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Research on the origins of serious mental illness has benefited greatly from advances in developmental neuroscience. With these advances, we now have a clearer picture of the complex interplay between environmental factors and brain development. Contemporary research on the origins of serious mental illness has drawn on this knowledge base and yielded important findings about the confluence of factors that give rise to mental disorders. This presentation will describe the major trends in these new findings and their implications for future perspectives on mental health.