



The Care Economy and Disability Inclusion

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Message from the Guest Editors

Disability rights advocates have expressed their concern that new care policies risk reinforcing outdated models that do not align with the international human rights law. Therefore, as countries start considering new systems, policies, and programs to address care gaps and inequalities, it is critical to integrate a disability perspective. This inclusion offers a better guide to developing holistic care and support systems that benefit everyone, from care workers to persons with disabilities.

This Special Issue of this journal explores the intricate link between the care economy and disability inclusion. It aims to compile evidence on the practices and strategies towards advancing disability-inclusive care and support programs, policies, and investments, as well as papers addressing the tensions between the care economy and disability rights. Additionally, it will consider studies discussing their data and research on the care and support needs of persons with disabilities, including carers with disabilities, to identify key opportunities for innovation, policy development, and advocacy.





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