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# Reproductive behaviour

Behaviour Change Intervention Ontology (BCIO)

## Source

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**Definition:** An individual human behaviour that involves producing offspring based on combining DNA of two or more people.

**Comment:** The classes 'reproductive behaviour' and 'sexual behaviour' have some instances in which they would overlap. For instance, a subclass of both of these classes would be 'reproductive sexual behaviour'. Examples for 'reproductive sexual behaviour' can be annotated by using the two classes: 'reproductive behaviour' and 'sexual behaviour'. There are also various examples in which the classes 'reproductive behaviour' does not overlap with sexual behaviour. For instance, fertility preservation would be a reproductive behaviour but not a sexual behaviour. Similarly, various sexual behaviours do not have a reproductive function. For instance, performing oral sex may not have a reproductive function.

*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.*