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From the Editor

In May of 1994, I had the opportunity to co-teach a workshop on work practice at the Karolinska Hospital in Stockholm, Sweden. Many occupational therapists from all parts of Sweden attended this continuing education opportunity. During my teaching tenure, I had the opportunity to visit a variety of work programs and learn about the Swedish model of health care. I was very impressed with the high quality of collaboration between health care providers and consumers, as well as with the kind of technology used in clinics and the superlative quality of care. From this experience emerged an idea: to share through articles published in *Work* an issue devoted to Work Practice in Sweden. With the publication of this issue, the idea has become a reality! All of the articles were authored by workshop participants or speakers to provide a canvas from which to view some aspects of work practice in Sweden. I extend my deepest gratitude to the efforts of dear friend and colleague Dr. Ingrid Soderback who, acting as a Guest Editor, facilitated and coordinated the efforts of authors. Finally, the issue concludes with a Sounding Board authored by a United States physician, Dr. Matthew Gold, who provides 'A View from the U.S.'

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