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A new report on the health of our nation's women and children highlighted key inequalities that persist and are worsening.

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The authors describe racial and ethnic disparities in maternal outcomes and provide resources that can be used to achieve safe and equitable health care for all childbearing women.

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