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The evaluation of the nutritional status has become an important tool of health care and health promotion as it renders possible to define possible deviations from the adequate status, and thus to prevent later more important medical problems in later life. Under field conditions, basic morphological characteristics such as height and weight, and derived indicators such as body mass index are implemented.

As recommended by World Health Organization, it is desirable to use standards based on the measurement of a particular local population, as the average values of the abovementioned characteristics may vary considerably, and the evaluations using inadequate standards may result in spurious conclusions.

Therefore, it is necessary to appreciate the elaboration of standard values of the somatic development and nutritional status for North Bačka Region children. The study executed by Dr.M.Pavlović used methodological approaches recommended by World Health Organization. The measurements include a satisfactory number of children aged 1 to 18 years; statistical analysis was also appropriate for the aims of the study. The conclusions of the study are therefore adequate, and the standards can serve also for practical evaluations of the nutritional status of Yugoslav children.

The book is an important theoretical and practical contribution to the health development of children.

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