

SIGNS OF A PROBLEM SPORTS GAMBLER

Is someone you know...?

- Excessively using Internet or making phone calls to 900-number services.
- Obsessing with point spreads or "fantasy" scores.
- Unusually interested in obscure games or shifting of allegiances of teams.
- Associating with other sports bettors.
- Frequently borrowing money from friends or family.
- Defensive when questioned about gambling behavior.
- Acquiring debts, unpaid bills, financial troubles.
- Desiring to bet again to win back losses, after already losing.

Did You Know...?

Nevada and Oregon are the only states where sports betting is legal (only the State Lottery form in Oregon is legal). In 1999, it was estimated that as much \$380 billion each year is illegally wagered on sporting events (NORC, 1999).

If any of these statements sound like someone you know, that person may have a problem with sports gambling.

Help is confidential and it works, call:

**The Council on Compulsive Gambling of PA Helpline at
1-800-GAMBLER or 1-800-848-1880**

Don't wait for the problem to get worse!

