Three Year Old Boy Dies Waiting

Sweden rations care. In May 2006, a three year old boy suffered from diarrhea and had been vomiting for almost two days. The emergency room doctor ordered IV fluids and sent the parents back to the pediatric clinic to get the IV. But the nurses had no time for the child. The parents asked for help time and again, but were always told “nobody has time.” Too many patients. Too little staff.

Six hours later the boy died of heart failure. There was not enough fluid in that little body for the heart to pump around. Sweden has universal health insurance. The boy was covered but had no access to care. Coverage does not equal care. Obamacare will bring us Swedencare.