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HPI	She denies any depression or suicidal ideation in the past. However, she does report a history of multiple, short, intense relationships. The patient ended these relationships because of fear of abandonment. She also has a history of drug abuse.
Treatment	Psychiatric consultation and behavioral psychotherapy can be effective over time.
Discussion	Characteristics of such a personality disorder include unstable mood and behavior , suicide attempts , boredom , splitting , feelings of emptiness and loneliness , and impulsiveness . This personality disorder is three times more common in females than in males.

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