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Rationing Diabetic Care for Children

Welcome to the Health Freedom Minute. This is Twila Brase, president of Citizens’ Council for Health Freedom.

A government board in Washington State, called the Health Technology Assessment program, recently debated whether they should pay for glucose monitoring for diabetic children under age 18.

These are the standard finger sticks of diabetic care. Despite decades of use, the Board said there wasn’t enough “evidence” to support using them for children. Yet doing child-specific clinical trials means putting some children at risk for diabetic complications, including blindness, seizures and even death.

The director of this Washington program was just appointed by President Obama to standardize medical practice across the nation. She now leads the Obamacare Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute. Imagine what these bureaucrats could soon classify as unnecessary for your care.

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