Harm reduction behaviour

Addiction Ontology

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Definition: A substance use behaviour pattern that involves continuing to use a substance while changing the type of substance, formulation of the substance or the amount or manner of use of the substance with the aim of reducing the harm caused.

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.