MAPS in the Media

**Inc.**
The Insane Cure for PTSD That’s About to Be a Billion-Dollar Industry
January 14, 2019. In a recently released video from *Inc.*, MAPS Founder Rick Doblin, Ph.D., speaks about MAPS’ progress towards the goal of legalizing MDMA-assisted psychotherapy for the treatment of PTSD and other mental health conditions. In 1986, shortly after MDMA was criminalized, Doblin began a battle against the federal government to reverse the decision. His goal was to legalize the drug for therapeutic use. Right now, he’s very close to crossing the finish line.

**Haaretz**
Party Drug or Breakthrough Treatment?
Israel Approves Compassionate Use of MDMA to Treat PTSD
by Ido Efrati on February 10, 2019. Recreational use of MDMA, also known as ecstasy, is forbidden in Israel where the drug is considered dangerous. But a trial treatment may soon change that, *Haaretz* reports. “Emerging research has shown promising results in using this ‘party drug’ to treat patients suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder, and Israel’s Health Ministry has just approved the use of MDMA to treat dozens of patients.”

**CBC**
The Big Trip: How Psychedelic Drugs Are Changing Lives and Transforming Psychiatry
by Deanne Bender on December 28, 2018. *CBC Radio’s Day 6* reports on the therapeutic use of psychedelics. On a recent podcast, three people share their personal experiences undergoing psychedelic-assisted therapy in clinical trials, including Army SGT (R) Jon Lubecky, who shares his experience of participating in a MAPS-sponsored clinical trial of MDMA-assisted psychotherapy for the treatment of PTSD.

**Newsweek**
Small Study Shows More Promise for MDMA Therapy in Treatment of Chronic PTSD
by Aristos Georgiou on November 1, 2018. *Newsweek* reviews the promising results of MAPS-sponsored Phase 2 clinical trials of MDMA-assisted psychotherapy for PTSD.

**NPQ**
Free Your Mind, and Your Nonprofit Will Follow: Racial Equity in Psychedelic Research
by Cyni Suarez on November 8, 2018. *NonProfit Quarterly* explores the lack of racial diversity amongst therapists and participants within the field of psychedelic research.

**Santa Cruz Good Times**
Can MDMA Research Change Mental Health?
by Wallace Baine on January 8, 2019. *Santa Cruz Good Times* features an overview of MAPS.

**Stars and Stripes**
Long Trip: Psychedelic Advocate Nears Goal of Legal Ecstasy
by Matthew Perrone on November 1, 2018. *The Associated Press* profiles MAPS Founder Rick Doblin, Ph.D., highlighting decades of work to legalize psychedelic medicine and Doblin’s goal to receive FDA approval for MDMA-assisted psychotherapy as a treatment for PTSD by 2021.

**AP**
Marijuana-PTSD Study Reaches Target Enrollment of 76 Veterans
by Nikki Wentling on November 14, 2018. *Stars and Stripes* reports that the MAPS-sponsored clinical trial of medical marijuana for treating symptoms of PTSD in veterans has recently reached the enrollment goal of 76 participants.