Psychosocial aspects of obesity

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The influence of psychosocial factors on obesity was discovered, test questionnaires were answered by 30 women (W) and 13 men (M), divided in two groups: group with normal BMI<25kg/m² (A), and the second group of obese subjects with BMI>30 kg/m² (B).

Educational level and success in education was higher in W (83,33%) and M (33,33%) in A compared to W (44,44%) and M (14,29%) in B. Satisfaction of their work is higher in A: 90%W and 80%M compared to B: 66,67%W and 60%M. We aren't satisfied from their colleagues relationships in 71,43%W and in 33,33%M, and not satisfied from the quality of their job, 42,86%W and 66,67%M. Feeling stress during their working activities was estimated in B (58,73% W) compared to A (36,3% M), and 20%M of both groups. The possibility of relaxation at home is significantly lower in B: 22%W and 14,29%M compared to A: 58,33%W and 66,67%M. Subjects in B consider negative the influence of their immediate surrounding, in 86,67%W and 100%M, disabling them in their psychosocial adaptation in the society. M have opinion that the other people make fun of their obesity in 67%. W don't share that opinion. Educational level and success in education and their work was lower in obese, their non adaptation to immediate surrounding and its negative influence to them was higher. It is confirmed that obesity is connected with many psychosocial problems.

Biography

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