT APPLICABLE	Length of stay from date of first service to date of last service ▶ Unduplicated count of persons served ▶	Total number of evidence-based programs and strategies; percentage youth seeing, reading, watching, or listening to a prevention message ▶
	Reduced Utilization of Psychiatric Inpatient Beds - Mental Health	Decreased rate of readmission to State psychiatric hospitals within 30 days and 180 days ▶	NOT APPLICABLE	NOT APPLICABLE
Perception of Care	Client Perception of Care ²	Clients reporting positively about outcomes ▶	UNDER DEVELOPMENT	NOT APPLICABLE
Cost Effectiveness	Cost Effectiveness (Average Cost) ²	UNDER DEVELOPMENT	UNDER DEVELOPMENT	Services provided with cost bands ▶
Use of Evidence-Based Practices	Use of Evidence-Based Practices ²	UNDER DEVELOPMENT	UNDER DEVELOPMENT	Total number of evidence-based programs and strategies ▶

¹ For ATR, "Social Support of Recovery" is measured by client participation in voluntary recovery or self-help groups, as well as interaction with family and/or friends supportive of recovery.

² Required by 2003 OMB PART Review.