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# Self-identity

Addiction Ontology

## Source

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**Definition:** An identity that a person has about themselves.

**Comment:** The cognitive representation includes multiple aspects and some of these are social. For example, group memberships, cultural norms. Collective identity as a shared attribute of group is related to this but is separate.

**Curator note:** The term 'self' sounds tautologous but is required to reflect the fact that this is not identity in terms of who you are but how you represent yourself to yourself.

*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.*