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Crime and illness
Natasha Cornett, 26
(below), will spend her
life at the Tennessee
Prison for Women.
Christa Pike, 29 (right)
is sentenced to be
executed there. Both
committed murder at
age 18. Both are bipolar

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Too Young to Kill

They were teenagers when they committed unimaginably horrendous murders—crimes that made you wonder if they were monsters. What do you do with these kids? Lock them up and throw away the key? Try to rehabilitate them? Investigative reporter **JAN GOODWIN** discovers, first, that their crimes could have been prevented... and, second, that what's happening to them is another kind of murder.

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