

## **The racial disparities in maternal mortality and impact of structural racism and implicit racial bias on pregnant Black women: a review of the literature.**

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The increased risk of maternal morbidity and [mortality](#) among [Black women](#) in the United States is a patient safety and public health [crisis](#). This literature review of 42 articles highlights the importance of cultural competence and disparities training for obstetric providers to reduce maternal mortality and morbidity among Black women. The authors also highlight the need for increased awareness regarding the increased risk of cardiovascular diseases among pregnant Black women.