

Keynote presentation

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Looking forward: Exploring new avenues to improve our clinical services to problem gamblers

This key note presentation will first describe our progress in the treatment of pathological gamblers over the last two decades. We will then discuss different issues that we agree on and what we don't necessarily agree on. The goal of treatment will be re-examined in the context of controlled gambling instead of abstinence. We will then discuss the clinical usefulness of notion of loss of control in the assessment and treatment of pathological gamblers. Concluding remarks will raise new avenues in order to provide a better help to problem gamblers.