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Subject: Query regarding child BMI standard deviation  
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I am doing PhD in equity in child health in the context of India and I am using DHS (2015-16) database of India. I want to use BMI standard deviation (hw73) as one of the need based factor for care seeking. But I did not get any cut off point to categorize it as it use to be in adolescents. Hence,I seek your kind help in this regard. I wanted to know whether I can use it as a need based factor for child health as we use it in maternal health. And if i can use it then what could be the possible cut-off point. Kindly provide me your valuable suggestions.

Eager to hear from you.

With best regards  
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