

# Towards understanding interactions between a social determinant of health and gambling by Indigenous women

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# Social determinants of health

- Poor health linked to poverty and economic disadvantage
- Colonialism
- Gender
- Loss of status
- Violence
- Poverty cycle
- Aim – to examine one Indigenous-specific social determinant of health ‘poor health linked to poverty and economic disadvantage’ and Indigenous women’s interactions with gambling particularly in coping with health inequity

# Gambling

- Vulnerability to social trauma
- Motivations for gambling
- Delicate balance between –
- The draw of gambling & relief it may provide,  
&
- Increasing risks
  
- Conclusion – understanding ways that groups of women interact with gambling to cope with inequity & social trauma may reveal strategies that help to heal/resolve some of these issues.

