

Breast cancer treatment delays by socioeconomic and health care access latent classes in Black and White women.

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[Delays in treatment](#) pose a significant threat to patient safety. The authors examined contribution of time to treatment and treatment duration on [racial and ethnic disparities](#) in [breast cancer](#) outcomes among women in North Carolina. Results from this population-based cohort show that Black women experienced both delayed treatment initiation and prolonged treatment duration more often than White women. Socioeconomic factors and insurance coverage appear to be associated with these delays.