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Travis N. Rieder, PhD, is a bioethicist, philosopher and author, currently serving as Director of the Master of Bioethics degree program and a Research Scholar at the Johns Hopkins Berman Institute of Bioethics.

Travis has published widely in both the academic and popular literature on a variety of issues. In recent years, however, virtually all of his attention has turned to the ethical and policy issues raised by pain, opioids, and America's problem with the two. On this subject, he has written for the medical, health policy, and bioethics literature, as well as popular media outlets such as The New York Times and the Wall Street Journal; he has co-authored a Special Publication by the National Academy of Medicine; he advises many hospitals and healthcare systems; and he speaks around the country to clinicians and various members of the public. His TED talk on opioid withdrawal and physician responsibility has been viewed well over two million times.

In 2019, Travis published *In Pain: A Bioethicist's Personal Struggle with Opioids*, in which he combines narrative from his own experience as a pain and opioid therapy patient with his expertise in philosophy and bioethics to identify, explain, and attempt to solve some of the most profound questions raised by pain and addiction medicine. *In Pain* has received significant positive attention, including reviews in *Science* and the *LA Review of Books*, as well as an interview with Terry Gross on NPR's *Fresh Air*.