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# Belief that a behaviour is forbidden

Behaviour Change Intervention Ontology (BCIO)

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**Definition:** A that a behaviour must not occur.

**Comment:** The two entities 'belief that a behaviour is forbidden' and 'belief about choice over a behaviour' are different. 'Belief about choice over a behaviour' refers to whether a person believes that they are free to choose to perform or not perform a behaviour. This freedom might arise from a lack of opportunity or rules. 'Belief that a behaviour is forbidden' is specifically about whether there are rules about not performing a behaviour.

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

*Definitions imported from the Behaviour Change Intervention Ontology (BCIO) 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.*

