

# PROBLEM GAMBLING TREATMENT & SUPPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE (PGTSAC)

## Minutes - Draft

**DATE/TIME:** Tuesday, January 28, 2025 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM ET

**LOCATION:** All Virtual – Recording <https://youtu.be/bBOEJbJpyro>

**Members:**

Anne Rogers, Chairperson – PG Prevention Coordinator, Office of Behavioral Health Wellness	x	
Carolyn Hawley PhD, Vice-Chair – President of VCPG	x	
Jennifer Mullen/Ray Dunkle back up to Khalid R. Jones – Executive Director, Va. Lottery	x	
Michael Menefee – Program Manager of Charitable and Regulatory Programs	x	
Waqas Ahmed – Executive Secretary, Va. Racing Commission	x	
Jim Bebeau – Executive Director of Danville Pittsylvania CSB		x
Colleen Carraccio – Director of Compliance, Portsmouth Rivers Casino	x	
Rodney Miles – Director of Compliance, Colonial Downs	x	
Chrissy Thurmond – Head of Responsible Gaming Relations, DraftKings		x
Charitable Gaming Representative - Vacant		

**Others:** Tom Dozier, Don McCourtney, Wendy Hunt, Emma Freeman, Conrad Wash, Willard Robertson, Sean Fournia, Jennifer Davis-Walton, Azeem Majeed, Elizabeth Childress, Julie Rutter, Dwayne Delaney, Sondra Dean, Nic Suarez, Terance Kevin Cottrell, Tammy McIntyre, Lisa Cochran, Amelia Morrison, Matthew Britt, Kelly Glass, Ari Laoch, Ben Choate, Alexis Adams

- I. Welcome – Meeting began at 10:01 am. Attendance taken, two members are absent.
- II. Minutes of Last Meeting for Approval –No discussion or edits suggested. Due to being all virtual, current FOIA rules require a quorum in person to vote, so no vote occurred.
- III. Presentation from Julie Rutter Director of Compliance and RG at Hard Rock Casino, Bristol. Presented on their Responsible Gambling program and their connections and collaborations with other organizations in the community. To see the slides and presentation view the recording of the meeting.
- IV. Legislative Bills – A list of gambling and gaming related bills was presented on screen with a status overview of the bills given by members of the various oversight agencies, to include Michael Menefee, Jennifer Mullen, and Waqas Ahmed. Anne Rogers also shared out communication DBHDS had with appropriations to try to fix the language in appropriation to allow spending of revenues in the problem gambling treatment and support fund. See the recording for full details.
- V. Lottery Voluntary Self Exclusion – This was presented by Mr. Dunkle. Sharing statewide totals of those on the exclusion list, including breakdown by length, gender, age and region. See recording for full presentation.
- VI. Help line Data – Dr. Hawley provided information on how the numbers have increased since 2019 to the helpline, as well as changes to what types of gambling people are calling in about that they have had issues on. She also provided information on the Partnership for Gaming and Health – the work they have been doing, rates of people moving on to services, and follow-up
- VII. DBHDS Projects Update – Dr. McCourtney presented on what Recovery services have been doing to include scheduling monthly learning calls, this years Recovery Conference will have a keynote speaker on Problem Gambling, working on training and endorsements to become a CPRS (Certified Peer Recovery Specialist). Ms Rogers presented on the work prevention has been doing to include curriculum development, dashboard development, and presenting and funding educational session. See the recording for more detailed information
- VIII. Wrap-up & Adjourn – Meeting ended 11:22. Next meeting is in-person 4/28/25 10:00-12:00. <https://dbhds.virginia.gov/pgts-committee/>