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Educate Yourself or Your Team - Professional Development Grants Available!

To help build the capacity of Nova Scotians to address problem gambling in their communities, the Nova Scotia Gaming Foundation is pleased to offer **Professional Development Grants**. Staff members and/or volunteers of community organizations, groups, and agencies in Nova Scotia are eligible for two types of professional development grants: team and individual.

Both individual and team **Professional Development Grants** are awarded on an ongoing basis throughout the year; therefore, interested parties may apply at any time!

Individual Grants

The NSGF sponsors staff members or volunteers of community organizations to take *Fundamental Concepts of Problem Gambling*, an online course available through ProblemGambling.ca. This five-week course provides participants with a practical understanding of gambling and problem gambling.

Team Grants

Team grants are intended to build the capacity of service providers to address problem gambling in Nova Scotian communities. Activities must therefore be designed to meet this goal, and organizations must submit written proposals for their intended training sessions. Examples of eligible Team Grant training activities include the following:

- A half- or full- day “Gambling 101” workshop for staff and/or volunteers
- A workshop to increase clinicians’ skills in interventions, addictions treatment, and case management for people experiencing gambling disorders
- A half- or full- day course for service providers on motivational interviewing techniques for eliciting motivation to change problem gambling behaviour

Half-day training sessions are eligible for up to \$500 in funding, while full-day training sessions may be funded up to \$1000.

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Until next time,
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