

# **Gambling addiction may follow national wave of sports betting**

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Advocates for responsible gaming are worried that addictive gambling behavior could balloon with the arrival of nationwide sports wagering.

And the state lawmakers who could make a difference by requiring the implementation of new programs aren't doing much to help.

"With the exception of New Jersey, none of the states that have either drafted bills or moved forward, including Delaware, have come close to adopting even one of our recommendations," said Keith Whyte, executive director of the National Council on Problem Gambling, based in Washington.

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