

ANNOUNCEMENT

New research funded by Responsible Gambling Trust (RGT) into young people, gambling and gambling-related harm.

London, July 13: The Responsible Gambling Trust (RGT) has commissioned Dr David Keatley at the University of Lincoln to undertake research into young people in relation to gambling and gambling-related harm. Dr Keatley will be supported by co-investigators at the University of Nottingham to examine the effects of the availability of gambling products, including areas of category D gaming machines, as well as the long-term impact of gambling-related harm and comorbid behaviours on young people.

Following an open invitation to tender in March 2016, the bids were evaluated by RGT's Independent Research Oversight Panel and the decision was made to award the tender to Dr Keatley and his team of Researchers in Behaviour Sequence Analysis (ReBSA) by the RGT Research Committee.

Marc Etches, Chief Executive of the Responsible Gambling Trust, said: "I am delighted that we are funding this study about the complexity of young people's gambling-related harm and comorbid behaviours and interactions, in an accessible way for a wide range of stakeholders and interested parties."

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- The Responsible Gambling Trust is the leading charity in the UK committed to minimising gambling-related harm. As an independent national charity funded by donations from the gambling industry, the Responsible Gambling Trust funds education, prevention and treatment services and commissions research to broaden public understanding of gambling-related harm. The aim is to stop people getting into problems with their gambling, and ensure that those that do develop problems receive fast and effective treatment and support. Click here to find out more: <http://www.responsiblegamblingtrust.org.uk/>
- The Responsible Gambling Trust raises over £7 million each year in voluntary contributions from the gambling industry operating in Great Britain. This donation based system was proposed under the Gambling Act 2005 and is prescribed by the Gambling Commission in its Licence Conditions and Codes of Practice.
- The Responsible Gambling Trust's programme of treatment, education, harm prevention and research are guided by the National Responsible Gambling Strategy, which is defined by the independent

Responsible Gambling Strategy Board (RGSB) and endorsed by the Gambling Commission. The RGSB, the Gambling Commission and RGT work together under the terms of an agreement in place since 2012: <http://www.responsiblegamblingtrust.org.uk/media/1216/statementofintent.pdf>. Research is conducted under the terms of a 'Research Commissioning and Governance Procedure' agreed in 2016 by the RGSB, the Gambling Commission and RGT: <http://www.responsiblegamblingtrust.org.uk/media/1270/research-commissioning-and-governance-procedure-may-2016-final.pdf>.