

Gambling Assessment Module (GAM) Information Supplement

August 7, 2001

A. FOCUS GROUPS AND PRE-TESTING

We completed 10 separate groups with nearly 50 respondents of varying demographic and risk profiles. Formal pretesting was completed August 12, 2000. We are conducting bench tests of the latest revision and making final revisions accordingly.

B. THE GAM-IV ASSESSMENT

We are currently revising the paper-pen GAM-IV for computerization. Periodically check this site for updates on its development.

GAM-IV Manuals

The Crosswalk, Specification, and Algorithm Manuals continue to be in various stages of development at this time.

C. GAM-IV DEVELOPMENT: PHASE II

Click on 'Projects' then 'GAM' for more information on our NIDA study (DA00430) to establish the psychometric properties of the GAM-IV

D. RESEARCH DISSEMINATION

Below is a list of publications/presentations of the GAM-IV PI for the period June 1, 1999 – June 30, 2001. For a full CV, please visit the faculty directory and see 'Renee Cunningham-Williams, PhD'.

1. Peer-reviewed Publications

Cunningham-Williams, R.M., Cottler, L.B., Compton, W.M., Desmond, D., Wechsberg, W., Zule, W., Deichler, P. Reaching and enrolling drug users for HIV prevention: A Multi-Site Analysis; *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 54:1: 1-10, 1999.

Compton, W.M., Cottler, L.B., Ben-Abdallah, A., Cunningham-Williams, R.M., Spitznagel, E L. The effects of psychiatric comorbidity on response to an HIV prevention intervention. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 58(3): 247-257, 2000.

Cunningham-Williams, R.M., Cottler, LB, , Compton, W.M., Spitznagel, E., Ben-Abdallah, A. Problem gambling and psychiatric disorders among substance users recruited from drug treatment and from the community. *J of Gambling Studies*; Volume 16 (In Press, 2000)

Cunningham-Williams, R.M., Cottler, L.B. Epidemiology of Pathological Gambling. Seminars in clinical Neuropsychiatry, In Press, Vol 6 (3), June 2001.

2. Other Publications: Chapters, Letters to the editor, Manuals, Interviews

Cottler, L.B., Reich, WR, Rourke, K, Cunningham-Williams, R.M., Compton, WM. Assessing need for mental health service use among children 4 through 8 years old. In G. Andrews and S. Henderson (Eds.) Unmet Need in Psychiatry. New York: Cambridge University Press; 2000.

Cottler, L.B., Cunningham-Williams, R.M., Gambling: Debunking the Myths. [Op-Ed] St. Louis Post-Dispatch, March 2, 2000.

3. Complete list of Scientific Presentations

- 2001 Cunningham-Williams, R.M. Assessment Development Methodology: The GAM-IV Project. Research Methods Course, GWB School of Social Work, Doctoral Program, Washington University, June 28.
- 2001 Cunningham-Williams, R.M. Epidemiology of Pathological Gambling. Presenter and Symposium Co-Chair. College on Problems of Drug Dependence, Scottsdale, AZ, June 19.
- 2001 Meeks C, Cottler LB, Stoner B, Cunningham-Williams RM, Compton WM, Ben-Abdallah A. STDs among out-of-treatment substance abusing women enrolled in a community prevention study. College on Problems of Drug Dependence, Scottsdale, AZ, June 18. [Poster]
- 2001 Ridenour TA, Cottler LB, Sheth JK, Compton WM, Spitznagel EL, Cunningham-Williams RM. Is there a developmental progression from abuse disorders to dependence disorders? College on Problems of Drug Dependence, Scottsdale, AZ, June 18. [Poster]
- 2001 Cunningham-Williams, R.M. Pathological Gambling: An emerging area of research. Washington University School of Medicine, Epidemiology Seminar, May 14.
- 2001 Cunningham-Williams, R.M., Cottler, LB, Compton, WM, Ben-Abdallah, A. , Spitznagel, E.L. Problem gambling and cocaine dependence: Implications for diagnostic screening. American Society of Addiction Medicine, Los Angeles, CA, April 19-22. [Dr. **Cunningham-Williams awarded 2001 Young Investigator Award**]
- 2001 Cottler, LB, Cunningham-Williams, RM, Meeks, C. Public Health Psychiatry. Washington University School of Medicine, Research Mini-Course: Outcomes. Dept. of Psychiatry, April 11, 2001.

- 2001 Cunningham-Williams, RM. Interdisciplinary Addictions Research: The Need for a Social Work Perspective. Launch of the newly-funded NIDA Center for Comorbidity and Addictions Research (CAC), GWB School of Social Work, Washington Univ., April 2.
- 2000 Cunningham -Williams, RM. Assessment issues in Problem Gambling Research: Apples & Oranges? Invited Presentation, National Center for Responsible Gaming, Las Vegas, NV, December 3-5.
- 2000 Cunningham-Williams, RM, Landmarks in Psychiatric Epidemiology, Residents Series, Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO. November 14, 2000 and December 19.
- 2000 Cunningham-Williams, RM, Cottler, LB, Compton, WM, Ben-Abdallah, A., Spitznagel, E.L. Subtypes of pathological gambling among drug abusers: Exploring comorbid associations. College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD), San Juan, PR, June 17-22.
- 2000 Cottler, LB, Cunningham-Williams, RM, Compton, WM, Ridenour, TA, Ben-Abdallah, A. Public health measures to reduce crack/cocaine use among women not in treatment. College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD), San Juan, PR, June 17-22.
- 2000 Compton, WM, Horton, JC, Cottler, LB, Booth, R., Leukefeld, C., Singer, M., Cunningham-Williams, RM, Reich, W. Can drug users obtain syringes over-the-counter (OTC): A Multi-site trial. College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD), San Juan, PR, June 17-22.
- 2000 Cunningham-Williams, RM, Cottler, LB, Mangiaforte, S. The Development of the Gambling Assessment Module (GAM-IV). 11th International Conference on Gambling and Risk-Taking, Las Vegas, NV, June 12-16.
- 2000 Cunningham-Williams, RM. Assessment Issues in Problem Gambling. Psychiatry Grand Rounds, Washington University School of Medicine, April 25.
- 1999 Cunningham-Williams, RM. The GAM-IV Project: Who, What, When, Where, What Next? 1st Annual Missouri Responsible Gaming Awareness Week. MO Alliance To Curb Compulsive Gambling. St. Louis, MO, August 2.
- 1999 Cunningham-Williams, RM. Comorbid Gambling and Psychiatric Disorders. National Council on Problem Gambling, Detroit, Michigan, June 2-5.