

Partnered Project: PEPReC Technical Assistance on Analysis for Service Dogs for Veterans with PTSD **Project Lead**: Austin Frakt, PhD **Operations Partner**: Rehabilitation Research & Development Service (RR&D)

PEPReC has undertaken a coordinating role on the project PEPReC Technical Assistance on Analysis for Service Dogs for Veterans with PTSD on behalf of the Rehab R&D Service. For this project, PEPReC acts as the liaison between the Cooperative Studies Program team that conducted a multi-site randomized control trial (Can Service Dogs Improve Activity and Quality of Life in Veterans with PTSD?), the Health Economics Resource Center, which is conducting an economic analysis, the Institute for Clinical and Economic Review, which is conducting a cost-effectiveness analysis, and the National Academy of Medicine, charged with producing a congressionally mandated report.

Current activities:

- Coordinating and managing activities across ICER and HERC;
- Reviewing monographs produced, with particular emphasis on the monograph jointly authored by PEPReC and ICER;
- Helping to respond to NASEM (National Academy of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine) review committee comments and critiques;
- Assisting internal and external communication on methods and findings;
- Working with the wider team in addressing stakeholder and policymaker responses and concerns, as they arise.