



Additional Resources

We are delighted to welcome you as you start your Black Maternity Matters journey.

Legislation

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/equality-act-2010-guidance>

Understanding where case law, guidance, and legislation apply to maternity is important. Take some time to familiarise yourself with the nine protected characteristics. Do you think any characteristics are missing from the Equality Act 2010?

Age



Disability



Gender Reassignment



Marriage and Civil Partnership



Pregnancy and Maternity



Race



Religion and Belief



Sex



Sexual Orientation



The Human Rights Act 1998 also provides several articles relevant to maternity. Do you believe these are being put into practice? Or are they unknown by many in the profession and simply gathering virtual dust?



Article 2: Protects the right to life?



Article 9: Protects the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion.



Article 3: Prohibits inhuman and degrading treatment.



Article 14: Prohibits discrimination.



Article 8: Protects the right to private and family life.

Podcasts



<https://www.audible.co.uk/pd/The-Bias-Diagnosis-Podcast/B08W4YZT2S>

<https://chw.princeton.edu/news/episode-1-closing-racial-divide-maternal-infant-health>

<https://uk-podcasts.co.uk/podcast/the-madwives-podcast>

<https://open.spotify.com/show/1jP7MYFzAw7M5qRmucMXXC>

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/05/11/podcasts/the-daily/mortality-black-mothers-babies.html?ref=oembed>

https://www.audible.co.uk/pd/B0CN9P9DM6?source_code=ASSORAP0511160006&share_location=player_overfly

Videos



<https://youtu.be/89Z3DQveMus>



BBC One - Panorama, Maternity Scandal: Fighting for the Truth

Michael Buchanan investigates how campaigning parents uncovered a hospital scandal.

BBC

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/m0014sxq>



https://www.ted.com/talks/wanda_irving_how_the_us_medical_community_fails_black_mothers



BBC Three - Dreaming Whilst Black, Series 1, The Dream

Kwabena bumps into an old friend who offers him an opportunity to achieve his dream.

BBC

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/iplayer/episode/p0fzlllyq/dreaming-while-black-series-1-4-the-birth>

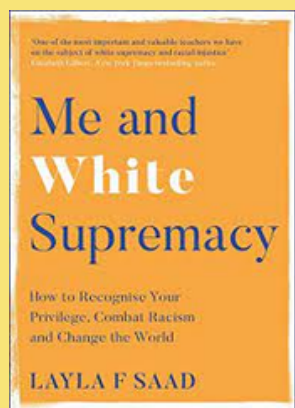
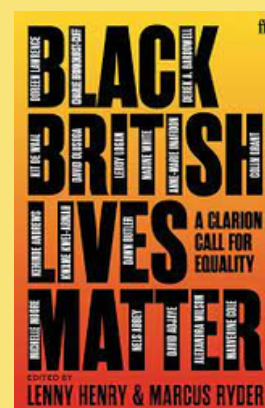
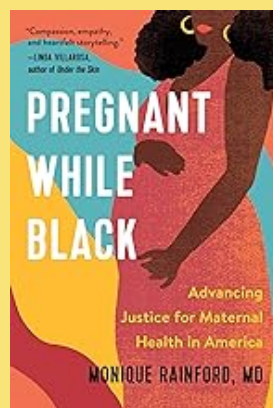
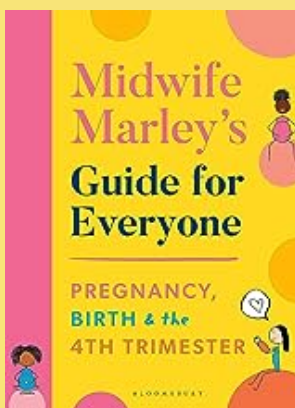
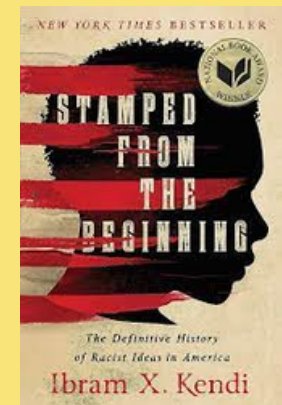
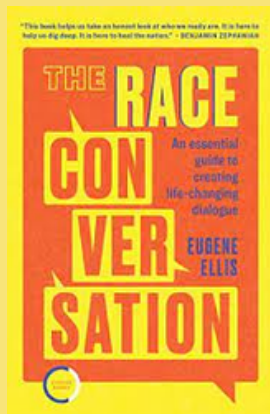
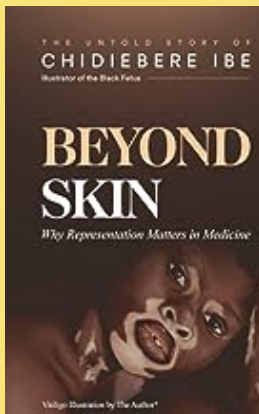
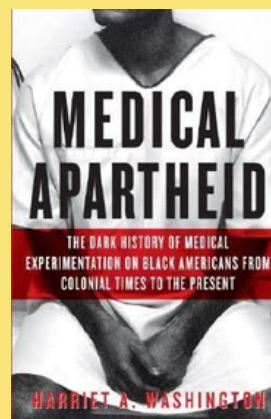
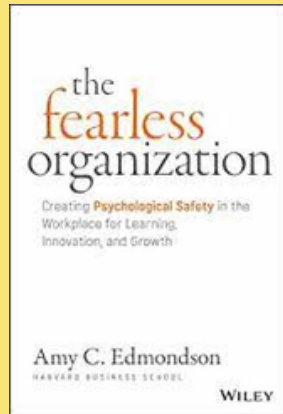
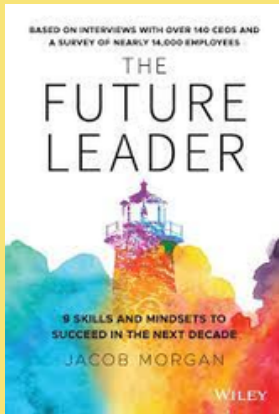


Netflix - Stamped from the beginning

Books



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Articles / Social Media



<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2022/may/23/racism-in-uk-maternity-care-risks-safety-of-black-asian-and-mixed-ethnicity-women-study>

<https://www.maternityandmidwifery.co.uk/the-fivexmore-and-birthrights-reports-individual-and-systemic-racism/>

<https://www.rcog.org.uk/news/rcog-responds-to-birthrights-inquiry-into-racial-injustice-in-maternity-care/>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-taskforce-to-level-up-maternity-care-and-tackle-disparities>

<https://www.midirs.org/latest-news/news/2022/report-shows-racial-disparities-remain-in-maternity-care-for-black-and-asian-pregnant-women/>

<https://chw.princeton.edu/news/episode-1-closing-racial-divide-maternal-infant-health>

<https://www.self.com/story/black-birth-stories>

<https://edition.cnn.com/2021/12/09/health/black-fetus-medical-illustration-diversity-wellness-cec/index.html>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-bristol-68034412>

<https://vm.tiktok.com/ZGe6KYwev/>

https://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2023/nov/09/black-babies-in-england-three-times-more-likely-to-die-than-white-figures-show?CMP=share_btn_wa

https://www.theguardian.com/society/2023/oct/20/two-thirds-of-englands-maternity-units-dangerously-substandard-says-cqc?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other

Reports



National Maternity Review:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/mat-transformation/implementing-better-births/mat-review/>

The Ockenden Report:

<https://www.gloshospitals.nhs.uk/our-services/services-we-offer/maternity/the-ockenden-report-our-response/#:~:text=The%20ockenden%20report%20was%20written,maternity%20care%20at%20the%20hospital.>

MBRRACE Report:

Saving Lives Improving Mothers' Care 2024 - Lessons learned to inform maternity care from the UK and Ireland Confidential Enquiries into Maternal Deaths and Morbidity 2020-22

<https://www.npeu.ox.ac.uk/mbrpace-uk/reports/maternal-reports/maternal-report-2020-2022>

Government Report:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/safety-of-maternity-services-in-england-government-response>

Birthrights 'Systemic Racism, not Broken Bodies Report:

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5ee11f70fe99d54ddeb9ed4a/t/628a8756365828292ccb7712/1653245787911/The+Black+Maternity+Experience+Report.pdf>

NHS Identifying Gaps Report:

<https://www.nhsrho.org/news/new-research-identifies-gaps-in-ethnicity-research-in-maternal-care/>

NCBI Report:

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC9148644/>



Websites



<https://www.birthrights.org.uk/campaigns-research/racial-injustice/>

<https://queerbirthclub.co.uk/#Workshop>

https://themothhoodgroup.org/?gclid=Cj0KCQjwiZqhBhCJARIsACHHEH8N1wtzsDzki25NvJ6QvM4kTAa-FNTTK8wRqEpq3imtyZI5ybOESmsaAjIGEALw_wcB

<https://pico.link/midwifemarley>

<https://pregnantthenscrewed.com/>

<https://www.thebump.com/a/black-birth-joy-instagram-accounts>

<https://fivexmore.org/>

<https://www.blackmothersmatter.org/>

[Inclusive Language Guide - UK Mutual Aid](#)

<https://padlet.com/BSWMVP/unconscious-bias-in-maternity-care-i4a05ti1k1jm3nu5>