Abstract

The goal of this work is to provide an insight into the history of ADHD in global consequences, internationally and with special attention to Czech countries. With a contribution of broad number of literature the work is looking for answers on questions: Where and when had the diagnosis of ADHD appeared for the first time and what was it precise meaning? How the term itself and its content changed in time? How the attitude towards the hyperactive children was changing? In our environment the greatest emphasis is laid on terms Light Children Encephalopathy, Light Brain Dysfunction and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD). Where and when they first appeared, what was a difference in their meaning and mainly in approach towards children that were its carriers. From the comparison of answers to aforementioned questions it is clear that although each of the terms emphasizes different side of a complex problem the contents differ very slightly. Each title mirrors gradual growth of professional knowledge and society. However main aim, for all of those notions, stays primarily to provide an aid to children suffering from any of the mentioned conditions.