

# INTERNET GAMBLING

Internet gambling is one of the fastest growing industries in the country with thousands of people logging on to the Internet each day in hopes of winning money and having fun.



## DANGERS OF INTERNET GAMBLING

Electronic gambling can be more addictive than other types of gambling due to the frequent opportunities to gamble and the rapid reinforcement.

**THE GAMES MAY NOT BE FAIR** - Except for the outcomes of media reported sporting events, you have no way of knowing if the games are fair. Also, there is no recourse if you are not paid or if there is a dispute, as online gambling is illegal in the United States and the websites are in foreign countries.

**ONLINE GAMBLING IS ADDICTIVE** - Online gambling is a solitary activity, in which it is possible to gamble at any time for long hours without interruption. Gambling on credit in the virtual reality of cyberspace can lead to an addictive gambling pattern.

**YOU CAN RUIN YOUR CREDIT** - Most online gambling requires the use of a credit card. Running up credit card debt can ruin your credit rating and make it difficult to meet your financial responsibilities.

If you or someone you care about has problems resulting from online gambling, please call the

**PROBLEM GAMBLING HELPLINE**

1-800- 346-6238

1-800-34-NO BET