

## LANGUAGE MATTERS



**NADA**  
network of alcohol and  
other drugs agencies



**Summary:** Language Matters is a quick guide for how AOD (alcohol and other drug) workers can use language when discussing alcohol and other drugs to empower clients. It promotes the use of person-centred language and aims to decrease stigma associated with AOD use. It is intended for use by the non government AOD sector.

**Developers:** This resource was developed by the Network of Alcohol and other Drugs Agencies (NADA) and the NSW Users and AIDS Association (NUAA), in consultation with non government AOD workers and people who use drugs.

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**Evidence base:** This resource has undergone expert review. Refer to the resource for full reference list.



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