

Rethinking long-term care policy reframing in European welfare states: the theoretical dialectic between the market, family, and community

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Abstract

This article tries to understand the changing relationships between state, market, family, or community in European welfare states. In addition, the article also wants to know the impact for the care givers and care receivers. The relationship between semi-professional home care and family care not only structured the hierarchy of the care givers, but also excluded the identity of care receivers. From the perspective of Neo-Polanyian conception of capitalist, the commons governance of community for the long-term care supply will resolve the welfare state's dilemma between market and society, especially the gendered hierarchy protection and social exclusion.

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