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investments to improve the social determinants of health and safety-net programs as a competing priority to economic growth. 'Beyond Medicine' compares the US to three European social democracies - France, Germany, and Sweden.

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