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QUIZ #9

1. For Roberts, how do race and gender intersect to create medical inequality?

- For Roberts, the reason why race and gender intersect to create medical inequality is that their experiences with the healthcare system is shaped by both their race and gender, resulting in distinct forms of discrimination and oppression. Black women face unique challenges due to this intersectionality within the healthcare system due to the historical context of slavery, racism, and sexism which are continually perpetuated even to this very day. She argues that these factors have led to the devaluation and control of Black women's reproductive capacity. This control is exercised through policies and practices such as forced sterilizations, coerced contraception, and the targeting of Black women for reproductive health experimentation. Roberts also discusses how the healthcare system's approach to reproductive health often fails to address the specific needs and experiences of Black women. The shocking lack of culturally competent care, inadequate access to quality healthcare, and racial bias within medical institutions further exacerbate the disparities faced by Black women.