



Kennebunk Savings

SAY THIS NOT THAT

SAFE LANGUAGE TO USE WHEN TALKING ABOUT SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

SAY

Person with a substance use disorder

Person in recovery

Person living with an addiction

Person with a felony

Had a reoccurrence

Maintained recovery

Positive/ negative drug screen

Using medication as a recovery tool

Substance use



NOT

Addict/ Junkie/ Druggie/ Alcoholic

Ex-addict

Battling/suffering from addiction

Felon

Relapsed

Stayed clean

Dirty/ clean drug screen

Using medication as a crutch

Substance abuse

