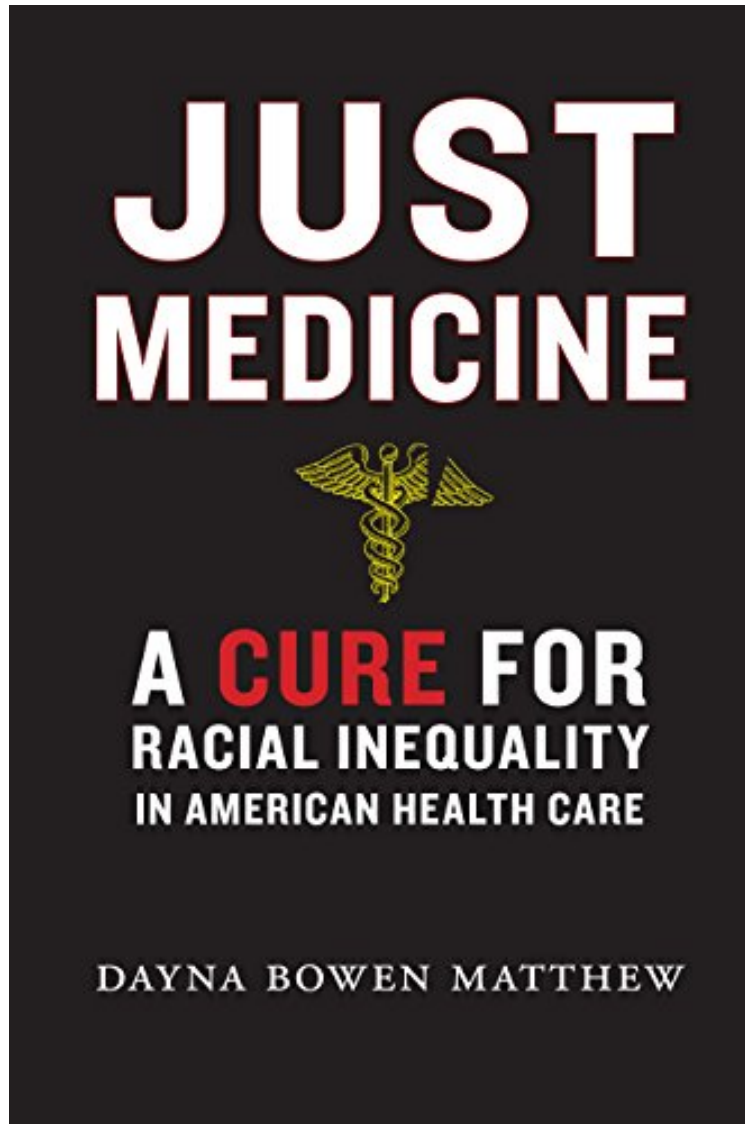


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on the required reading lists of every one in medical school or practice. Every white liberal doctor I know insists that while there maybe little or no explicit race bias to see in medical practice, especially in hospitals, there is a massive amount of careful and cautiously done research on the topic of explicit race discrimination in medical outcomes for patients. How both these can exist simultaneously is DBM's question and a very good one. But I am not sure her "cure" can work unless and until very fundamental social stereotyping by race can be scrubbed out of life in America, and elsewhere, can be scrubbed clean.² of 2 people found the following review helpful. A thoughtful and groundbreaking book By Customer Professor Matthew presents a compelling argument for tackling one of our nation's most challenging healthcare issues, the disparities in health care among vulnerable and marginalized groups. Her assessment of the problem and game-changing model is an innovative solution that will help us reduce health disparities and achieve health equity in America. I recommend this book to everyone who cares about health equity.² of 2 people found the following review helpful. I now consider myself a better informed consumer of health care via choice of professional By Customer I was enlightened by some of the research on health care policy, I now consider myself a better informed consumer of health care via choice of professional. A well written easy read.

Over 84,000 black and brown lives are needlessly lost each year due to health disparities, the unfair, unjust, and avoidable differences between the quality and quantity of health care provided to Americans who are members of racial and ethnic minorities and care provided to whites. Health disparities have remained stubbornly entrenched in the American health care system and in Just Medicine, Dayna Bowen Matthew finds that they principally arise from unconscious racial and ethnic biases held by physicians, institutional providers, and their patients.

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