



# PROMISE CENTER NEWS

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### New PROMISE Center Director

The PROMISE Center has a temporary new Director. Dr. David Asch joined on as the Interim Director after former Director Dr. David Casarett's recent departure to pursue other opportunities in hospice and palliative care research, education, and practice. The PROMISE team will sorely miss Dr. Casarett (and indeed already does!) but is also excited to be working with Dr. Asch.

Dr. Asch is Co-Director of the VA Center for Health Equity Research and Promotion (CHERP), and Executive Director of the Leonard Davis Institute of Health Economics at the University of Pennsylvania. More information about Dr. Asch can be found [here](#).

### November Success Story

#### *Success in Pain Management at the Togus VAMC!*

What they did: The VA Medical Center at Togus, ME in VISN 1 has consistently been one of the highest performing facilities on the BFS pain item. To read about how they did this, click [here](#).

### From the CELC Implementation Center

“What’s New” with SharePoint and updates to the call schedule for Bereavement and Spiritual Support QI pilots. For more news from the Implementation Center, click [here](#).

### From the CELC QuIRC

We are contacting all VISN Program Managers to offer clinical team training for workload documentation for all facilities in the VA. For more on workload documentation and other news from the QuIRC click [here](#).

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