

Recovery Story Guidelines

Authorization Form

- Please fill out the authorization and send it attached to your recovery story. Stories and authorization forms can be emailed to XXX or mailed to: XXX
- Stories that are not accompanied by an authorization form will not be published.

Word Count

- Please try to limit stories to approximately XXX words

Language

- We want this guide to have a positive impact on the community and set an example in regards to the destigmatizing language we use surrounding substance use disorder. ○ Beyond Influence has provided a quick guide and explanation of the type of language we would prefer you use throughout your stories. It can be found attached to this email.

**It is important to note. Although we would prefer you to use the recommended, destigmatizing language provided by [source], [RCO] will not edit or change any language in your story. We respect how individuals in recovery self-identify, and applaud you for your success in your recovery.

Anonymity

- [RCO] respects your right to privacy. If you do not wish to be directly identified we encourage you to not use your name or any identifiers that could jeopardize your identity. Examples of generic signatures can be found below...

- “Person in long term recovery.”

- “Your fellow community member.”
- “Your neighbor.”

*Please respect the anonymity of others.

Due Date

- Please have your recovery story and authorization form completed and returned no later than [date].