

**SUMMARY OF STANDARDS AND REQUIREMENTS**  
**CERTIFIED INDIGENOUS SPECIALIST (mental health, wellness or addictions) Level IV**  
**Responsible Gambling Specialization (CIAS IV-RG)**

**Work experience**

- This Certification is available to applicants who can demonstrate recent remunerated work experience in treating clients with problematic gambling issues within a residential or community-based setting for at least **six months (1000 hours) PLUS** at least **3 years (6000 hours) of previous experience** in the wellness/addictions field.
- It is also available to applicants who is already certified with ICBOC as Indigenous Certified Addictions Specialists at level III (ICAS III), or Certified Indigenous Addictions Prevention Specialists at level III (CIAPS III), provided they demonstrate at least **350 hours (equivalent to 10 weeks) of direct services to clients with** gambling problems (either as part of their current work responsibilities or through verified volunteer work or both).

**Level of education** | Level III accepted, or a combination of academic qualifications, experience and training

<b>Education/training Specific to Responsible Gambling (Focus on Indigenous perspectives)</b>	<b>160 hours min.</b>
Knowledge of Problem Gambling	20
Social, political economic and cultural context for problem gambling in the Indigenous population	20
Psychoeducation	20
Therapeutic strategies	20
Problem Gambling Assessment	20
Problem Gambling Treatment	20
Problem Gambling Case Management	20
Ethical Perspectives related to Problem Gambling	20

<b>Education/training related to responsible gambling or other dependencies</b> (one or a combination of the topics below - this list is not exhaustive or in order of priority)	<b>60 hours. min.</b>
Gambling and other disorders	New trends in gambling
Youth and gambling	Cultural aspects of gambling
Women and gambling	Historical aspects of indigenous gambling
Seniors and gambling	Gambling and violence
Youth and gambling	Bingo and other social gaming
Internet gambling	Any topics related to addictions or wellness
Remote and self help interventions	Pharmacological treatments
Brain stimulation approach	Emerging treatment modalities

<b>Special counselling techniques and approaches</b>		<b>30 hrs. min.</b>
Motivational interviewing (6 hours minimum)		
Any other counselling technique & approach relevant to responsible/problem gambling		

**Demonstrated expertise** (applicant must submit two documents)

- A research **OR** position paper (2000 to 3000 words) **OR** one-day workshop/course **AND**
- A case study/intervention narrative (1000 to 2000 words), drawn from first-hand experience

<b>Evaluation of competencies related to Responsible Gambling</b>	<b>Supervisor's score</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communication</li> <li>• Gambling, Addictions and Mental Health</li> <li>• Prevention Strategies</li> <li>• Trauma-informed Counselling</li> <li>• Crisis intervention</li> <li>• Teamwork</li> <li>• Self-care</li> </ul>	70% minimum
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cultural approaches</li> <li>• Professional integrity</li> </ul>	70% minimum

**Recertification Requirements**

Every two years 40 hours of new training related to Responsible Gambling (10 hours of specialization-specific education + 20 hours of specialization-related education)