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Definition: A disposition of a material entity or a process to cause addiction to it.

Comment: This is a quantitative entity that is only meaningful when operationalised in terms of the proportion of people who are exposed who become addicted, the mode of use, the severity of addiction and any other contextual factors that may be in play. Addictiveness can be a disposition of material entity such as a chemical substance or a process such as gambling behaviour.

This definition was imported from the Addiction Ontology (see <https://addictovocab.org/>). Comments and suggestions for improvements are welcome using the Qeios review system.

Definitions imported from the Addiction Ontology (AddictO) are what are known as ‘ontological definitions’. See this article in Qeios for an explanation <https://www.qeios.com/read/YGIF9B>.

Ontological definitions can sometimes be hard to read. In those cases we also include an informal definition.

Definitions also often require elaboration to make it clear how they should be used and what they include. In those cases we include a comment.

Also, definitions sometimes require an explanation as to how they came about to help users understand how they relate to alternative definitions. In those cases we include a curator note.