



Recovery Dialects

Mutual Aid Meetings

In Public

With Clients

Medical Settings

Journalists

Addict



Alcoholic



Substance Abuser



Opioid Addict



Relapse



Medication Assisted Treatment



Medication Assisted Recovery



Person w/ a Substance Use Disorder



Person w/ an Alcohol Use Disorder



Person w/ an Opioid Use Disorder



Long-term Recovery



Pharmacotherapy



Language matters but can change depending on the setting we are in. Choosing when and where to use certain language and labels can help reduce stigma and discrimination towards substance use and recovery.



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