Discussion Questions for Part 3: The Social Context for Who “Should” Use This Organ in the Context of White Supremacy

Discussion Questions

1. The title of this section includes the phrase “white supremacy”. How would you define this term? Do you think it applies to the information here? Why or why not?

2. Those who have learned about Eugenics think of it primarily within the context of Nazi Germany. However, it is older, founded by a contemporary of Darwin, Francis Galton. And its popularity spanned the globe, including many famous US biologists and medical professionals. What was happening in the US within that time frame (1890-1930) that might have made this an attractive idea to those sectors of society?

3. What have you heard about overpopulation? What does the word mean to you in the context of the US versus nations in the Global South (formerly called Third-World countries)?

4. What is the Mississippi appendectomy? Black women have a maternal mortality rate of 50.3 deaths per 100k live births while it was 14.5 for white women. How does that history interact with the “Mississippi appendectomy”?

5. Do you think the history behind birth control in non-White communities still influences people? If so, how?

6. Simply based on the introduction to the module and Dr. Robert’s podcast, how would you define “racialized capitalism”? Does that firework make sense to you? Why or why not?

7. Some people use the words “reproductive rights” and others talk about “reproductive justice”. What, if any, difference do you see?

8. What pressures, if any, do you, or people with a uterus who you know, feel about how a uterus “should” be used? Where could this pressure come from? Why do you think it might occur?

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