Borderline Personality Disorder. Write an essay on mental illness on the stigma and the media influence on mental illness. Your topics can include a specific mental illness, the history of mental illnesses or the stigma surrounding mental illnesses. TYPED/LENGTH/RESOURCE PAGE 3 pages (excluding resource page) Double-spaced Resource Page DESCRIPTION OF MENTAL ILLNESS STIGMA What is the stigma surrounding mental illness? How/why did the stigma begin? DESCRIPTION OF MEDIA INFLUENCE Has the media been a positive or negative influence on the stigma? Provide specific examples