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The author was born as Bart Dylan Peters in West Union, Ohio, USA, from his Dutch mother Jebbigje Jans Lawant and American father Karl H. Peters. He has an older sister Robin and an older brother Aaron. At the age of 3 he moved with his mother, sister and brother to the Netherlands and grew up in Heiloo, Noord-Holland. He attended high-school at the Murmellius Gymnasium in Alkmaar. In 1994 he entered medical school at the Academic Medical Center, Amsterdam, and moved to Amsterdam in 1995. From 1997 to 1998 he did a scientific rotation at the Adolescent-clinic under supervision of Lieuwe de Haan. From 1998 to 1999 he did an additional scientific rotation in Pittsburgh, USA, under supervision of prof. Keshavan, studying MRI abnormalities in young schizophrenia patients. Afterwards he completed his internships in Amsterdam and attained his license as a medical doctor in 2001. Thereupon he started his PhD. research at the Adolescent clinic of the AMC in cooperation with the department of neuroradiology. In 2005 he started his residency in psychiatry at the AMC and completed his training in 2009. Since then he has been working as a psychiatrist for GGZ Duin en Bollenstreek, and works mostly with adult schizophrenia patients in an ACT team and a clinic for long-term care.

In 2003 he met his wife Zuzana Bartosova in Prague, Czech Republic. In December 2008 Zuzana moved to the Netherlands and since then they live together in Amsterdam. In September 2010 they will move to New York City, USA. The author will continue his DTI studies there as a post-doctoral research fellow at the Zucker Hillside Hospital. Zuzana will study at Columbia University and continue her work in the area of community investment.

Meanwhile the author has gained two very cool nephews, Marc and Jayden, and three sweet nieces, Merel, Roos and Veerle. The author himself has no children yet.