

Confidentiality is one of the most important things we offer survivors. Some people do not wish to have their health status be public knowledge, and it is important to respect this in order to maintain our safe space. As such, we have not allowed taking photographs or making recordings at any of our support meetings, including Sebastian. Even if no survivor is recognizable in a photograph, the act of taking the photograph can make a person feel less safe. This practice also extends to any survivors-only activities that happen at Friendship House. Events beyond our four monthly support meetings when the public also is welcome are considered public events, and the restriction is not necessary. For our programming that happens outside of Friendship House, please ask the survivors their permission before shooting any photos.