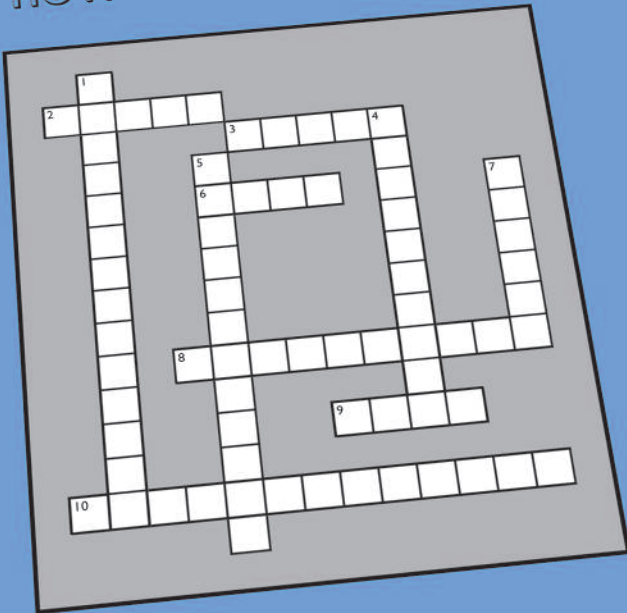


# Betting on Older Adults:

## A Problem Gambling Awareness Kit

### GAMBLE SCRAMBLE

#### HOW GAMBLING WORKS



5. Casino coins that sometimes are used to slot machines.

6. An amount of money, or anything of value being bet on an uncertain outcome.

7. The amount a bet pays, for example 2 -1; 5 -2

8. The actual odds of winning i.e. 1 in 10,000.

9. The amount of money a gambling enterprise takes in profits after payment of prizes and taxes.

10. The possibility of losing an amount of money or anything of value that is bet on the outcome of an event, contest, game or machine.

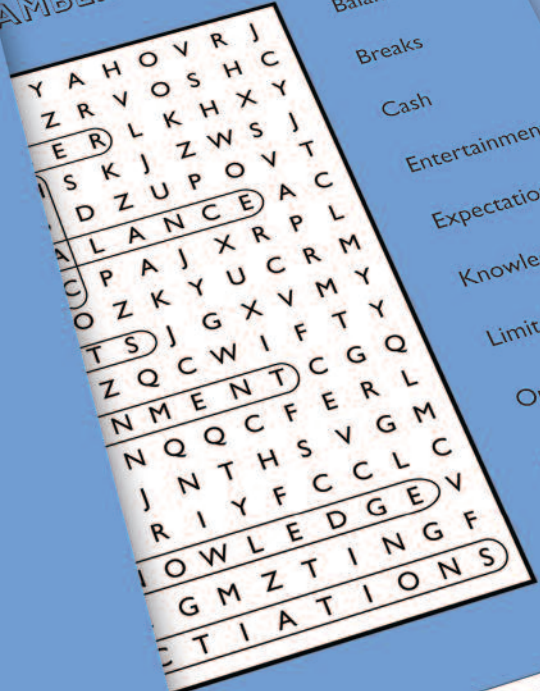
11. The limits and maximums that can be wagered on a bet.

#### Down

- Also known as the "edge". The advantage the casino or house has over the player in any game.
- Lacking a definite pattern. All casino games are based on the fact that no one can predict what will happen next.
- The random number generator, which is inside a slot machine and VLT machine. It is constantly generating thousands of numbers every second.
- Something that happens unpredictably without a specific purpose or observable cause.

12. The amount of money a gambling enterprise takes in profits after payment of prizes and taxes.

### GAMBLING FUN



- Balance
- Breaks
- Cash
- Entertainment
- Expectations
- Knowledge
- Limits
- Openness
- Record
- Stop

feeling; but remind yourself that it may never ha

deration.  
the bathroom.  
don't spend more time or money than in  
money you are spending on gambling  
and bank cards at home.  
not as a way to make money.  
gambling -- learn about odds, cons  
but your gambling at all times.

# GAMBLE SCRAMBLE®

## A Collection of Gambling Awareness Games

### Goal

To provide prevention and awareness information to older adults about gambling safely and problematic gambling in a fun, interactive and educational approach.

### Materials Needed

- Copies of Gamble Scramble®
- Answer Sheet
- Pencils

### Method

Gamble Scramble® is a collection of crossword puzzles and word searches. These tools can be used in a variety of ways and the following are just a few suggestions.

1. In group presentations, Gamble Scramble® can be used as a warm up exercise. Group members receive their own puzzle to complete.
2. In larger groups, divide members into smaller groups, provide each group with a different topic. Upon completion of puzzle, provide each group a flip chart and ask members to list some of the main highlights that they are taking away with them. What are the important points they feel the other group members need to know about? Have the groups present their lists to the larger group.
3. Leave a variety of Gamble Scramble® puzzles in waiting areas for clients to complete while waiting for appointments.
4. Place Gamble Scramble® in senior newspapers, newsletters, and bulletins.
5. Although Gamble Scramble® was developed for use with older adults, some of the puzzles are effective tools when delivering prevention and awareness presentations to participants in a variety of settings (i.e. recovery homes, casinos, treatment centers and health fairs). This tool can be used with all age groups.

Please let us know how you have used Gamble Scramble® in your agency.