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# Georgia Southern Examines Abdominal Adiposity and Caregiver Recall

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A collaborative study including Dr. Yelena N. Tarasenko, Assistant Professor of Health Policy and Management at the Jiann-Ping Hsu College of Public Health Georgia Southern University examines Abdominal Adiposity and Caregiver Recall of Healthcare Provider Identification of Child Overweight in the United States, 2001-2010. This was an observational study using a nationally representative sample of 14,694 children (2–15 years of age) from the 2001–2010 National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey. Proxy respondents (i.e., caregivers) for 4906 overweight or obese (BMI $\geq$ 85th percentile) children reported whether a healthcare provider (HCP) had ever told them that their child was overweight. Multi-variable logistic regression analyses were used to examine associations between reported HCP identification of overweight and child sociodemographic and anthropometric characteristics.

Results indicate that over 75% of caregivers of overweight or obese children did not recall being notified of their child's weight status by an HCP, though this proportion has decreased over the past decade. A significant waist circumference by weight status interaction indicated abdominal adiposity was positively associated with reported HCP identification for obese children, but not for overweight children.

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