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Health and healing are distinctive domains as far as the pursuit of people's well-being is concerned. In Africa, both fields have increasingly become subject to monetization and commodification, in short, the market. Based on extensive fieldwork in nine African countries by scholars with diverse academic backgrounds, this volume offers different perspectives on the emerging markets and the way medical staff, patients, households and institutions navigate them in their quest for well-being. By presenting a detailed economic ethnography of this multifaceted process of navigating the market, the book sets a new agenda for research as a result of the current predicaments facing health and healing in African societies.

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