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PARRAMATTA NSW 2150

Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: TRINH THI NGUYEN (D.O.B. 1.01.1970)**

This report is prepared for use in court proceedings at the request of Trinh Thi Nguyen (“Trinh”).

I am aware that Trinh is required to attend court on <date> in relation to her overpayment of benefits from Centrelink.

**Backgound**

Trinh’s family came to Australia as refugees. She did not have a happy childhood and she found it hard to make friends.

Trinh has gambled heavily on poker machines since she was a teenager and has tried unsuccessfully to stop gambling in the past. Gambling on poker machines gave her a way to escape her worries.

**Presenting Issues**

Trinh is worried about the court proceedings and the possibility of going to prison. She felt trapped by her addiction and her difficult financial situation. She reported significant shame around her gambling behaviour.

**Treatment**

Treatment addressed Trinh’s urges to gamble and her belief that she would be able to win back her losses.

<describe treatment provided>

**Outcomes**

Trinh self-excluded from all local poker machine venues with the support of this service. Trinh stated that she no longer believes that she will be able to win back her gambling losses by continuing her gambling. Trinh is now in an active stage of behaviour change and I am hopeful that she will maintain her progress.

I have read the Expert Witness Code of Conduct and agree to be bound by it.

Please do not hesitate to contact the writer for further information.

Your sign-off and relevant credentials, e.g.

Yours sincerely

Name Surname

Counsellor

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