Anyone Can Have A Gambling Addiction

Through **hope** and **help**, a brighter tomorrow is on the horizon.

When Is It Time To Get Help?

If you answer "yes" to any of the following questions, it is time to get help.

- 1. Have you ever felt the need to gamble with increasing amounts of money in order to achieve the desired excitement?
- Have you ever felt restless or irritable when attempting to cut down or stop gambling?
- 3. Have you made repeated unsuccessful efforts to control, cut down or stop gambling?
- 4. Are you often preoccupied with gambling (i.e., having persistent thoughts of reliving past gambling experiences, thinking of ways to get money with which to gamble)?
- 5. Do you often gamble when feeling anxious, distressed or depressed?
- 6. After losing money gambling, do you often return another day to win it back?

- 7. Have you ever lied to conceal the extent of your involvement in gambling?
- 8. Has gambling jeopardized or negatively impacted a significant relationship, job or career opportunity?
- 9. Have you relied on others to provide money to relieve desperate financial situations caused by gambling?

Source: Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fifth Edition

How to Get Free Help in Missouri

Help is available for problem gamblers and their loved ones.

Call:

1-888-BETSOFF (1-888-238-7633) Confidential and professional statewide help line available 24 hours per day, seven days per week

Email:

freehelp@888betsoff.org

Visit:

888betsoff.org; and gamblersanonymous.org

Self-exclude:

Lottery - (573) 751-4050 Casino - (573) 526-4080