

Multilevel factors associated with time to biopsy after abnormal screening mammography results by race and ethnicity.

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Delays in breast cancer diagnosis and treatment can [threaten](#) patient safety. This study analyzed data from a large US breast cancer screening consortium to evaluate differences in diagnostic follow-up among [racial and ethnic groups](#). Findings indicate that Black women were most likely to experience [diagnostic delays](#) (between receipt of abnormal screening result to biopsy) after adjusting for individual-, neighborhood-, and health care-level factor, emphasizing the need to address the potential for systemic racism in healthcare.