Care Work and Care Systems in Transition: A Workshop with Professor Shereen Hussein

Workforce change, working-life quality and climate sustainability in long-term care

October 22: 10 AM - 16 PM, Stockholm University

This workshop provides an opportunity to engage with the work of Professor Shereen Hussein, London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, through two presentations drawing together several interconnected programmes of research.

The first presentation, *From policy to working life: Understanding and measuring change in the social care workforce*, examines how policy, migration, commissioning and organisational conditions shape workforce change and workers' quality of working life. Drawing on research from the ESRC Centre for Care's Care Workforce Change Research Group and the ASCK-WELL programme, it considers both the structural drivers of workforce change and how their consequences for care workers can be understood and measured.

The second presentation, *Care work in a changing climate: From workforce resilience to low-carbon social care*, turns to the relationship between care and environmental change. Drawing on the Care-Climate and Social-Decarbon projects, it explores what climate adaptation requires of the care workforce and considers the implications of moving towards lower-carbon models of care for working conditions, equity, care quality and workforce sustainability.

During the workshop, Rebecka Strandell and Helene Brodin will also present findings from two ongoing studies about longitudinal changes in the Swedish care workforce and how to improve the valuation of care work.

The workshop is intended as a space for exchange rather than a series of stand-alone presentations. Discussions are intended to reflect on similarities and differences between the UK and Swedish contexts and to identify shared questions around workforce sustainability, the organisation and quality of care work, and the future of long-term care. The workshop will also provide an opportunity to identify potential areas for future collaboration, including comparative research, joint publications, methodological exchange, development of shared research questions, and possible future funding applications around care workforce change, working conditions, migration, sustainability and climate-resilient care.

Welcome!

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