All well in the welfare state?

Welfare, well-being and the politics of happiness

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The aim of this volume is to analyze how the recent attention to subjective well-being and happiness may affect welfare state policies, looking at both Nordic and international experiences. While the Nordic welfare states typically score well in rankings of happiness, the volume asks whether all is well in the welfare state. Rather than assessing whether happiness research manages to capture the multiple factors which underpin subjective well-being, the contributions probe the relationship between the general discourse on subjective well-being and the welfare policies designed to support those members of society who are in greatest need.


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