

eRA Commons User Guide

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Latest Updates

June 24, 2024

Added a new topic describing how to search for awards pending closeout, awards with RPPRs due soon, and recently issued Noticed of Awards; see *Finding Recent NoAs*, *Awards with RPPRs Due, or Awards Pending Closeout* on page 749.

June 11, 2024

Added a new topic describing the Additional Materials closeout task which can appear for awards granted by the CDC; see *Closeout—Additional Materials (CDC)* on page 621.

June 5, 2024

Updated topics for submitting a reference letter to align help with screen updates and the new terminology of Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) rather than Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA); see *Submitting Reference Letters* on page 742.

June 4, 2024

Updated Welcome topic that describes eRA Commons login/landing pages to align with screen changes and the retirement of Quick Queries; see *Welcome to eRA Commons!* on page 37.

May 9, 2024

Updated topic for skipping the two-day viewing window for administrative supplements to align help with the refreshed look of related screens. See *Bypassing the 2-Business-Day Application Viewing Window for Administrative Supplements* on page 488.

May 8, 2024

Updated topic for submitting *Final Progress Report Additional Materials* (FRAM) to align help with the refreshed look of the FRAM screen. See *Closeout—Final Progress Report Additional Materials* (FRAM) on page 681.

May 6, 2024

Updated topics that relate to logging in to align help with the refreshed look of those screens. See *Logging into eRA Commons* on page 62.

May 2, 2024

Updated the topic for submitting Public Access PRAM to align help with the refreshed look of the Public Access *Progress Report Additional Material (PRAM)* screen. See *Responding to Public Access PRAM* on page 439.

May 1, 2024

Updated the topic for changing password to align help with the refreshed look of the *Change Password*screen. See *Changing Your Password* on page 150.

April 30, 2024

Updated the topic for switching to a different affiliated institution to align help with the refreshed look of the *Change Organization* screen. See *Changing to a Different Affiliated Organization* on page 133.

April 29, 2024

Updated the topic for submitting agency-requested PRAM to align help with the refreshed look of the *Progress Report Additional Material (PRAM*) screen. See *Responding to Agency Requested PRAM* on page 448.

April 26, 2024

Updated topics related to Status for principal investigators to align help with the refreshed look of those screens. See *Status for Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PI Role)* on page 474.

April 25, 2024

Updated topics related to Closeout tasks— *Closeout*—*Additional Closeout Documentation* on page 634and *Closeout*—*Final Progress Report (FPR)* on page 655to align help with the refreshed look of those screens.

April 24, 2024

Updated all topics for the Personal Profile module to align help with the refreshed look of the module; see *Personal Profile Module* on page 273.

April 23, 2024

Updated the topic for the Admin module, which includes creating/editing an account, advanced search, and delegations, to align help with the refreshed look of the Admin module; see *Create or Edit a Commons Account* on page 157, *Advanced Search for Pls with Continuous Submission Eligibility* on page 170, and *Delegations* on page 172.

April 19, 2024

Updated the topic on Interim Request for Additional Materials to align help with the refreshed look of the *Interim Request for Additional Materials* screen; see *Interim Report Additional Materials (IRAM)* on page 394.

April 10, 2024

Updated the topic on the Just in Time (JIT) screen to align help with the refreshed look of that screen; see *Just in Time (JIT) Screen* on page 538 and *Just in Time (JIT) for VA Applicants* on page 548.

April 2, 2024

Updated the topic on the Foreign Disclosure Request for Additional Materials screen to align help with the refreshed look of that screen; see SBIR/STTR Foreign Disclosure Form—Request for Additional Materials on page 575.

April 1, 2024

Updated the topic on the OTA Request for Additional Materials screen to align help with the refreshed look of the OTA Submitting Additional Materials screen; see Responding to Additional Materials Requests from the Funding Agency on page 565.

March 28, 2024

Updated all topics for Institutional Profile module to align help with the refreshed look of the module; see *Institution Profile Module (IPF)* on page 243.

March 11, 2024

Updated topic on re-assigning a grant to another department/office within an institution to align help with the refreshed look of the *Re-Assign Grant* screen; see *Steps for SO to Re-assign an Award* on page 470.

March 6, 2024

Due to a screen update to the *Recent/Pending eSubmissions* screen, updated topics that refer to that screen, where SOs and PIs can check the status of recent eSubmissions. See *How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status?* on page 465.

March 5, 2024

Added a new topic with information on the closeout process and options for Department of Commerce (DOC) awards. See *Closeout Status for DOC Awards* on page 624.

February 1, 2024

Added a new topic describing how to initiate an RPPR for a Department of Commerce (DOC) award; see *Initiating the Department of Commerce RPPR* on page 521. Added general information and updates to RPPR topics regarding DOC RPPRs. Added caveats to RPPR, Delegation, and Role help topics that do not apply to DOC awards.

January 31, 2024

The *ESI Eligibility* screen was updated to a new visual appearance. Added a topic on using the updated *ESI Eligibility* screen; see *ESI Eligibility Search* on page 211.

January 24, 2024

Updated <u>Basics and Navigation</u> topic, as the header, Main Menu, tables, and table tools have undergone minor visual updates. No functionality was changed.

January 4, 2024

Added a new topic describing how to submit a Foreign Disclosure Form. For details on this requirement and to find a blank form, see <u>Required Disclosures of Foreign Affil-iations or Relationships to Foreign Countries</u>. For instructions on uploading the form, see *SBIR/STTR Foreign Disclosure Form—Request for Additional Materials* on page 575.

January 3, 2023

Updated Locked Account topic to reflect that the Unlock Account capability was removed from the Admin module.

November 16, 2023

Revamped the topic on Just In Time (JIT) submissions, and added information on a new SBIR/STTR file upload section for the Foreign Interference Form on the JIT screen. See *Just in Time (JIT) Screen* on page 538.

November 8, 2023

Added documentation on Payment Request Module for DOC awardees. See *Payment Request Overview* on page 232.

October 30, 2023

Several changes have been made to eRA Commons modules as part of Department of Commerce (DOC) rollout. In October of 2023, several DOC bureaus will begin using eRA to manage the award and post-award grant lifecycle. DOC-specific documentation has been added as follows:

- DOC awardees (SOs) can submit revision requests for awards; see *Revision Requests* for DOC Awards on page 511.
- DOC awardees (SOs) can accept or decline an award, starting with a Status search; see *Accepting or Declining a DOC Award* on page 508.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC) users: Please see <u>Applicant and Grantee Training</u> for more information (https://www.commerce.gov/ocio/programs/gems/applicant-and-grantee-training).

October 30, 2023

Users searching for awards in Status (SOs), RPPR, and FFR can use the new Awarding Office/IC search criteria feature to limit search results to only specific grantor organizations. See *Searching for Awards by Awarding Office/IC (Search Criteria)* on page 117.

October 12, 2023

As of October 12, 2023, requests to revise approved Data Management and Sharing (DMS) Plans for NIH awards must be submitted via Prior Approval's "Other Request" type. The online help topic, *Prior Approval - Other Request* on page 289, was updated with specific instructions for using the Other Request type in Prior Approval for DMS change requests.

About eRA Commons

eRA Commons is a Web-based system for applicants and institutions to participate in the electronic grant administration process.

In eRA Commons (Commons), grant applicants, grantees, and federal staff at NIH and grantor agencies can access and share administrative information relating to research grants. If you are registering a new institution, see https://www.era.nih.gov/register-accounts/register-in-era-commons.htm. If you are affiliated with a registered institution and need an eRA Commons account, contact your institution's signing official or account administrator.

NIH extramural grantee organizations, Operating Divisions (OpDivs), grantees, and the public are the primary users of Commons, and each type of user is assigned a specific role (or roles). Depending on your role, you can perform a variety of functions in Commons, including:

- Track the status of your grant application through the submission process, while viewing errors and/or warnings and checking the assembled grant image.
- View summary statements and score letters following the initial review of your application
- View the notice of award (NoA) and other key documents.
- Submit Just-in-Time (JIT) information required by the grantor agency prior to a final award decision.
- Submit the required documentation, including the Financial Status Report/Federal Financial Report and
 - Final Research Performance Progress Report (Final RPPR) to close out your grant.
- Submit a No-Cost Extension notification that the grantee has exercised its onetime authority to extend without funds the final budget period of a grant.
- Submit an annual progress report electronically.
- Manage personal and institutional profiles.

NOTE: All attachments should be submitted in PDF format with a maximum size of 6MB.

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Welcome to eRA Commons!

Access eRA Commons by entering the following address into your web browser:

https://public.era.nih.gov/commonsplus

eRA Commons Login Screen (Before Logging In)

The eRA Commons login screen displays., which contains the following elements:

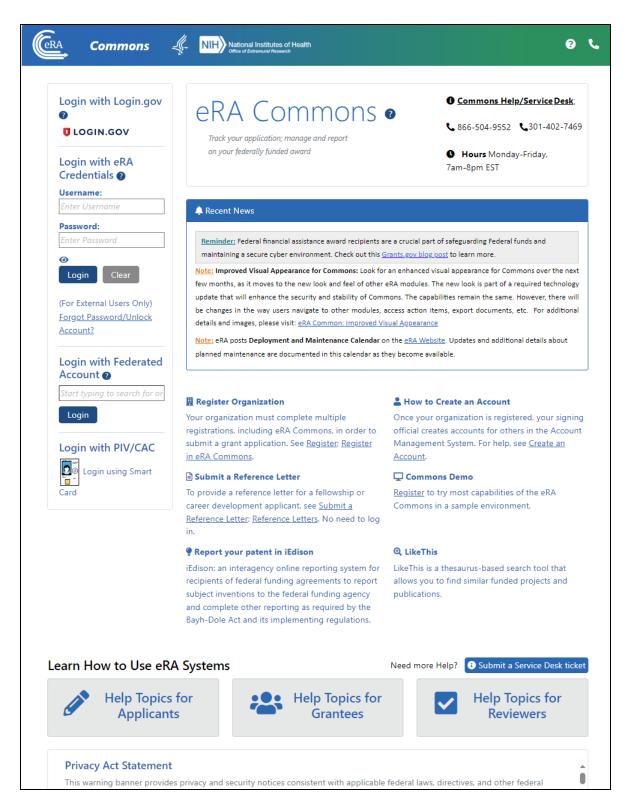


Figure 1: eRA Commons login screen

Login Section

There are four login methods in the login section to access eRA Commons .

Principal investigators, reviewers, and key personnel associated with an application or an RPPR are required to use two factor authentication for enhanced security. This can be through a federated (institution) account if it meets NIH required security requirements, or through the use of Login.gov, the federal secure login system. If a user is required to transition to a more secure login system, they receive a message upon login guiding them through using Login.gov with eRA Commons. See *Transitioning To and Using Login.gov* on page 68.

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Figure 2: Four login methods on upper left of eRA Commons login screen, including Login.gov, eRA Credentials, Federated Account, and PIV/CAC smartcard

Service Desk Section

Service desk phone numbers and hours are listed in the upper right.

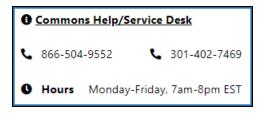


Figure 3: Service desk section in upper right of login screen, listing phone numbers and hours

Recent News Section

Read the recent news to find important announcements of upcoming or ongoing activities that might affect your work.

🐥 Recent News
Reminder: Federal financial assistance award recipients are a crucial part of safeguarding Federal funds and maintaining a secure cyber environment. Check out this <u>Grants.gov blog post</u> to learn more.
Note: Improved Visual Appearance for Commons: Look for an enhanced visual appearance for Commons over the next few months, as it moves to the new look and feel of other eRA modules. The new look is part of a required technology update that will enhance the security and stability of Commons. The capabilities remain the same. However, there will be changes in the way users navigate to other modules, access action items, export documents, etc. For additional details and images, please visit: <u>eRA Common: Improved Visual Appearance</u>

Figure 4: The Recent News section, below the Service Desk section, lists upcoming or ongoing activities that might affect your work in eRA Commons

Important Links Section

Below the Recent News section are links to help you:

- Register a new organization with eRA Commons--no eRA account required.
- Create accounts for your organization's users.
- Learn about and Submit a Reference Letter--no eRA account required.

• Register for, or play with, a sandbox Commons Demo version of eRA Commons to accelerate learning the system.

• Jump to the iEdison system maintained by NIST to register and manage inventions.

• Connect to the LikeThis system, where you can enter queries to find similar projects.



Figure 5: Important links include those relating to registering an organization, submitting reference letters, reporting patents, creating accounts, using a Commons Demo environment, and using the LikeThis search module

Learn How... Section

New to eRA Commons? Click buttons in the Learn How to Use eRA Systems section to see help for your specific situation, whether you're applying for an award, need to manage an award you've already received, or are evaluating award applications as a peer reviewer.



Figure 6: Learn How to Use eRA Systems buttons at bottom of eRA Commons login and landing screens, which link to helpful topics for a variety of user types

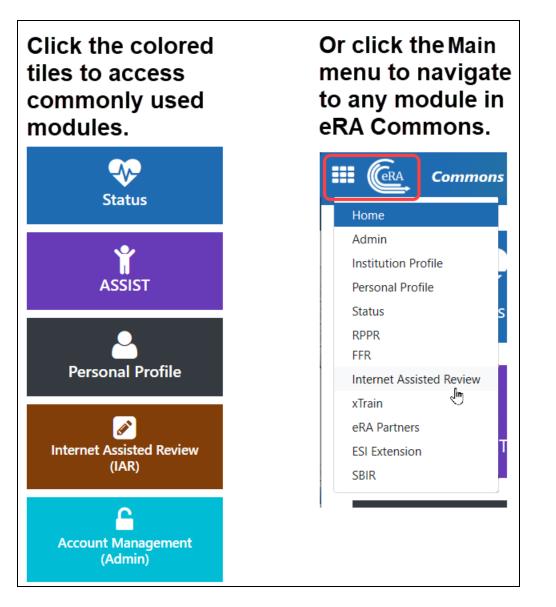
eRA Commons Landing Screen (After Logging In)

After logging in, you see the home, or landing, screen, which is similar to the login screen except that it has navigation to eRA modules.

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Status	eRA Commons • Track your application; manage and report on your federally funded award	 O Commons Help/Service Desk 866-504-9552 301-402-7469 O Hours Monday-Friday, 7am-8pm EST
ASSIST Personal Profile	 Recent News eRA Maintenance Calendar 	
Internet Assisted Review (IAR)	 Submit a Reference Letter To provide a reference letter for a fellowship or career development Letters. Q LikeThis LikeThis is a thesaurus-based search tool that allows you to find similar funded projects and publications. 	applicant, see <u>Submit a Reference Letter</u> ; <u>Reference</u>
Account Management (Admin)	Amendments • Go	♀<u>iEdison</u> Report your patent in iEdison (also see <u>Invention Reporting</u> website)
Learn How to Use eRA Syst	tems	Need more Help? Submit a Service Desk ticket
Help Topics for App	licants Help Topics for Grantees	Help Topics for Reviewers

eRA Commons Navigation Between Modules

Navigate to the most commonly used modules by clicking the module's colored tile or use the Main menu to access all modules:



See your login information, institution, roles, and a Sign Out link under the person icon

in the header. It also contains links to change your password or manage your email preferences. For more information about the header, see *Header and Footer Nav-igation* on page 103.

The grey panel labeled SAMSHA gives you direct access to the Non-Research searches for amendments, continuations, and supplements. See *Non-Research Amendments, Supplements, and Continuations (for Non-Research Agencies)* on page 717 for more information.



Figure 7: To proceed to SAMHSA management of amendments, supplements, and continuations, select an item in the SAMHSA panel and click Go.

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Current Institution:
NIH
Roles:
SPONSOR PI
Manage Preferences
Sign Out

Figure 8: Click the person icon in upper right to see current institution and roles.

On any eRA Commons screen with a help icon
, click it to access context sensitive help for the screen you are viewing.

Registering Institutions and Organizations

An institution (university, company, corporation, organization, or other research entity) is required to register in eRA Commons to electronically submit a grant application. There is a one-time registration process, during which initial accounts are created.

The institution must be registered by a person who has signature authority to legally bind the institution in grants administration matters, referred to as a signing official (SO). Only authorized organization officials can be deemed as SOs for their institutions. Examples of NIH-accepted signing officials include:

- Corporation President, CEO
- Institute Executive Director
- University President, Dean, or Chancellor

During registration, accounts for the signing official (SO) and account administrator (AA) are created. After registration becomes active, these two authorized individuals can then create new user accounts for personnel at their institution and can access Institution Profile information. The first signing official can create additional signing official accounts; see *Signing Official (SO)* on page 129.

You can access the eRA Commons Online Registration system at the following location:

https://public.era.nih.gov/commonsplus/public/registration/initRegistration.era

For applications due on or after January 25, 2022, applicants must have a UEI at the time of application submission. See the article titled, <u>Unique Entity Identifier Update</u>, on the GSA (U.S. General Services Administration) website for more information. (https://www.gsa.gov/about-us/organization/federal-acquisition-service/office-of-sys-tems-management/integrated-award-environment-iae/iae-systems-information-kit/u-nique-entity-identifier-update)

NOTE: If your organization intends to only apply for Other Transaction Authority (OTA) opportunities, neither a DUNS nor UEI are required for initial registration.

Before you Register

For new organizations needing to register to do business with NIH:

• Your organization must complete <u>multiple registrations</u> before registering with eRA Commons (see the <u>Register webpage</u> on the Grants & Funding website). NIH recommends starting the organization registration process six weeks prior to your deadline to allow plenty of time to address unforeseen issues along the way.

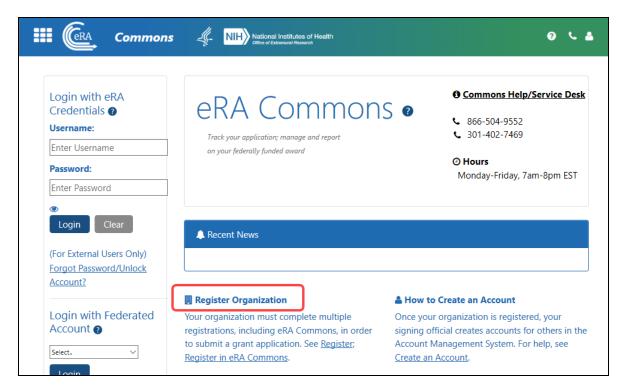
• Note that eRA Commons registration can take up to 10 business days to complete, so plan in advance.

• Note that the assignment of a UEI is sufficient to register in eRA Commons, while your full SAM.gov registration is being processed.

Registering an Institution

To register your institution:

1. On the Commons home page, click the Register Organization link.



You are presented with the *Step 1 Purpose* screen, the first of five wizard-like screens in the registration process.

2. Fill out each screen in the registration wizard and click **Next**. See the topics below for details on each step.

See *What Happens After You Submit Your Registration Request?* on page 52 for what happens after clicking the **Submit** button in the final of the five screens.

Step 1 Purpose

Choose the intent for the use of your eRA Commons registration. You can select checkboxes for all types that apply to your institution's needs. More opportunity types can be added later, after registration; see *Opportunity Type Eligibility* on page 256

NIH Grants and Contracts. This is the most common type of registration and is required for any application that is funded by NIH.

Non-NIH Grants and Contracts. Selecting this option lets you submit applications offered by partner agencies such has SAMHSA, AHRQ, etc.

Other Transaction Authority Opportunities. A type of funding that is neither grants nor contracts and is used across NIH.

If you choose NIH Grants or Non-NIH Grants, you must provide an institutional identifier on the next screen, either the DUNS number or UEI, which can be obtained from Dun and Bradstreet or SAM.gov, respectively.

Additionally, if you choose the NIH Grants option, you must then acknowledge having read the **Legal Implications of Applications** of the NIH Grants Policy statement, which is linked for your convenience.

Click the **Next** button, which becomes enabled only when required options are completed.

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Step 1 Purpose	Step 2 Verify Identification	Step 3 Institution Details	Step 4 Accounts	Step 5 Review & Submit
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My organization wishes to apply	for(Check all that apply) *			
Non-NIH Grants/Contracts				
NIH Other Transaction Authority	(OTA) Opportunities			
I acknowledge I have read an	d understand the NIH Grants Policy statemen	t regarding the Legal Implications of Ap	pplications 🖉 .	
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Step 2 Verify Identification

On the *Verify Identification* screen, what you see depends on what you chose on the *Purpose* screen:

- If you marked either NIH Grants or Non-NIH Grants on the *Purpose* screen, you
 must specify a DUNS or unique entity identifier (UEI) number to identify your institution, which must have been previously registered in SAM.gov.
- If you marked ONLY the NIH Other Transaction Authority as the *Purpose* for registration, then you have the option to click "I don't have one" for the identifier.
- If you click "I don't have one," then an additional acknowledgment appears informing you that applications are not accepted without current, active SAM registration. Mark this checkbox if this message appears.

If you must enter an identifier, choose either DUNS or UEI and click the **Verify** button, which checks to see if the identifier has been registered in SAM.gov. After successful verification, or after clicking "I don't have one," click the **Next** button.

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Step 2: Verify Identif	ication			
Step 1 Purpose	Step 2 Verify Identification	Step 3 Institution Details	Step 4 Accounts	Step 5 Review & Submit
ADUNS numbers are still acce	epted, but will be retiring in the near future. Please	e obtain a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) a	is soon as possible.	
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Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) *				
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Step 3 Institution Details

In the following screen, fill out the fields if necessary. Note that if you are registered in SAM.gov and you provided a DUNS or UEI number, many of the fields are automatically populated from SAM.gov data. Those fields are not editable. If the SAM.gov information is wrong, you must log into SAM.gov to correct it.

Not pre-populated are the **Closeout Email** and **Notice of Award Email** fields. Specify addresses where grant award decisions and closeout-related communications (at end of award) should be sent, then click **Next**. Most institution details on this page can be changed later in the eRA Commons *Institutional Profile* module.

If you did not specify a DUNS or UEI earlier, then the fields are empty and editable; fill them out.

NOTE: If the **Institution State** field is grayed out/disabled, then first specify an **Institution Country**. If the country you choose has states/provinces, then those will now appear as type-ahead options in the **Institution State** field, which becomes enabled for countries that require it.

Register Institution	3			
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Step 4 Accounts

In the following screen, you must create a signing official (SO) account; see *Signing Official (SO)* on page 129 for details on this role. Optionally, click the **Add an Account Administrator (Optional)** button to also create an additional account; the account administrator (AA) is a person who can help with the creation and administration of eRA Commons accounts.

Read username criteria on the right in the gray box. Once submitted, your username is permanent and cannot be changed. After filling out at minimum the required (red asterisk) fields for the signing official, click **Next**.

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Step 5 Review & Submit

In the following screen, review all information; if you notice anything wrong, use the **Back** button to return to previous screens and correct mistakes.

When finished reviewing, click the **Submit** button. You are **NOT** done with the registration process! There are several other interactions between you and eRA that will occur after submitting, so be sure to read the following section.

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Account(s)				
Principal Signing Official Email eraTest@nih.gov	Username eraTest@nih.gov			
Name Prefix	Title President			
First Name	Middle Name			
.ast Name Doe	Phone 555-555-5555			
Account Adminstrator				
Email	Username			
eraTest2@nih.gov	eraTest2@nih.gov			
Name Prefix	Title CEO			
First Name ohn	Middle Name			
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What Happens After You Submit Your Registration Request?

After you submit your request, there are a series of further communications and steps you need to take in a timely manner. If you don't receive the emails specified below, check your spam folders.

1. You see the following **Success** message in the browser immediately after submitting your registration request.

Home	
-	
Success! Registration request was submitted to the Agency for review: FILTERS INC with the Signing Official, Doe Jane ! NEXT STEPS An email has been sent to eratest@nih.gov for verification. Follow the instructions in the email to verify this email address before the Agency can move forward with accepting your registration. You have 8 days from this date to respond or the registration is rejected and you will have to register again	

2. You receive the following email at the email address you used to register. You must click the link in the email to complete email verification. If you fail to verify your email within eight days, your registration request will be canceled.

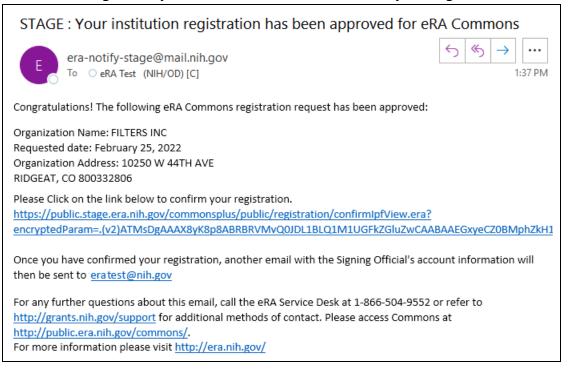
STAGE : Email confirmation for FILTERS INC	
era-notify-stage@mail.nih.gov To O eRA Test (NIH/OD) [C]	← ≪ → … 1:12 PM
Your registration request has been received. The next step is for the NIH to verify this e have recorded for the Signing Official of your institution. Please click on the email link b information.	
https://public.stage.era.nih.gov/commonsplus/public/registration/verifyEmail.era? encryptedParam=.(v2)ATMsDgAAAX8yFRpAABRBRVMvQ0JDL1BLQ1M1UGFkZGluZwCA KjScfxEBj2VYGWjiA8AAAAQ6r3eQeE65y4xq2HZRU2-AgAUZaDzXhoPA7i0wZntHIULOD7	
If you are unable to click on the above email link or have other concerns or questions, or Service Desk using the contact information listed below.	contact the NIH eRA
Thank you for registering your institution with the NIH eRA Commons.	
For any further questions about this email, call the eRA Service Desk at 1-866-504-9552 <u>https://era.nih.gov/need-help</u> for additional methods of contact. Please access Common <u>http://public.era.nih.gov/commons/</u> . For more information please visit <u>http://era.nih.gov/</u>	

3. After you click the link in the above email, you are directed to the following browser **Success** message for email verification, below.



4. At a later date, after your registration request has been evaluated by agency personnel, you receive the following email if your registration was approved. If your registration request was rejected, you would instead receive an email notifying you of the rejection.

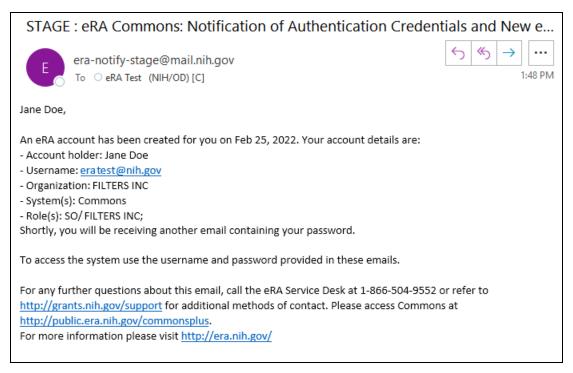
In the following email, you must click the link to confirm your registration.



5. After clicking the link in the above email, you are directed to the following browser **Registration Confirmed** message, below.



6. After you confirm your registration, you receive two more emails in quick succession. The first, below, notifies you of your account creation and lists your username. Take note of the username, as you will need it to log into eRA Commons.



7. The second email, below, notifies you of your account's temporary password, which is valid only for 48 hours. Take note of, or copy, the password, as you will need it to log into eRA Commons.

STAGE : eRA Commons: Notification of Password for New Account era-notify-stage@mail.nih.gov To O eRA Test (NIH/OD) [C] I:48 PM The password associated with your recently created account is The above password is temporary, and will expire in 48 hours. You will be required to change your password the first time you successfully log into the system. On the Change Password page, enter the temporary password in the Current Password field. Please read the instructions on the Change Password page carefully before selecting a new password. If the temporary password expires, you will be taken to the Reset Password page where you can request another temporary password. To access the system use the Username provided in the email notifying you of your new account. For any further questions about this email, call the eRA Service Desk at 1-866-504-9552 or refer to http://grants.nih.gov/support for additional methods of contact. Please access Commons at http://public.era.nih.gov/commonsplus. For more information please visit http://era.nih.gov/

- 8. Within two days of receiving the above email, log into eRA Commons as described in *Logging into eRA Commons* on page 62. If you do not log in within two days, you will need to request a password reset; see *Reset Password* on page 147.
- 9. You will immediately be directed to change your temporary password; see *Reset Password* on page 147.
- 10. Once you change the temporary password, the system requires you to log back in, using your new credentials. As the SO, you are presented with an **Acknow-ledgment of Signing Official Responsibilities** form. Read and acknowledge the form.
- 11. At this point, you may be directed to associate your new Commons account with a Login.gov account; see *Transitioning To and Using Login.gov* on page 68.

If you created an account administrator account, that person also receives emails with their username and password, and must log in, change their password, etc. Both the SO and the AA can now create eRA Commons accounts for others at your institution; see *Create or Edit a Commons Account* on page 157.

Changing Your Institution's Registration Details Later

Much of the information that you specify during registration of your institution can be changed later after your registration is approved by using the Institutional Profile module in eRA Commons. See the topics for the *Institution Profile Module (IPF)* on page 243.

Commons Demonstration Site

The Commons Demo Site is a fully functioning site for all users. Once you create an account, you can access an environment containing realistic demonstration data that is almost identical to the Commons production environment.

Use the Commons Demo Site to familiarize yourself with the eRA Commons application and to practice creating sample institutions and accounts and/or manipulating grant applications. The site provides access to the major functions of the system in a training/demonstration mode that mirrors the production version, the difference being that sample data is altered in the Commons Demo Site.

Accessing Commons Demo Site

To access the Commons Demo Site, click the **Commons Demo** link on the eRA Commons login page.

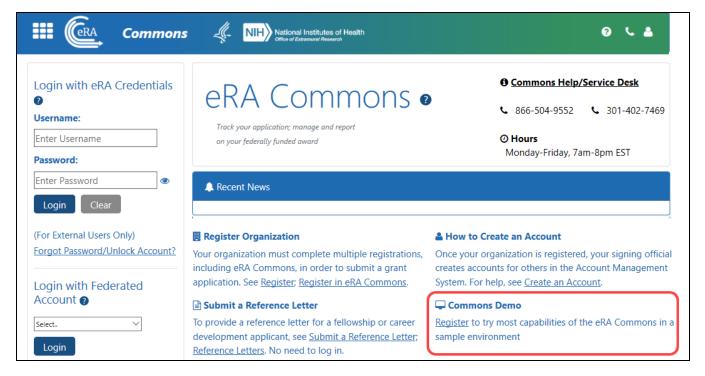


Figure 9: Commons Demo Link

Users with a demo account should log in using the username and password created for this purpose; users without a demo account should create one. See the section below to create a new demo account.

Creating a New Demo Site Account

The *Create a New Demo Account* screen lets you create a sample institution and user accounts. Creation of a signing official (SO) and a principal investigator (PI) account is required.

A number of sample grant applications are assigned to the PI account and are accessible to the SO account. After registering and creating sample accounts, you can use the Commons demo site to perform all functions on the sample data linked to these accounts (such as creating new accounts, submitting an RPPR or FFR, reviewing application status, and affiliating other demo users to the demo institution).

To create a new Commons Demo Site account:

1. Click the **Register** link under **Commons Demo** on the Commons login page.

The Create a New Demo Account screen displays.

2. Fill in the appropriate information for creating the account.

For information about roles, see User Roles on page 121.

NOTE: All fields followed by an asterisk (*) are required. The User Name length should be between 6 and 30 characters and should NOT contain special characters except the @ sign, the hyphen, the period, and the underscore. The User names must be unique.

3. Click the **Submit** button.

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BO Account:	D BO	ex: Jane	e.Smith_BO	
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Figure 10: Create a New Demo Account Screen

A verification message displays the information entered.

4. Review all entered information and click the **Submit** button to create the Commons Demo Site account.

Account Informati Please	e verify the data you	entered for th	ne new account.
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PI User Name:	PI_TESSATOTH12345 67890	PI User Roles :	PI
Email Address:	TESSATOTH@abc.net	Institution:	TESTING
	e test institution accounts and tions for your personal use. ake up to a minute.		← Cancel ↓ Submit

Figure 11: Confirm the New Demo Account

A confirmation page lists the user name information and passwords. Make sure to copy the information.

5. Click the **Continue** button.

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PI User Name:	PI_TESSATOT H1234567890	PI Password:	CommonsDemo#11235	
				Continue

Figure 12: Commons Demo Account Created

You are redirected to the Commons Demo Site for login, where you can start the training/demo session. When you first log in to the Commons Demo Site, you will be asked to change your password. See *Reset Password* on page 147 for help on changing your password.

Logging into eRA Commons

Access to eRA Commons depends on the type of user. The Commons user (applicant, signing official, NIH staff, etc.) can log in using one of four ways listed on the eRA Commons login screen:

Login with Login.gov () D LOGIN.GOV Login with eRA Credentials () Username: Enter Username	for internal (staff) and ex For external users, use of Credentials began being 2021 in favor of Login.go authentication.	of eRA phased o	out in
Password:	Authentication Method	External	Interna
Enter Password	eRA Credentials	Х	X
Login Clear	Federated Account ¹	Х	
(For External Users Only)	PIV/CAC		Х
Forgot Password/Unlock Account?	login.gov account	×	
Login with Federated Account Select. ~ Login Login with PIV/CAC Login using Smart Card	¹ Only for users with accour Federated institutions/orga		

Log In with Login.gov

If switching to Login.gov, follow the instructions in *Transitioning To and Using Login.gov* on page 68.

If you attempt to log in with your normal eRA credentials, and you see one of the following screens, then you are being transitioned to mandatory use of Login.gov; see *Transitioning To and Using Login.gov* on page 68.

Confirmation Required	
Access to NIH/eRA systems is available via Login.gov	
 If you run into issues with login.gov or associating your login.gov account with your eRA account, please contact the eRA Service Desk at https://grants.nih.gov/support/index.html. You can also refer to login.gov for additional help at https://www.login.gov/help/ 	NIH is using login.gov to allow you to sign in to your account safely and securely.
For additional information:	
** Two-Factor Authentication: Accessing eRA Modules via login.gov	
Please select Continue to be redirected to Login.gov or Cancel to return to the NIH/eRA application login page.	Password Show password
Continue Cancel	Sign in
	Create an account
	Sign in with your government employee ID

Log In with eRA Credentials

This method uses a username and password that is assigned and maintained by the eRA Commons system. This method is being phased out gradually and eventually all external users must create and associate a two-factor authentication account (Federated account or Login.gov) with their eRA account. Authentication will be accomplished with the two-factor authentication account, after which the user will be logged into the eRA account that was associated with the two-factor account. See below for instructions.

NOTE: If you are an NIH staff member who needs to log in with your NIH network account credentials and you have an active NIH PIV exemption, see <u>Login Screen for</u> <u>Internal Staff</u>, and scroll down to the topic titled, *Log In Using NIH Network Account Credentials (Only available for NIH users who have an active NIH PIV exemption).*

If you have been provided with a Commons User ID, you can log into Commons using the **Login with eRA Credentials** section of the login page. This access method is being gradually phased out starting in 2021, but you will retain the eRA credentials and continue to maintain them because they identify you throughout the Commons system.

To log into Commons:

- 1. Navigate to eRA Commons . (https://public.era.nih.gov/commonsplus/)
- 2. Under Login with eRA Credentials, enter your username in the Username field.
- 3. Enter your password in the **Password** field. By default, passwords display as bullet characters, but you can click the small 'eye' icon next to the password field to see the actual password in clear text.
- 4. Click the **Login** button.

Login with eRA Credent	ials 👔
Username:	
Enter Username	
Password:	
Enter Password	۲
Login Clear	
(For External Users Only) Forgot Password/Unlock Acco	ount?

Figure 13: Commons Login

NOTE: Commons locks users out after three (3) unsuccessful login attempts.

If you successfully login, you see a Person icon at upper right. Clicking the Person icon shows your username, institution, and user roles.

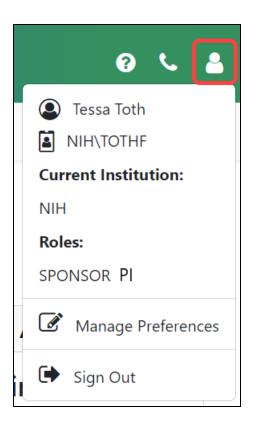


Figure 14: Commons Home Page shows a Person icon in upper right, which when clicked shows account information

IMPORTANT: Are you affiliated with multiple institutions? Make sure that the correct institution is displayed after you log in. This will affect the information you can access in Commons. Refer to the topic called Refer to *Changing to a Different Affiliated Organ-ization* on page 133 for more information.

After you have signed into Commons, you can access the various modules, links, and help screens, as well as other available links.

NOTE: The modules accessible to a user depend on that user's role and privileges. See *Opening Modules* on page 136 for information on navigating to modules.

Log In with and InCommon Federated Account

This method uses an InCommon federated account (when a user's organization participates in the InCommon federated account login program, which involves using the organization's own credentials). See *Federated Institutions/Organizations Commons Login* on page 83 for instructions.

Log In with PIV/CAC or With Network Credentials+PIV Exemption

If you are an internal NIH or federal agency user accessing Commons, see the Login Screen for Internal Staff topic.

If you are an NIH staff member who needs to log in with network credentials and you have an active NIH PIV exemption, access the above topic, and scroll down to the topic titled, *Log In Using NIH Network Account Credentials (Only available for NIH users who have an active NIH PIV exemption)*.

Commons Landing Page

After logging in, you see the landing page. See *Welcome to eRA Commons!* on page 37 for details.

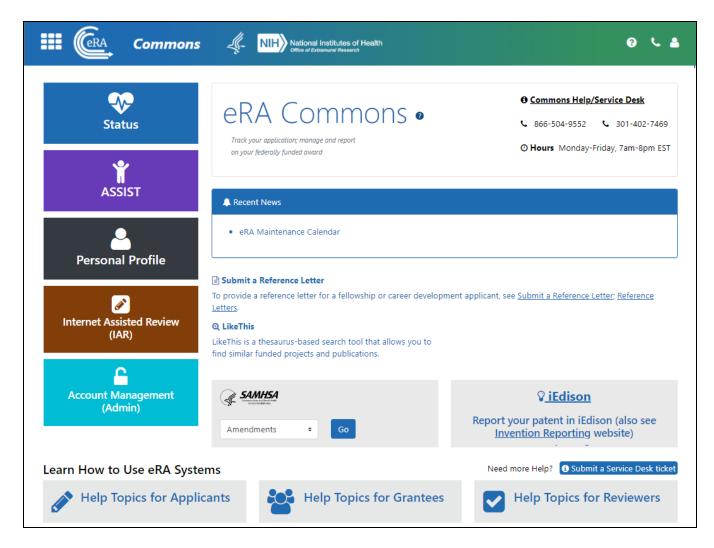


Figure 15: Commons Landing Page

Session Expiration

If you are going to be away from your computer for an extended period, save any changes and log out of the system. Work sessions expire after 45 minutes of inactivity. At that time, the system returns to the Commons Login screen.

Transitioning To and Using Login.gov

As part of federal government security policies, eRA is moving to two-factor authentication for accessing its external modules, meaning that log-in will require something you know (password) and something you have (a phone or other device). If you see a message that states your account is required to use two-factor authentication to access NIH/eRA systems, then it is required that you transition to using login.gov or other two-factor authentication method (such as InCommon Federated). This topic outlines transitioning to using Login.gov for accessing eRA systems.

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Error
7 9 Your account is required to use two-factor authentication to access NIH/eRA systems. Please setup and use either a Login.gov account or an InCommon Federated account that supports NIH's two-factor authentication standards for further information. Please see the following:
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Figure 16: Message letting you know your account is required to use two-factor authentication to access NIH/eRA systems

Users of eRA Commons, IAR, and ASSIST must transition to the use of Login.gov credentials, instead of their Commons username and password, to log in (unless they have access to InCommon Federated login with their organization). eRA will begin a phased approach beginning on September 15, 2021 for enforcing the two-factor authentication requirement for the NIH recipient community as described in <u>Two-Factor Authentication</u>: <u>Access eRA Modules via Login.gov</u> (https://www.era.nih.gov/register-accounts/accessera-modules-via-login-gov.htm).

IMPORTANT: Please note that using Login.gov means you will have two separate accounts for eRA Commons.

- You will have an eRA Commons User ID and password

- You will additionally setup a Login.gov account with its own separate User ID and

password

After setting up Login.gov, you will still need to know and maintain your eRA Commons

account credentials (and change the password once per year), but you will use Login.gov credentials to log in.

Login with Login.gov LOGIN.GOV
Login with eRA Credentials 👔 Username:
Enter Username
Password:
Enter Password
Login
(For External Users Only)
Forgot Password/Unlock Account?
Login with Federated Account 👔
Start typing to search for organization
Login
Login with PIV/CAC
Login using Smart Card

Figure 17: Login options on eRA Commons login screen

Log In with Login.gov

This method uses Login.gov, after a one-time associating of the Login.gov account with the eRA Commons account. If you attempt to log in and you are redirected to create a Login.gov account, that means that you are among a group currently being migrated to mandatory use of Login.gov. Other Commons and ASSIST users are encouraged to start using Login.gov as soon as possible.

If you have trouble with the Login.gov process, try these two support sources:

- Login.gov help center: https://Login.gov/help/
- eRA Commons Support Desk (<u>https://www.era.nih.gov/need-help</u>)

You will continue to retain and maintain the eRA username and password after registering with Login.gov; however you must always use Login.gov to log into eRA Commons after creating the Login.gov account creating and associating it with your eRA credentials. See <u>https://www.era.nih.gov/faqs.htm#XXIV</u>.

IMPORTANT: BEFORE YOU START THE PROCESS:

• Make sure your eRA Commons account is active and unlocked, and you know your account password; if you are unsure of the password, then use the Forgot Pass-word/Unlock Account link located below the **Username** and **Password** fields on the eRA Commons home screen to change your password (see screenshot below).

• Also, ensure that you not are not using old bookmarked URLs to access eRA Commons. The URL for eRA Commons is https://public.era.nih.gov/commonsplus/

• Ensure your eRA Commons account is active. If your eRA Commons account is inactive, you must contact the eRA signing official/administrative official (SO/AO) at your institution for assistance to activate your account.

Login with Login.gov 🛛
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Login with eRA Credentials @
Username:
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Password:
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Login Clear
(For External Users Only)
Forgot Password/Unlock Account?
Login with Federated Account
Select 🗸
Login
Login with PIV/CAC
Login using Smart Card

Detailed Login.gov Steps and Troubleshooting

Accessing eRA Commons with Login.gov for the first time

Steps for the Initial Setup at Login.gov

STEP1	STEP 2	STEP 3	YOU ARE DONE!
	Create an Account		
Click on the login.gov option on eRA Commons	Create a login.gov account	Associate your login.gov account with your eRA Commons account (one-time only)	The next time you log into eRA Commons using login.gov. you will automatically be redirected to eRA Commons without having to log in again.

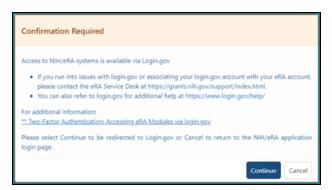
STEP ONE — Click the Login.gov option on eRA Commons

TIP: If Login.gov has become mandatory for you, then upon entering normal eRA credentials, you will be redirected automatically to the *Confirmation Required* popup below to start the Login.gov process, and will not be able to log in until you complete it.

1. On the eRA Commons login screen, click on the **Login.gov** logo in the login section.



2. You will be presented with a *Confirmation Required* dialog. Click **Continue** and you will be redirected to https://secure.Login.gov.



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sign in to you	gin.gov to allow you to ar account safely and securely.
Email address	
Password	Show password
Cre	Sign in
Sign in with your governmer	nt employee ID

NOTE: If you already have a Login.gov account, enter your email address and password and click Sign In. Complete the two-factor authentication method that you have already configured for your Login.gov account (text message, authentication application, etc.) and you will go directly to STEP THREE below.

STEP TWO — Create a Login.gov account

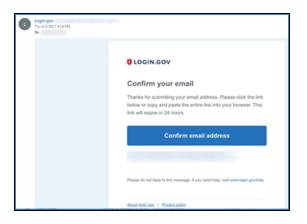
1. Click the **Create an account** button on the initial Login.gov screen. You will be presented with the Login.gov *Create Your Account* screen.

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2. Enter your email address and select the box to accept the Login.gov Rules of Use and click **Submit**.

NOTE: Use an email address that you will always have access to, not one that is dependent on your current institution, because you will need access if you ever reset your password. You use the same Login.gov account and eRA account regardless of your current institution.

3. You will receive an email from Login.gov asking you to confirm your email address.



- 4. Complete the process to confirm your email address by selecting the "Confirm email address" link included in the Login.gov verification email.
- 5. You will be returned to the Login.gov site where you will be presented with the *Create a Strong Password* screen. Following the password guidelines, enter a new password you would like to use for your Login.gov account.

You have confirmed your email address	
Create a strong password	
It must be at least 12 characters long and not be a commonly used password. That's R!	
Password Show password	
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Password strength: Good	
Continue	
Password safety tips	
< Cancel account creation	

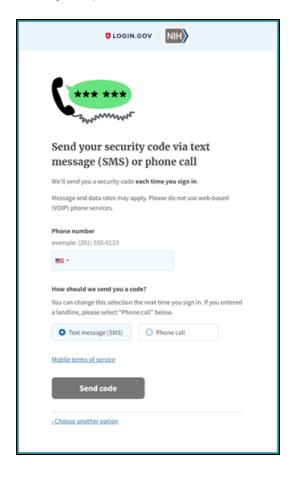
6. Choose an authentication method from the multiple authentication methods available to you (a security code to a phone, a list of codes, an authentication application, a security key, or a government employee ID).

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:co	unt.
0	Keep this information safe. You will be locked out and have to create a new account if you lose your authentication method.
ele	ct an option to secure your account:
C	Security key Use a security key that you have. It's a physical device that you plug in or that is built in to your computer or phone (it often looks like a USB flash drive). Recommended because it is more phishing resistant.
	mune alsone
C	Government employee ID Insert your government or military PIV or CAC card and enter your PIN.
C	Authentication application Get codes from an app on your phone, computer, or tablet. Recommended because it is harder to intercept than texts or phone calls.
C	Phone Get security codes by text message (SMS) or phone call. Please do not use web-based (VOIP) phone services. LESS SECURE
C	Backup codes We'll give you 10 codes. You can use backup codes as your only authentication method, but it is the least recommended method since notes can get lost. Keep them in a safe place.

7. If you select a phone, click the **Phone** radio button, and click **Continue**.

NOTE: If you are unsure if your phone is VOIP, then make sure to use a cell phone.

8. Enter your phone number and click **Send Code**.



- 9. Enter the security code received by text message.
- 10. You will be presented with a confirmation screen showing that your phone was successfully added to your account. Your account creation at Login.gov is now completed. Click the **Agree and Continue** button and you will be redirected back to eRA Commons.

A phone was added to your account.				
You are now signing in for the first time				
We'll share this information with NIH :				
Email address TiberiusKJ@mail.sfa.edu				
NIH will only use this information to connect to your account				
Agree and continue				

STEP THREE — Associate your Login.gov account with your eRA Commons account (one-time only)

After following the STEP TWO procedures, you will be redirected back to eRA Commons and presented with the Associate your eRA Account screen (see below). Enter your eRA credentials – username and password – to associate your Login.gov account with your eRA Commons account. You will only do this once unless you decide to use a different Login.gov account. DO NOT use the new Login.gov credentials for this step--use the eRA Commons credentials you had prior to setting up Login.gov.

Account Management Module	NHY National Institutes of Health Office of Extremunal Research
Associate your eRA Account	
Authentication Source: [] LOGIN.GOV LOGIN.GOV Primary Email Address: toth@nih.gov	 INFORMATION! Please enter your eRA account username and password. Entering an incorrect password multiple times can result in your eRA account being locked.
eRA Credentials	 If you do not remember your eRA account username, please contact your organization's Account Administrator for help.
eRA User ID:	 If you do not remember your eRA account password or your account is locked: Click on the <u>Forgot Password/Unlock Account</u> link and complete the Reset Password/Unlock Account process.
eRA User Password:	 Once your account password is changed, you will be returned to this screen to continue the association process. If you enter a temporary password for your eRA account on this
Continue	screen, you will be redirected to the <i>Change Password</i> screen to set a new permanent password. You will then be returned to this screen to continue the association process.
This is a U.S. Government computer system, which may be accessed and used only for authorized Government business by authorized personnel. Unauthorized access or use of this computer system may subject violators to more	 If you enter a temporary password for your eRA account that has already expired, you will be redirected to the <i>Reset Password</i> screen to restart the Reset Password process. Once you complete that process and your account password is changed, you will be returned to this screen to continue the process to associate your LOGIN.GOV account with your eRA account.

- 2. This association process will not work without the correct eRA credentials. If you are at all unsure of your password, click the **Forgot Password/Unlock Account** link in the blue INFORMATION box. Then follow the onscreen prompts to reset your password:
 - i. First, submit your eRA Commons user ID and the email associated with it.
 - ii. Check your email for a temporary password, then click **Continue** in the *Reset Password* screen below:

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- iii. You are presented with the *Change Password* screen; follow onscreen instructions to reset your password, then click the link for the Commons home page. Make sure to remember this new password.
- iv. You are returned to the *Associate your eRA Account* screen, where you can now enter your correct eRA credentials.
- v. If your eRA credentials are validated, then your Login.gov account will be successfully associated with your eRA Commons account, and you will directly access the eRA Commons.

YOU ARE DONE — You will be returned to eRA Commons. After completing the Login.gov process, you must use the Login.gov login method exclusively to log into eRA Commons from now on. The next time you log into eRA Commons using Login.gov, you will be automatically authenticated and re-directed to eRA Commons.

Accessing eRA Commons after completing Login.gov account creation and association to eRA account:

After you create a Login.gov account and associate your eRA Commons account with it, you must use the Login.gov option on the eRA Commons home screen.

1. On the eRA Commons home screen, click on the **Login.gov** logo in the login section. 2. Log in to eRA Commons with your Login.gov credentials (email and password) and the additional authentication method you set up with your Login.gov account. You will be automatically taken to the eRA Commons landing screen.

TIP: If you do not want to enter a code every time, click the box that states, '**Remember this browser**.' If you use the same browser and computer to log into eRA Commons, Login.gov will remember these settings and not require you to complete the two-factor authentication process each time you log in, and you will directly access the eRA Commons.

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minutes. One-time	security code		
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Troubleshooting login problems with Login.gov

IMPORTANT: Make sure your eRA Commons account is active and you know your account password before attempting to complete the Login.gov process; if you are unsure of either, then use the Forgot Password/Unlock Account link on the main Commons login screen to change your password prior to attempting to associate your Login.gov account with your eRA Commons account.

If you tried to log in using Login.gov, and it did not work, please perform the following before contacting the eRA Service Desk:

- 1. Clear your browser cache/history and then close and restart your browser.
- 2. Make sure you are not using a bookmark that points to an older URL address. Delete your bookmark and go to the main eRA system URL directly. For instance:
 - a. https://public.era.nih.gov/commonsplus/
 - b. https://public.era.nih.gov/assist/
 - c. https://public.era.nih.gov/iar
- If it still does not work, please contact the eRA Service Desk at <u>https://www.era.ni-h.gov/need-help</u>

Federated Institutions/Organizations Commons Login

This topic provides information on the following:

- Logging in with InCommon Federated Account
- Associating your eRA Commons account to your InCommon Federated account
- Troubleshooting issues when associating your InCommon Federated account to your eRA account
- Two-factor authentication for InCommon Federated Accounts (use of InCommon Federated accounts without two-factor authentication is not permitted)

Effective September 15, 2021, several thousand organizations are now available in the type-ahead search box for InCommon Federated accounts on the eRA Commons login screen. While many organizations appear in the list, they don't all support NIH's two-factor authentication standards. To use an InCommon Federated account to login to Commons, your organization must support NIH's two-factor authentication standards and you must have two-factor authentication setup for your organization's account.

When you select an organization from the type-ahead search box and click the Login button, you will be redirected to the organization's sign in site where you will complete the login process for the organization. If the organization supports NIH's two-factor authentication standards, you will be prompted to complete their two-factor authentication login process, and if successful, you will automatically be redirected back to eRA Commons and automatically authenticated and logged in. If your organization does not support NIH's two-factor authentication standards and you do not have two-factor authentication setup for your organization's account, you will not be able to login using your InCommon Federated account. There are several situations where you may receive an error message during the login process, and this depends upon the InCommon Federated organization and how they integrate with NIH Login.

- After you select an organization from the type-ahead search box and click the Login button, you might receive an error message from NIH that says your organization does not support NIH's two-factor authentication standards.
- After you 1) select an organization from the type-ahead search box, 2) click the Login button, 3) and are redirected to the organization's sign in site, you might receive an error message from the InCommon Federated organization that says your organization does not support two-factor authentication.
- After you complete the login process for your organization, you might receive an error message from the InCommon Federated organization that says you have not set up two-factor authentication for your organization's account.

If your InCommon Federated organization does not support NIH's two-factor authentication standards and you do not have two-factor authentication setup for your organization's account, you will be required to use Login.gov; see *Transitioning To and Using Login.gov* on page 68.

Note that the two-factor authentication process and software used to support twofactor authentication varies across InCommon Federated organizations. Specific questions about your organization's ability to support NIH's two-factor authentication standards or the availability of two-factor authentication for your InCommon Federated account can be directed to your Organization Administrators. Compliance and contact information can be found here: <u>https://au</u>-

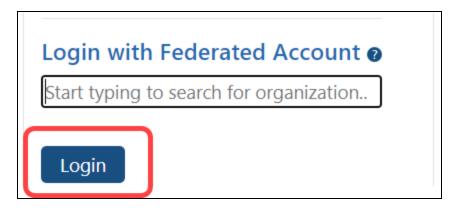
th.nih.gov/CertAuthV3/forms/help/compliancecheckhelp.html

InCommon Federated accounts, previously limited to only eRA scientific accounts, is now opened up to eRA administrative accounts effective September 15, 2021. However, if you have more than one eRA administrative account, wait to switch any of your administrative accounts as eRA is working on a solution that will support users with multiple eRA accounts.

For further information, see <u>Two-Factor Authentication: Access eRA Modules via an</u> InCommon Federated Account.

Accessing Commons with Your Organization Credentials

- 1. Navigate to the <u>Commons login page</u>.
- 2. In the Login with Federated Account section of the login page, type part of your organization's name, then select the appropriate organization from the dropdown. Because the list is long, the dropdown is a type-ahead field, meaning you type all or part of your organization's name and a shorter list drops down, showing only those options that match the text you entered.
- 3. Click the **Login** button.



4. You are redirected to the InCommon Federated organization's login site, where your organization's sign in page displays.

A1 Identity Provider
Login to NIH Dev SP
NetID
> Forgot your NetID Password?
Password Need Help?
Don't Remember Login
Login
NIH
123 Main St. Somewhere, MD 20852 1-800-123-555-0000

5. Enter your InCommon Federated organization account credentials (e.g., username and password).

If two-factor authentication is setup and enabled for your account, you will be prompted to complete the two-factor authentication process for the InCommon Federated organization.

NOTE: The two-factor authentication process and screens are managed by your own organization and not by eRA. If you do not know your credentials at your organization or you are having trouble with your organization's login screen, you

will need to contact your organization. The eRA service desk cannot help you with this screen.

After successfully logging into your organization's account using two-factor authentication, you will be redirected back to eRA Commons. If eRA determines that your organization's account is already associated with your eRA account, you will be successfully logged into Commons and can start using the system without having to log in again.

If your organization account is not linked to your eRA account, you will be prompted to associate your InCommon Federated account with your eRA account. See the next section.

If your InCommon Federated account is not associated with your eRA account:

If eRA determines that your organization's account is not associated with your eRA account, you will be prompted to do so via the *Associate your eRA Account* screen. This is a one-time process.

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Associate your eRA Account				
Authentication Source: DLOGIN.GOV LOGIN.GOV Primary Email Address: toth@nih.gov		 INFORMATION! Please enter your eRA account username and password. Entering an incorrect password multiple times can result in your eRA account being locked. If you do not remember your eRA account username, please contact 		
eRA Credentials	_	 your organization's Account Administrator for help. If you do not remember your eRA account password or your account 		
eRA User ID: eRA User Password:		 If you do not remember your exA account password or your account is locked: Click on the <u>Forgot Password/Unlock Account</u> link and complete the Reset Password/Unlock Account process. Once your account password is changed, you will be returned to this screen to continue the association process. If you enter a temporary password for your eRA account on this screen, you will be redirected to the <i>Change Password</i> screen to set a new permanent password. You will then be returned to this screen to continue the association process. If you enter a temporary password for your eRA account that has 		
This is a U.S. Government computer system, which may be accessed and used only for authorized Government busines by authorized personnel. Unauthorized access or use of this computer system may subject violators to more		already expired, you will be redirected to the <i>Reset Password</i> screen to restart the Reset Password process. Once you complete that process and your account password is changed, you will be returned to this screen to continue the process to associate your LOGIN.GOV account with your eRA account.		

Before You Associate Your eRA Account With Your

InCommon Federated Account

• Make sure your eRA Commons account is active and you know your account password; if you are unsure of either, then use the **Forgot Password/Unlock Account** link in the blue INFORMATION box of the screen; see screenshot above. The Reset Password screen displayed will ask for your User ID (your eRA Commons username that you use to log into Commons) and email address.

• Also, ensure that you not are not using old bookmarked URLs to access eRA Commons. The URL for eRA Commons is <u>https://public.era.nih.gov/commonsplus/</u>.

• Make sure you have an active account with an organization that participates with <u>the</u> <u>InCommon Federation</u> and you know your password. Your organization must support

NIH's two-factor authentication standards and you must have two-factor authentication enabled for your account.

To associate your eRA account with your Incommon Federated Account:

- 1. In the Associate Your eRA Account screen, enter your eRA Commons User ID and password.
- 2. Click the **Continue** button.

If successful, your eRA account will be associated with your organization's account, and you will be successfully logged into Commons and can start using the system without having to login again.

Now that you have completed the one-time association process, you will be able to log into Commons using your InCommon Federated Account without having to enter your eRA account username and password. You will only need to sign into your organization's account using two-factor authentication.

If eRA cannot authenticate the Commons User ID or password you provided, the following message will display:

Either the information entered is invalid or you are not enrolled in the eRA Commons. To keep your information secure, we may lock your account if you continue to enter incorrect login information. Please see your organization's account administrator for assistance (ID: 200523).

Other issues might prevent eRA from associating your accounts. Please read all messages and tips that appear on the screen during this process. You may also refer to the section below titled *Why Can't I Associate My InCommon Federated account to My eRA account?* on page 89.

Why Can't I Associate My InCommon Federated account to My eRA account?

If you are with an organization participating in the InCommon Federation, but you are having trouble associating your eRA account with your organization's account, one of the following scenarios might be the issue:

Are you trying to use a temporary password?

If you have not yet created your own eRA account password and are attempting to associate your accounts using the system-assigned, temporary password for your eRA account, you will receive an error. You must change your eRA account password to one of your choosing before you can associate your accounts.

To do so, navigate to the Commons home page. Use the Commons Login fields to log into Commons with your Commons ID and temporary password. You should be prompted to change the password.

After successfully changing your eRA account password, log back in following the steps described in *Accessing Commons with Your Organization Credentials* on page 85.

Is your current eRA Account password expired?

You will not be able to associate your accounts if your eRA account password is expired. Navigate to the Commons home page. Use the Commons Login fields to log into Commons with your expired password. Commons will present the <u>Change Password</u> screen on which you can update your password.

After successfully changing the password for your eRA account, log back in following the steps described in *Accessing Commons with Your Organization Credentials* on page 85.

Is your eRA account locked due to multiple unsuccessful logins?

You can reset your eRA account by clicking the **Forgot Password/Unlock Account** link on eRA Commons home page. Commons will generate a new, temporary password for you.

Once you follow the steps for changing the temporary password for your eRA account to one of your choosing, you can log back in following the steps described in *Accessing Commons with Your Organization Credentials* on page 85.

In all other cases, please contact the <u>eRA Service Desk</u> to resolve this issue.

Create or Edit a Commons Account

You can edit eRA Commons accounts, or create new ones (such as for a PD/PI), using the **Admin/Account Management** module if you have one of the following eRA Commons roles:

- SO (signing official). Can create accounts of any role type except IAR, including creating additional SO accounts. See *Signing Official (SO)* on page 129.
- AO (administrative official). Can create all accounts except SO, BO, FCOI accounts, and IAR accounts
- AA (account administrator). Can create all Commons accounts except SO, FCOI accounts, and IAR accounts
- BO (business official). Can create all accounts except SO, BO, FCOI accounts, and IAR accounts

Principal investigators (PIs) and other scientific users cannot create their own accounts. Commons accounts are created by users with the roles mentioned above or via invitation, appointment, or institutional registration (see additional links below).

The basic steps for creating an account for a new staff member at your organization are:

- 1. First search for the new person's account across all organizations to make sure the person does not yet have an eRA account. When you clear the **Search only within my organization** checkbox, a search in *Admin* searches users from all organizations.
- 2. If an existing eRA account cannot be found, click **Create New Account** and fill out contact info and assign roles to make a new account; see *Creating a New User Account* on page 94.
- 3. **If the person** *does* **exist, and they have a PI or other scientific role (example: trainee)**, you should affiliate the person to your institution instead of creating a new account. PI and other scientific roles are intended to be used throughout the investigator's career regardless of their current institutional affiliation(s); see *Editing an Existing eRA User Account* on page 99.

Administering Accounts (Editing Roles, Affiliating Users, Helping Users with Login)

eRA users with administrative roles (listed in previous section) can do the following in Admin.

- Edit a user's assigned roles. For instance, you might want to change an AA or PD/PI account to a SO account in the case of a promotion to other duties. Some roles conflict; for instance, a PD/PI, which is a scientific role, cannot co-exist with an SO role, which is administrative, so you might have to delete some roles to add others.
- Affiliate a non-administrative user (such as a PI) to your own institution. Suppose a PI at another institution is going to work on one of your institute's awards, or suppose the PI is moving from another institution to your institution. In either case, you can use Admin to associate the existing PI account to your institution.
- Help a user from your institution who is having trouble logging in with eRA credentials. You can reset the user's password or change the user's email (where password reset emails go). The eRA credentials are different from Login.gov credentials; for Login.gov help, see *Detailed Login.gov Steps and Troubleshooting* on page 72.

Searching for an eRA Account

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Account Management** menu option under Accounts.



Figure 18: Admin navigation, showing Account Management

The Search Accounts screen opens. You'll notice that there is no **Create New Account** button displayed at this time. You cannot create a new account until you perform a search for the account first. This measure is in place to help avoid the creation of duplicate accounts.

MM Manage Accounts AMM User Re	eports	
Search Accounts 🛛		
\checkmark Search Criteria		
Search only within my organization	on 📵	
NOTE! You must enter at least one se	arch field, besides User Type and	Account Status.
User Type	Account Status	User ID
Commons ~	All	•
Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
Email	Roles 🕄	
		Clear Q Search

Figure 19: Admin Search Accounts screen, where you can search for users within your organization or across organizations. Searching is the first step to creating a new account.

3. Enter search criteria, such as the person's (**Last Name**, **First Name**), for the person you are seeking.

Search even if you plan to make a new account, to ensure the person does not already have an account. By default, the **Search only within my organization** checkbox is *not* marked, which means you are searching ALL eRA Commons accounts for all organizations.

TIP: Use the percent character, %, as a wildcard.

If accounts appear in the Search Results, you can:

- Click the linked **Name** to see *Funding Support*, which also includes employment history, for the user. This can help you positively identify a user in the case of duplicate names found.
- Click the **Manage** button to change affiliation, change roles, change the user's email (where their password reset emails go), or to reset their password (meaning they get a password reset email with a temporary password).
- If you find the person you are looking to add to your organization, click **Manage** and use the **Affiliate** button to affiliate the person to your institution. You can affiliate only those with scientific (research-related) accounts (such as PI), not those with administrative accounts (such as SO).
- Click Create New Account to create a new user (after searching to ensure the user does not already exist). After performing the search, the Create New Account button becomes enabled; see the next section.

Creating a New User Account

If you search for a person who is coming onboard to your organization, but you do not find the person, you can create a new account for the person.

1. After you search for a person (see above section), click the Create New Account button.

MM Manage Accounts A	MM User Reports	
Search Accounts	0	
	ut No Records were Found . Here are seve rch by adding more search parameters.	
imes Search Criteria		
Search only within my o	organization 🕄	
NOTE! You must enter at	least one search field, besides User Type a	and Account Status.
User Type	Account Status	User ID
Commons	✓ All	✓
Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
Budge	Cob	
Email	Roles 🜖	
		Clear Q Search
		Let Create New Account

The *Create Account* screen displays. The **User Type** should default to **Commons** and the **Primary Organization** should default to that of your own. The **User Type** field can be changed if necessary.

	ints AMM User Reports		
Create Acco * Required Fields	ount 👔		
User Informat	ion		
User Type *			
Commons	*		
User ID *			
Primary Organizatio	on *		
STATE UNIV			
	mation		
	mation First Name *	Middle Name	
Contact Inforr		Middle Name	
Contact Inforr		Middle Name	
Contact Inforr Last Name *	First Name *	Middle Name	
Contact Inforr Last Name * Email *	First Name *	Middle Name	
Contact Inforr Last Name *	First Name *	Middle Name	

- On the *Create Account* screen, fill out the fields. Note that all fields except **Middle** Name are required.
 - User Type: Select Commons from the drop-down list if it is not already displayed.
 - **User ID**: Enter a unique name as the system user ID. Take care with entering this ID, as it is not changeable after account creation.
 - **Primary Organization**: This field defaults to your organization and cannot be changed. If an individual needs to be affiliated with your organization and already has a non-administrative account with another institution (primarily Primary Investigators - PI), search for them outside of your organization and affiliate their existing account with your institution.
 - Last Name
 - First Name
 - Middle Name

- **Email**. This email will be used for password resets (i.e. when the user clicks 'Forgot Password' on the eRA Commons login screen).
- Confirm Email

After entering contact information, you must assign a role to the account; if you do not add a role, you get an error when you try to save the new user.

3. Click the + Add Roles button to open the AMM | Add Roles window.

The organization defaults to your institution and cannot be changed. A list of available roles appears. Note that more roles appear if you are an SO vs. other administrative roles. For instance, only an SO can assign a SO role to another user.

AMM Add Roles	×
Organization	
STATE UNIV	
Role(s) (to multi-select, please use ctrl or shift keys)	
FSR - Financial Reporting users	
GRADUATE_STUDENT - Graduate Student - role is used for tracking purposes. User has access to person LRPS - Gives user ability to perform service and research verifications.	าเ
OLAW_REPORT_USER_ROLE - OLAW personnel - Role used for runing external report	
PACR - Public Access Compliance Role - Role used for tracking purposes	
PD/PI - Project Director/Principal Investigator	
POSTDOC - POSTDOC - role I is used to track users using the xTrain module	
PROJECT_PERSONNEL - Gives user ability to manage/edit foreign component data in FACTS	
SCIENTIST - Scientist - role is used for biomedical workforce tracking and progress reports	
SO - Signing Official	-
Close Add Role(s	s)

4. Select the role(s) for the new account.

Use Ctrl+click to select multiple roles. (Shift+click selects multiple contiguous roles.) Some roles conflict with one another and should not be assigned at the same time, such as PD/PI and SO, or any scientific role along with an administrative role. An error message will occur when you try to save the new user account if you assign conflicting roles.

5. Click the **Add Role(s)** button in the *Add Roles* popup. The *Create Account* screen now lists the roles you selected. If you made a mistake, you can click the **Remove** button in the **Action** column to remove a role.

Roles * @		
+ Add Roles × Remove All		
Filter Table	3 Results	I of 1 ∨ >
Role(s) [▲]	Organization(s) ≑	Action
SO	STATE UNIV	Remove
PD/PI	. STATE UNIV .	★ Remove
PROJECT_PERSONNEL	STATE UNIV	× Remove
		Close Clear Create

Figure 20: Roles section of Create Account screen showing Remove buttons next to roles

6. Click the **Create** button to create the new account.

A success message appears at top and the read-only *Account Details* screen appears. Alternatively, if there were errors, errors are listed at top; see the next section.

If you need to change the account you just created, click the **Manage** button. When editing an account, you can no longer change the User ID or name. You can, however, edit the email, roles, affiliation, or reset the password. See *Editing an Existing eRA User Account* on page 99 below.

The new account holder will get two emails at the email you specified; one contains a temporary password and the other contains the user ID.

The person for whom the account was created can edit all their personal and contact information using Personal Profile after they log in to Commons.

Possible Errors When Creating an Account

A variety of errors might appear when you click **Create** to save a new account. A red bar appears at the top listing errors.

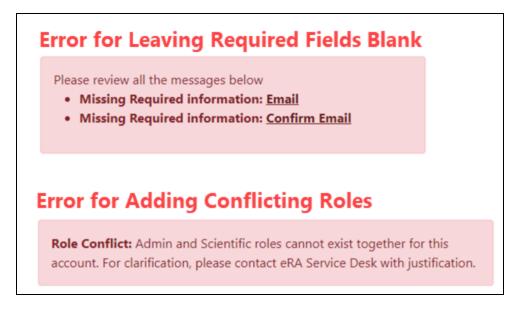


Figure 21: Possible errors you might receive after clicking Create to create a new account

Editing an Existing eRA User Account

Steps for an SO or account administrator to edit existing accounts:

- 1. Search for existing accounts as described in *Searching for an eRA Account* on page 92.
- 2. On the account you want to edit, click the **Manage** button.

Search Re	esults					
Filter Results: Filter Table 6 Results				of 1 🗸 📏		
User ID ‡	Name 👔 🔺	Email 🗢	Account Status 🕈	Roles & Affiliations ≑	Login via Login.gov 🕄 ¢	Action
AARON	Smith, Aaro	eRATest@mail.nih.go v	Active	PD/PI • State Univ	OPTIONAL	Manage

Figure 22: Search results in Admin module showing Manage button

The Manage Account screen opens.

Manage Accour	nt 🛛	
	count are not saved until you hit t iate someone, he/she is not actually	
* Required Fields		
User Information		
Account Status:	Active	
User Type *		
Commons	~	
User ID *		
AARON		
Primary Organization *		
STATE UNIV		
Login via 2FA 🚯 : OPTIO	NAL	
2FA Exemption Expiration	n Date 🕕:	
MM/DD/YYYY		
2FA Mapping Completion		
Contact Information	ON First Name *	Middle Name
Smith	Aaro	
Email * eRATest@mail.nih.gov	Confirm Email * eRATest@mail.nih.gov	—]
	etortest@mail.im.gov	
Roles 👔		
+ Add Roles × Unaffilia	te	
Filter Table	2 Results	▲ ■ < 1 of 1 < >
Role(s) [▲]	Organization(s) ≑	Action
PD/PI	STATE UNIV	× Remove
		Close Reset Password Save

Figure 23: Manage Account screen, where an organization's administrator can edit roles, affiliate/unaffiliate user with this institution, reset password, and change the email for password resets.

- To edit roles, click the Add Roles button.
 Be sure to add ONLY scientific (PI, POSTDOC, etc) OR administrative (SO, AA, etc) to an account, but not both, as they are incompatible.
- To change the account holder's email, enter the new email in the **Email** fields. If the user then clicks '**Forgot Password**,' the password reset email will go to this email address.
- To affiliate the user with your institution, click Affiliate.
 The Affiliate button appears ONLY if the user you are viewing is NOT currently affiliated with your institution. If the user IS currently affiliated, then an 'Unaffiliate' button appears instead. Use Unaffiliate to remove a user from your institution if they have changed institutions and no longer work at yours.
- To reset a user's password (available ONLY for users within your institution), click the **Reset Password** button.

This triggers a password reset email to be sent to the email address in the **Email** fields.

Additional Information

- Account Management Module online help
- <u>Creating an Account to Access IAR (Internet Review Module)</u>
- eRA Commons Registration & Accounts
- <u>eRA Commons Accounts: Who and How and Where</u> click here for one-page
 <u>PDF version</u>
- Institution Registration and Account Creation (Training Videos)

About eRA Commons

eRA Commons is a Web-based system for applicants and institutions to participate in the electronic grant administration process.

In eRA Commons (Commons), grant applicants, grantees, and federal staff at NIH and grantor agencies can access and share administrative information relating to research grants. If you are registering a new institution, see https://www.era.nih.gov/register-accounts/register-in-era-commons.htm. If you are affiliated with a registered institution and need an eRA Commons account, contact your institution's signing official or account administrator.

NIH extramural grantee organizations, Operating Divisions (OpDivs), grantees, and the public are the primary users of Commons, and each type of user is assigned a specific role (or roles). Depending on your role, you can perform a variety of functions in Commons, including:

- Track the status of your grant application through the submission process, while viewing errors and/or warnings and checking the assembled grant image.
- View summary statements and score letters following the initial review of your application
- View the notice of award (NoA) and other key documents.
- Submit Just-in-Time (JIT) information required by the grantor agency prior to a final award decision.
- Submit the required documentation, including the Financial Status Report/Federal Financial Report and

Final Research Performance Progress Report (Final RPPR) to close out your grant.

- Submit a No-Cost Extension notification that the grantee has exercised its onetime authority to extend without funds the final budget period of a grant.
- Submit an annual progress report electronically.
- Manage personal and institutional profiles.

NOTE: All attachments should be submitted in PDF format with a maximum size of 6MB.

See:

Welcome to eRA Commons! on page 37

First-Time Login With Temporary Password on page 144

Logging into eRA Commons on page 62

Registering Institutions and Organizations on page 45

Basics and Navigation for eRA Modules

For increased usability, eRA modules are gradually switching to a streamlined, modern, mobile-friendly look and feel for screens. The new look and the new navigation adjust dynamically for a variety of screen or font sizes, making your browsing experience more efficient on the device of your choice. New user interface elements offer a consistent set of tools that you can use across modules. A new header and footer conserve space, leaving more work area for you to accomplish your tasks.

This topic explores the new navigation and user interface elements that you might see on updated screens. All modules will eventually use the same framework for building the appearance and navigation for screens. Older style screens will co-exist with updated screens during the transition to the new look and feel. Not all screen elements shown here will appear in all modules.

Read this topic to learn about:

- Header/footer for eRA modules
- Navigation to and within modules
- Actions column and how it might be replaced by an ellipsis (three-dot) dropdown in a row
- Standard tools for tables
- How columns are hidden and shown on small screens

Header and Footer Navigation

A <u>mixture of older and newer headers</u> appears throughout screens in eRA Commons. During a period of transition, you will see both older and newer style screens in eRA Commons and eRA modules.

The new header and footer use symbols to save screen real estate and dynamically adjust to fit smaller screens.

	Commons Commonsplus	National Institutes of Health	0 4 1
Status			

Figure 24: Full eRA Header with Main Menu at left, which displays module navigation, outlined

The first icon from left is the Main Menu. The Main Menu shows all apps available to the currently logged-in user, shown below:



Figure 25: Expanded Main Menu, showing all modules to which you have access

Other Icons in Header

Links to the Department of Health and Human Services.



Links to a general eRA Service Desk Support page.



Links to a general eRA Service Desk Support page.

The person icon shows your login information, institution, roles, email preferences, and sign out link:

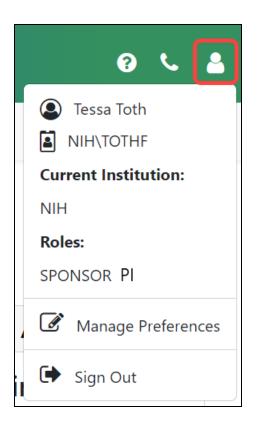


Figure 26: Person icon menu, showing name, user ID, institution, roles, and sign out link

Dynamic Header

Below, on a narrow screen, most items on the header are hidden, but they pop down when you click the grid icon in the upper right, outlined below.



Figure 27: Narrow eRA Header, which hides all banner options under a bento box icon, shown at right

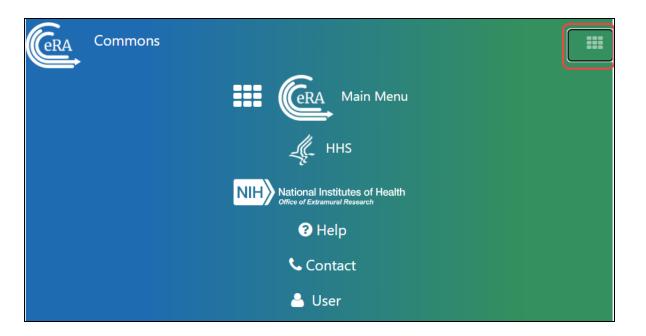


Figure 28: Narrow eRA Header, which has been expanded to show all banner options after bento box icon is clicked

Redesigned Footer

The footer is clean and offers only essential information organized into columns.

 Help Contact Us 	♥ Privacy Notice♂. Accessibility▲ Disclaimer	 NIH - Office of Extramural Research U.S. Department of Health and Human Services 	Screen Rendered: 07/08/2020 06:53:13 EDT LISTOFREVIEWERS@3667
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Figure 29: eRA Footer

Navigating Within a Module

The module abbreviation, circled below left, lets you quickly see which module you are working in.

	A Commo l ➡ xTrain	ns 🦺	NIH National Institutes of Health Office of Extramural Research	?	فر	<u>-</u>
xTrain Hom	e Awarded Grants	WIP Forms 🔻	Diversity Reporting Person Search			

Figure 30: Navigation within a module, showing module name at left and module pages in navigation along top under banner

The sections of the modules are listed across the top, with the current section highlighted in gray, circled above.

To navigate to the screens available under each section, click the section name to see a dropdown that shows all screen names, as shown below.



Figure 31: Module Navigation with Dropdowns of Screen Names

If the screen size is small, all the app section names are collapsed under a three-line icon, shown below.

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Figure 32: Module Navigation is collapsed when narrow, with bento box icon at right which when clicked shows all module top navigation

When clicked, the three-line icon shows all module navigation in vertical form, below.

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Application Admin 👻	
Reviewers and People Lists 👻	
Catalog of Prospect Lists Person Administration Advanced Person Search	
Meeting Admin 👻	
Reviewer Assignments 🔻	
Data Maintenance 🔻	
Reports -	
Sort Prefs	
SEP Aggregate Roster	

Figure 33: Module navigation expanded, when screen is narrow and all top navigation is under bento box icon at right

Actions Column Replaced by Ellipsis Menu

Actions that are available for each row in a table might be displayed under a three-dot ellipsis icon instead of an **Actions** column, as shown below. This happens if there are three or more actions to be displayed. If only one action item is listed, then the column will list that action as the header and have an 'x' in the body of the column.

Application/Award ID 💠		Grants.gov Tracking # 💠	
5K08AG050505-02	•••		
	RP	'PR	
1R21AR020202-01A1 (MPI	Hu	ıman Subjects	

Figure 34: Three-dot ellipsis menu replaces action menu and displays actions that can be taken on a record in a table

Standard Tools for Tables

Tables are sleeker with tools for showing the data you want to see.

Filter Table	367 Results		≵ 🖪 <	1 of 15 🗸 🔪
(≡ -) Application/Award ID ≑	Grants.gov Tracking # ≑	Proposal Title ≑		PD/PI Name ≑

Figure 35: Section of a table header with standard table tools, shown outlined

Filter Table

Entering filter text features instant filtering of the list as you type, with the number of found results updated as you type. The text you type in the filter field is highlighted in the table.

Filter Table	367 Results
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Figure 36: Filter Table Field with Number of Found Results

Selecting Rows/Bulk Action Tool

Use the bulk actions tool $\exists \cdot d$ to select or deselect all, and to show selected rows only or all rows. Other bulk action tools might also let you mark or clear the checkboxes of all currently visible rows (such as those found by typing filter text).

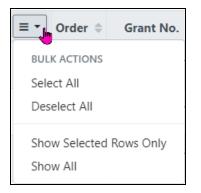


Figure 37: Bulk Actions Tool Lets you Show/Hide and Select/Unselect Rows

Check All marks all checkboxes regardless of the number of pages of records shown. In other words, if there are 10 pages of records available, with only the first page currently visible, **Check All** marks all enabled checkboxes on all pages. By contrast, **Check All Visible** marks only those enabled checkboxes on the currently visible page. See **Page Navigation** below for directions on how to navigate between pages of data.



Figure 38: Bulk select tool example

Column Picker

Click to choose the visible columns in a table by selecting/deselecting their checkboxes. The column selection is only in effect until you navigate to another screen.



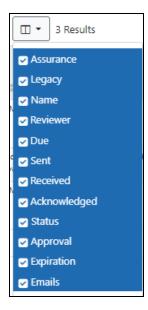


Figure 39: Expanded Column Picker, which lets you choose which columns are visible

Column Sorting

Click column headers to sort by that column.

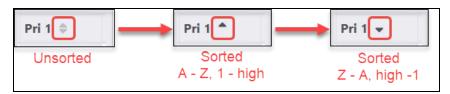


Figure 40: Sort indicators in table columns

Download and Print

Use the download tool , shown below, to export table data to Excel or PDF, or to print. Data from all columns is exported/printed even if only a subset of columns are visible.

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Ð	ORT
Ŕ	Excel
Ø	PDF
₽	Print

Figure 41: Download Tool lets you print or export to Excel or PDF

Rows Per Page

To help avoid scrolling, use the grid tool to specify how many table rows appear per page.

Ħ	
ROWS PER PAGE	
25	
50	
100	
200	
ALL	

Figure 42: Grid Tool lets you choose number of rows displayed per page

Page Navigation

Navigate to each page of search results using the following tool:



Figure 43: Navigation to move between pages of search results

Instantly scroll back to the top of the page by clicking the "Back to Top" button, which appears on selected screens that show long search results. The button is an up arrow in a yellow rectangle and appears at the bottom right of the screen, when applicable:

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\leftarrow	C 🖞 https://public.te	st.era.nih.gov/comm	onsplus/status/search.era	Q A [®]	☆	巾 ረ≐	<u>ب</u>	~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
	1001CA290040-01	GRANT13942432	agement of primary care	4	29	4	25	•
	1R21MD010101-01A1 •••	GRANT13937834	Intersectional Health Link	09/01/202 4	08/31/20 26	09/01/202 4	08/31/20 25	
	1R35GM050505-01 •••	GRANT13884068	Functional control system	09/01/202 4	08/31/20 29	09/01/202 4	08/31/20 25	

Figure 44: Yellow "back to top" button with up arrow in a yellow rectangle, used to instantly scroll to the top of search results

Expanding Table Rows to Reveal More Information

Some tables have an indicator at the beginning of each row that more information can be viewed for the row.



Figure 45: 'More Info' triangle icons at the beginning of rows in a table

If you see a triangle pointing to the right at the beginning of a row, click it for more information on the record.

Relinquishing Statement Search Results 🛛									
Search Criteria: RS Search Type: Search for Awards									
Filter Table 3 Results									
Application/Award ID 🔺	Proposal Title ≑	PD/PI Name 🌲	Application Status ≑	Budget Period Start Date ≑	Budget Period End Date ≑				
2R15GM030303-03	Chlamydia trachomatis	MACNA, MEG	Awarded. Non-fellowships only	06/01/2023	05/31/2026				
► 5R01ES040404-04	Understanding airway disease	SAALA, INI	Awarded. Non-fellowships only	02/01/2023	01/31/2024				
▶ 5R21DC090909-03 ···	Effects of Stimulation for Aphasia	DUNYOG, ELLES	Awarded. Non-fellowships only	09/01/2022	08/31/2024				

Figure 46: Triangle shown at beginning of table row indicates that there is hidden information for the row

The triangle turns downwards and expands the row to show additional information.

Relinquishing Statement Search Results 🛛									
Search Criteria: RS Search Type: Search for Awards									
Filter Table 3 Results									
Application/Award ID 🔺	Proposal Title ≑	PD/PI Name 🌲	Application Status ≑	Budget Period Start Date 🌲	Budget Period End Date ≑				
2R15GM030303-03	Chlamydia trachomatis	MACNA, MEG	Awarded. Non-fellowships only	06/01/2023	05/31/2026				
Relinquishing State	ements								
Relinquishing Statem	ent 12586 🚥								
Submitted to Ag RS Submitted Date: 11/14/2023									
► 5R01ES040404-04	Understanding airway disease	SAALA, INI	Awarded. Non-fellowships only	02/01/2023	01/31/2024				
► 5R21DC090909-03	Effects of Stimulation for Aphasia	DUNYOG, ELLES	Awarded. Non-fellowships only	09/01/2022	08/31/2024				

Figure 47: Click the triangle at the beginning of a table row to show more information about the record

The triangle also appears for some tables if you narrow the window containing the table. Below, a wide screen shows several columns.

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•	Application/Award		Proposal Title 🗘	Organization 🌲	Name ≑	Status ≑	Council ‡
	1I01BX010101-01A1	•••	Regulation of cell	HEALTH ADMINISTRATION	Harr, Davi	Submitted	200908
	1I01RX060606-01A1	•••	Effects of Yoga	VA HOSPITAL	Pard, Yook	Released	200910

Figure 48: Full screen showing all columns

When the screen is narrowed, the **Status** column and **Council** column are not visible in the table, as shown below.

Filter Ta	ible	▼ 440 Results	*	1 of 18 🗸 🕨
	Application/Award	Proposal Title 💠	Organization 🗘	Name ≑
	1I01BX010101-01A1 •••	Regulation of cell	HEALTH ADMINISTRATION	Harr, Davi
•	1I01RX060606-01A1 •••	Effects of Yoga	VA HOSPITAL	Pard, Yook

Figure 49: Narrow screen where the two rightmost columns are hidden

All hidden columns are available by clicking the 'More Info' triangle in the first column, which expands the row to show the two missing columns:

∃ •	Application/Award				
•	ID \$		Proposal Title 🗘	Organization 🗘	Name ≑
-	1I01BX010101-01A1	•••	Regulation of cell	HEALTH ADMINISTRATION	Harr, Davi
Stat Cou	ncil 200908				

Figure 50: Click the triangle at the left of a row to show hidden columns below

Understanding Grant Numbers

A grant number provides unique identification for the grant. The figure below shows an example of a complete NIH grant number.

Sample Grant Number: 1 R01 CA 123456-01A1

Application Type	Activity Code	Institute/Center (IC)	Serial Number	Support Year	Extension
1	R01	CA	123456	01	A1

The grant number is comprised of the following parts:

Application Type: Indicates the type of application (e.g., new, renewal, non-competing, etc.)

Activity Code: Represents the specific category of support (e.g., research projects, fellowships, etc.)

Institute/Center Code: The code for the NIH Institute/Center (IC) associated with the grant

Serial Number: The unique number - assigned by the NIH Center for Scientific Research (CSR)- identifying the specific application

Support Year: Indicates the current year of support (e.g., an 01 support year is a new grant)

Suffix Code: An optional code used for supplements, amendments, or fellowship institutional allowances

- 'A' and related number identifies the amendment number (example: A1 = resubmission);
- 'S' and related number identifies the revision record and follows the grant year or the amendment designation to which additional funds have been awarded.
- 'X' and related number identifies a fellowship's institutional allowance record. Allowance designations also follow the grant year or other designation(example: AG 12345-01X1 and HD 12345-02S1X2)
- 'P' and related number indicates a pre-application.

• D% (where % is a number) marks resubmissions and/or renewal applications that were withdrawn prior to the issuance of a summary statement at the request of the applicant and a subsequent version of that resubmission or renewal was submitted.

For more complete information on deciphering the grant number, see:

https://www.era.nih.gov/files/Deciphering-NIH-Application.pdf

For additional information types of grant programs, access the Grants & Funding website at: <u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/funding/funding_program.htm</u>.

Searching for Awards by Awarding Office/IC (Search Criteria)

For increased flexibility in searching, a new search field has been added to search screens in the Status (for signing officials only), FFR, and RPPR modules. The new **Awarding Office/IC** field lets you narrow searches to only those awards that have been granted by the agencies, departments, offices, or ICs that you specify.

This new search field offers powerful tools for finding and selecting the ICs or agencies that you want included in your search criteria. It provides a consistent set of tools that you can use across modules when searching for an award.

Below is an example of the search field as it appears in the Status module when a signing official (SO) is performing a search.

tatus					
Search	Туре:	General		~ 0	
Type ex: 5		e IC/Institute	Serial # ex: 123456	Support Yr.	Suffix ex: A1
Project Nu		-0 (Minimum 4 ch		ding Office/IC	None

Figure 51: Awarding Office/IC field and button on the Status Search Type screen for SOs

Using the Awarding Office/IC Field

1. Click the Change Selections button under Awarding Office/IC.

You see a popup with upper level governmental Departments that grant awards and are supported by eRA.

Q Enter charac	ters to highlight the result	t in the tree below			
Select All D	eselect All				
	DEPARTMENT OF	HEALTH & HUMAN	I SERVICES (DHHS)		
> 🗌 DOC -	- U.S. Department of	Commerce (DoC) (DOC)		
> 🗌 VA	Veterans Affairs (VA)				
				Cancel	Save Selectio

Figure 52: Select Awarding Office/IC popup, where you can narrow a search to awards granted only by specific agencies, departments, or ICs

- 2. Click the arrows at left to drill down and see the grantor organizations (agencies/departments/offices/ICs) that reside underneath these Departments.
- 3. Mark the checkboxes of the grantor organizations that you want to include in your project search.
- 4. Click the Save Selection(s) button.

The button on the search screen updates to reflect the number of awarding organizations to include in the project search. In the following example, when you perform your search, results will appear for only the 29 selected grantor organizations that were selected on the *Select Awarding Office/IC* popup.

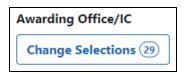


Figure 53: Awarding Office/IC field with Change Selections button showing how many offices/ICs are currently selected

Tips for Finding and Marking Grantor Organizations

- To select all grantor organizations, click the **Select All** link. Likewise click **Deselect All** to unselect all organizations.
- Type at least three characters in the search box at the top of the popup. All grantor
 organizations with matching text are instantly expanded so you can see them and
 the typed text is highlighted. You can then click the Select All Highlighted link to
 select all organizations with highlight that matches the typed text.

Q NOAA	
Select All Deselect All Select All Highlighted	
> DHHS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (DHHS)	
V DOC U.S. Department of Commerce (DoC) (DOC)	
DOC/CENSU US Census Bureau (CENSUS) (CENSU)	
> DOC/DOCOS DoC Office of the Secretary (DOC-OS) (DOCOS)	
> DOC/EDA Economic Development Administration (EDA) (EDA)	
DOC/ITA International Trade Administration (ITA) (ITA)	
> DOC/MBDA Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) (MBDA)	
DOC/NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) (NOAA)	
DOC/NOAA/NESDI National Environmental Satellite Data and Information Service (NESDIS) (NESDI)	
DOC/NOAA/NFA Office of Finance and Administration (NFA) (NFA)	
DOC/NOAA/NMFS National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) (NMFS)	
DOC/NOAA/NOS National Ocean Service (NOS) (NOS)	
DOC/NOAA/NWS National Weather Service (NWS) (NWS)	
DOC/NOAA/OAR Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR) (OAR)	
DOC/NOAA/SEC Office of the Under Secretary (USEC) (SEC)	
DOC/NTIA National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) (NTIA)	
V VA Veterans Affairs (VA)	

Figure 54: Select Awarding Office/IC popup, showing highlighted items, which can be selected all at once by clicking the Select All Highlighted option

• To select a group of organizations, select a checkbox; all organizations underneath (subordinate to) that organization are also selected. In the example below, the

DOC/CENSU checkbox was selected by a user and the items underneath it were automatically selected as well.

Q Enter characters to highlight the result in the tree below	
Select All Deselect All	
> DHHS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES (DHHS)	
DOC U.S. Department of Commerce (DoC) (DOC)	
✓ ✓ DOC/CENSU US Census Bureau (CENSUS) (CENSU)	
DOC/CENSU/ADR Associate Director for Research and Methodology (ADR) (ADR)	
DOC/CENSU/ADR/ADRM Assistant Director for Research and Methodology (ADRM) (ADRM)	
DOC/CENSU/ADR/CARRA Center for Administrative Records Research and Applications (CARRA) (C/	ARRA)
> DOC/DOCOS DoC Office of the Secretary (DOC-OS) (DOCOS)	
> DOC/EDA Economic Development Administration (EDA) (EDA)	
> DOC/ITA International Trade Administration (ITA) (ITA)	
> DOC/MBDA Minority Business Development Agency (MBDA) (MBDA)	
> DOC/NOAA National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) (NOAA)	
DOC/NTIA National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) (NTIA)	

Figure 55: Select Awarding Office/IC popup, where you can select a higher level organization, which automatically selects all those organizations contained in the top level organization

User Roles

To log in to Commons and access its features, you must have a Commons account with assigned user role(s). User roles determine which features you can employ, the tasks you can perform, and the level of access you have to information. Commons roles range from trainee roles to scientific roles to administrative roles. User roles are mostly assigned to you by your signing official or account administrator, except for the IAR (peer reviewer) role, which is assigned by a scientific review officer.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). The only roles applicable to awards from DOC are PI, SO, AO, AA, FSR, and IAR . A user might have roles beyond this list, but other roles have no effect and give no privileges on the user if they are administering DOC awards.

The following is a list of user roles which may be associated to your account. Refer to the section on that role for more information.

- <u>AA</u>: Account Administrator at an organization, who facilitates the administration of Commons accounts.
- **<u>AO</u>**: Administrative Official of an organization.
- **ASST**: An assistant who may be delegated to perform tasks on behalf of the PD/PI.
- **BO**: Business Official at an organization who manages trainee grants and uses the xTrain module.
- **FCOI**: Those at an organization who manage the Financial Conflict of Interest module and report submission.
- **FSR**: A person in an organization responsible for completing and submitting Federal Financial Reports (FFR).
- Graduate: Role assigned to an individual who is a graduate student and is participating in an NIH-funded project for at least one person month. Refer to the following guide notice for more information: <u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-13-</u> 097.html.
- **<u>IAR</u>**: A Reviewer selected by Scientific Review Officer (SRO*) assigned to critique and score applications in a review meeting. These Reviewers use the Internet Assisted Review (IAR) module.

- **PACR**: Having this role provides access to the Public Access Compliance Report system via the Commons home page.
- **<u>PI</u>**: Program Director/Principal Investigator (also called PD/PI), who directs a research project or program supported by the NIH.
- **POSTDOC**: POSTDOC role exists in Commons for those at an institution serving in a postdoctoral role. This could be someone who is being mentored and not yet in a permanent position.
- **Project Personnel**: Role assigned to an individual performing other project roles on a project. Refer to the following guide notice for more information: <u>https://-</u> <u>grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-13-097.html</u>.
- **SO**: Organization's Signing Official, who has the institutional authority to legally bind the institution in grant-administration matters.
- **SPONSOR**: Sponsors supervise the research training experience of individual fellows supported by fellowship awards in the xTrain module.
- **TRAINEE**: TRAINEE user manages the electronic appointments of their own awarded training grants.
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- **Undergraduate**: Role assigned to an individual who is in an undergraduate program and is participating in an NIH-funded project for at least one person month. Refer to the following guide notice for more information: <u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-13-097.html</u>.

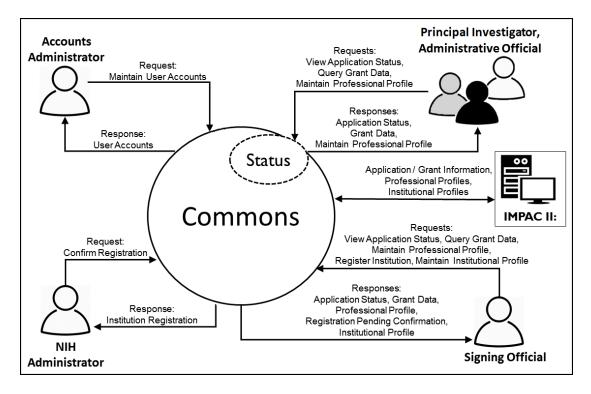


Figure 56: Commons User Roles Diagram

TIP: *Other Transaction Authority (OTA) - Some screens and terminology may be different in order to accommodate review of OTA, a type of award that is neither a grant nor a contract but a different way of funding that is being used across NIH. These changes will typically not be visible to NIH or agency reviewers.

Account Administrator (AA)

Designated by the SO, the AA facilitates the administration of eRA Commons accounts for their own institution. The AA typically is located in the Central Research Administration Office at the awardee organization.

If you hold an AA role, you have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- Create accounts and modify all Commons roles except IAR and FCOI roles
- Reset password for users at their institution
- Create affiliation between an existing PI or IAR Commons account and the institution

Administrative Official (AO)

An AO is an official within an extramural organization and may be located within the Central Research Administration Office and/or an academic department. Depending on an institution's workflow process, it is possible for the SO and AO to be the same person. In this case, only SO authority is necessary (as SO authority supersedes AO authority).

SO and AO authorities should not be combined.

NOTE: An AO is not authorized to submit reports to the NIH.

If you hold an AO role, you have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- Create all accounts other than IAR, TRAINEE, and FCOI
- Update Commons accounts created by the AO
- View status and award information for all institution grants

NOTE: The AO cannot view summary statements or priority scores.

 Create affiliation between an existing PD/PI or IAR Commons account and the institution

NOTE: An AO cannot modify the Institution Profile.

Assistant (ASST)

An ASST user can perform tasks on behalf of a PD/PI depending on the authority granted to the ASST user.

If you hold an ASST role, you may have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- Edit your own personal profile (PPF) data
- Edit the PD/PI's PPF if delegated by a PI user
- Edit the PD/PI's progress report data if delegated by the PI user
- View the PD/PI Grant Status if delegated by the PI user
- Perform PD/PI xTrain functions (except submit to agency) if delegated by the PI user

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. This role is not used by DOC. If you have this role, it does not give you privileges for DOC awards.

Business Official (BO)

A BO has signature or other authority related to administering grantee institution training grants. Users with the BO role perform their tasks in the xTrain module and IBO Portal of Commons.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. This role is not used by DOC. If you have this role, it does not give you privileges for DOC awards.

If you hold a BO role, you have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- View the following Training Grant related items:
 - Trainee Roster
 - List of Grants
 - Grant Summary
 - Routing History
 - PDF-formatted Appointments/Amendments/Terminations
- Initiate, update, route, and submit Termination Notices (TN), if authorized
- Certify Loan Repayment Program (LRP) applicants using the IBO Portal; see <u>Over</u>view of LRP IBO Portal.

Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI)

FCOI is the user(s) in the institution who manages the Financial Conflict of Interest reporting process. The FCOI role can only be assigned by the SO to someone within their institution and that person must have a Commons account.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. This role is not used by DOC. If you have this role, it does not give you privileges for DOC awards.

If you hold an FCOI role, you have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- Initiate FCOI
- View and Edit FCOI

- Delete FCOI
- Submit FCOI

FCOI responsibilities can be shared with other by assigning either the FCOI_ASST or FCOI_View roles.

FCOI Assistant (FCOI_ASST) Role

Commons users with the SO role can assign the FCOI_ASST role to those users in the institution who will assist in working on the FCOI reporting process.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. This role is not used by DOC. If you have this role, it does not give you privileges for DOC awards.

Commons users assigned the FCOI_ASST role, have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- Initiate FCOI
- Search FCOI
- View FCOI
- Edit FCOI
- Delete FCOI

NOTE: Assign the FCOI_View role instead to any system users who need authority to search for and view FCOI information entered by the institution in the FCOI module, but who will not perform any data entry or make changes to the information.

FCOI Read-Only (FCOI_View) Role

Commons users with the SO role can assign the FCOI_View role to those users in the institution need authority to search for and view FCOI information entered by the institution in the FCOI module, but who will not perform any data entry or make changes to the information. These users have read-only access to FCOI report data.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. This role is not used by DOC. If you have this role, it does not give you privileges for DOC awards.

Commons users assigned the FCOI_View role, have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- Search FCOI
- View FCOI

NOTE: Assign the FCOI_ASST role instead to any system users who need the authority to do more than view the FCOI report. FCOI_ASST users can initiate, edit, and delete FCOI reports.

Federal Financial Report (FSR Role)

The Federal Financial Report (FFR) is a statement of expenditures for a grant. The Commons role assigned for completing FFR responsibilities is the FSR role. Depending on the institution's workflow process, it is possible for the SO or BO/AO to have FSR person responsibilities. As such, these two authorities may be combined on the same account.

If you hold an FSR role, you have privileges to submit FFRs on behalf of your institution.

NOTE: An account with only the FSR role assigned can only perform FSR tasks.

Internet Assisted Review (IAR)

Specially selected by Scientific Review Officers (SRO*) of the NIH, an IAR user can critique and score submitted grant applications. Many PD/PIs are selected for this role and IAR authority is automatically added to their account once an SRO enables them for a meeting. All other reviewers who have never served as PD/PIs have IAR authority solely.

If you hold an IAR role, you have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- Edit your own personal profile (PPF) and Reviewer address data
- Use the IAR module to submit critiques and preliminary scores for applications to be reviewed at a meeting for which you are enabled

NOTE: If affiliated with an institution, you can take advantage of other Commons features with the IAR role.

TIP: *Other Transaction Authority (OTA) - Some screens and terminology may be different in order to accommodate review of OTA, a type of award that is neither a grant nor a contract but a different way of funding that is being used across NIH. These changes will typically not be visible to NIH or agency reviewers.

If you are a Reviewer with an IAR role and are seeking help with the IAR module, check out the IAR for Reviewers online help system: <u>http://www.era.nih.gov/erahelp/IAR_Rev/</u>.

Program Director/Principal Investigator (PI)

A principal investigator (also called a PD/PI, although the role in Commons displays as *PI*) directs a research project or program supported by the NIH. A PI role is also required for Loan Repayment Program applicants submitting LRP applications to the Division of Loan Repayment (DLR). The role of the PI within Commons is to complete the grant administration process or to delegate this responsibility to another individual. A PI may only access information pertaining to the grant(s) on which he/she is the designated PD/PI.

NIH has adopted a Multiple-PI (MPI) model—as directed by the Office of Science and Technology Policy—permitting more than one PI to be associated with an NIH-funded grant, contract, or cooperative agreement. Additional PIs assist with the responsibilities currently accorded to a single PI. The multiple-PI model is intended to supplement—not replace—the traditional single-PI model.

If you hold a PI role, you have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- Edit your personal profile (PPF)
- Delegate edit authority of your own PPF to others
- View the status of all grant applications for which you are the designated PI, including any errors or warnings that may have been triggered
- View the assembled image of submitted grant applications before those grants move on for further processing
- View Study Section/Meeting Roster of the Review Group that will be reviewing your application
- View Review outcome information and summary statements
- View Notice of Award (NoA) for all grants for which you are the designated PI
- Delegate authority to someone with an ASST role to perform the same actions and receive the same notifications as a you do as the PI

- Submit an LRP application
- **NOTE:** PI users cannot delegate authority to submit appointments to the agency.
- View the following Training Grant related items using xTrain:
 - Trainee Roster
 - List of Grants
 - Grant Summary
 - Routing History
 - PDF-formatted Appointments/Amendments/Terminations
- Initiate, update, route, and submit Appointments, Re-Appointments, and Amendments in xTrain
- Initiate, update, and route Termination Notices in xTrain
- Initiate a progress report
- Delegate progress report authority
- Submit a progress report when given the authority by an SO
- Delegate Status authority to others within the institution so that they can see PI grant information (except Review outcome information and Summary Statement)

NOTE: The PI role should not be combined with the SO role, but can be combined with the IAR role.

Signing Official (SO)

An SO has institutional authority to legally bind the institution in grant-administration matters by providing signature approval on grant application submissions. The SO monitors grant related activities within the extramural organization and may have a number of titles. The SO can also create additional accounts for personnel at their institution, including new signing official accounts.

To find your signing official, see <u>Finding Your Signing Official</u> later in this topic.

If you hold an SO role, you have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- Create additional signing official accounts; see *Create or Edit a Commons Account* on page 157
- Register the applicant institution in Commons
- Create and update the Institutional Profile (IPF)

• Create/delete/update all Commons accounts (except IAR and TRAINEE accounts).

NOTE: An SO cannot modify another user's personal profile (PPF) unless designated to do so by that user

- Create affiliation between an existing Program Director/Principal Investigator (PD/PI) and/or IAR Commons account and the institution
- Submit electronic grant application(s) on behalf of the institution via Grants.gov (outside of eRA Commons), if also registered with Grants.gov as the Authorized Organization Representative (AOR)
- View status of all grant applications originating from their institution and any errors or warnings that may have been triggered
- View Review outcome information, including summary statement, the overall impact score and percentile, if available; see *How Does an SO See the Review Outcome*? on page 530
- View assembled image of submitted grant applications before they move on for further processing
- Reject grant applications to address submission warnings
- View award information for all grants awarded to the institution

NOTE: An SO cannot view summary statements or priority scores.

- Submit JIT information for a PD/PI
- View the following Training Grant related items:
 - Trainee Roster
 - List of Grants
 - Grant Summary
 - Routing History
 - PDF-formatted Appointments/Amendments/Terminations
- Delegate progress report authority to someone on behalf of the PD/PI
- Delegate submit authority for progress reports to a PD/PI
- Submit a progress report to the agency (NIH)
- Submit Final Research Performance Progress Report (Final RPPR)
- Submit a one-time No-Cost Extension on behalf of the PD/PI
- Assign the FCOI role for those using the Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) module

NOTE: An SO role cannot be combined with a PI role.

Finding the Signing Official

For most institutions, the signing official (SO) is in the Office of Sponsored Research or equivalent. You can find the list of signing officials for your institution in the Institution Profile.

- 1. Log in to eRA Commons.
- 2. <u>Navigate to the Institution Profile module</u>, then click the Basic Information tab.

You see a row titled Signing Officials and TTO Administrators*.

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	Name	Phone	Email	
1	Branma Argo (SO)	phone unknown	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	
2	Joson Ay-Yu (SO)	555-555-4458	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	
3	Jywin Bwin (SO)	555558109	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	
4	Corsad Bada (SO)	555-555-2783	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	

3. Click the plus sign to view the name(s) of the signing official(s).

If you are unable to identify your SO, contact the <u>eRA Service Desk</u>.

* * A Technology Transfer Office (TTO) Administrator supports the Technology Transfer/Licensing Office or Office of Research and Development at the grantee organization. The TTO administrator can submit inventions, patents, and utilization reports in iEdison, request waivers and create iEdison accounts.

Sponsor (SPONSOR)

A sponsor supervises the research training experience of individual fellows supported by fellowship awards in the xTrain module. Your institution's SO (or another institutional official with Commons account management privileges, such as an AO) can add the Sponsor role to your account, which in turn will associate the Sponsor role with all of the fellowships with which you are a Sponsor.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. This role is not used by DOC. If you have this role, it does not give you privileges for DOC awards.

If you hold a Sponsor role, you have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- View the following Training Grant related items:
 - Trainee Roster
 - List of Grants
- Review Termination Notices and route to BO before submission to Agency
- Initiate Termination Notices on behalf of fellows who have left the institution
- Delegate Sponsor authority to another individual

Trainee (TRAINEE)

The Commons xTrain TRAINEE role is used to manage electronic appointments for awarded Training Grants.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. This role is not used by DOC. If you have this role, it does not give you privileges for DOC awards.

If you hold a TRAINEE role, you have privileges to perform the following tasks:

- View your PDF-formatted Appointments/Amendments/Terminations
- Update and route your Appointments/Amendments/Terminations
- View Appointments/Amendments/Terminations routing history

Switching Institutions

Are you a PI who has switched institutions?

Pls moving from one institution to another do not need to establish a new Commons account. In fact, if you are a Pl, you should maintain a single Commons account throughout your career. You'll just need to affiliate your new institution to your existing Commons account.

There are many benefits to maintaining a single Commons account including:

• Your grant record history will be kept together instead of being split across multiple accounts

- If you have served as a Reviewer, your service on study sections will be recorded properly and will be accounted for in determining eligibility for continuous submission (**Policy:** https://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/continuous_submission.htm)
- Records maintained by NIH will be more accurate
- With one account, your degree information will be kept in one place and is more likely to be reviewed in consideration for Early Stage Investigator eligibility

Follow these steps if you switch institutions:

 Request that the SO at your new institution/organization affiliate your existing Commons account with your new university/organization. You will need to provide the SO with your Commons ID.

The SO can follow the steps listed in the <u>Create Affiliation</u> topic of the Accounts Management System Online Help.

2. If you have left the other institution/organization, request that the SO at your old institution/organization disaffiliate you from that institution.

NOTE: It is possible to have multiple affiliations tied to one Commons account. You do not need to disaffiliate your account from the first institution if you still remain there.

- 3. Contact the <u>eRA Service Desk</u> if you realize that you have more than one Commons account. They can help you merge the accounts together.
- 4. Keep your <u>Commons Personal Profile</u> updated. This includes the address fields and the end dates of your employment.

IMPORTANT: While a PI can keep the same Commons account when switching institutions, system users with the SO role must create a new account within the new institution/organization.

Changing to a Different Affiliated Organization

If you are a PI or other scientific role (GRADUATE_STUDENT, POSTDOC, TRAINEE, etc.) and are affiliated with more than one organization, it is important to check which

organization is currently selected when you log into Commons. You can access only the information pertaining to the currently selected organization. You also possess only the roles granted by the currently selected organization. Your selected organization is displayed with your user ID information under the Person icon, which is in the upper right corner of Commons screens.

To select a specific organization to work with in Commons:

- 1. Log into eRA Commons.
- 2. Click the Person icon in the upper right of any screen. If you are affiliated with multiple organizations, you see a **Change Organization** link.
- 3. Click the **Change Organization** link.

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ec	Current Organization: RESERVE UNIVERSITY Roles: PI
	Change Organization
	Manage Preferences
	🕞 Sign Out

Figure 57: Change Organization link under Person icon

The *Change Organization* screen opens, which lists the names of all institutions with which you are affiliated.

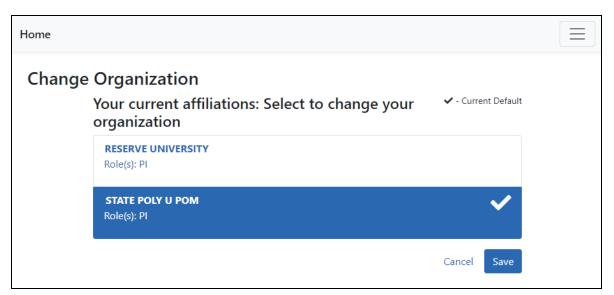


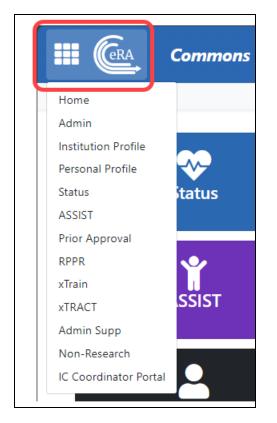
Figure 58: Change Organization screen where you can choose the affiliation for this eRA Commons session if you are affiliated to more than one institution

- 4. Click the name of the organization you want to work with in eRA Commons.
- 5. Click the **Save** button to set the organization as your current default. When you log in, you are automatically logged into the default organization.

In eRA Commons, you now see the grant data and roles associated with the organization you chose.

Opening Modules

To navigate between eRA Commons modules, click the Main menu/eRA logo at the upper left of any Commons screen. Some modules have large buttons on the home screen which can be used lieu of the Main menu.



Can't find a module?

You see only those modules, or features within modules, that your user roles give you access to. User roles are assigned by your institutional signing official, administrative official, or accounts administrator.

Logging out of Commons

Upon completion of any work in eRA Commons, for security reasons it is a best practice to log off from the Commons system.

To logout, click the Person icon at upper right of any screen and select **Sign out**.

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Current Institution:
NIH
Roles:
SPONSOR
Manage Preferences
Sign Out

Creating Flattened PDFs for Submission in eRA Commons

Many reporting mechanisms in eRA Commons, such as Request for Additional Materials (RAM), Just-in-Time (JIT), Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR), and more, require documents to be uploaded. For data integrity and storage efficiency reasons, eRA requires certain submitted documents to be flattened PDFs. If you attempt to upload a PDF and get an error message telling you to "ensure all files are flattened PDFs," then you need to flatten the PDF prior to upload.

NOTE: These steps could change, based on changes to Apple Mac or Windows software.

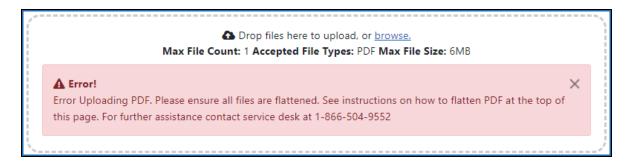


Figure 59: Error stating "Error Uploading PDF. Please ensure all files are flattened..." when a multi-layered PDF is uploaded in RPPR

PDFs that have fillable fields, electronic signatures, or text boxes or images inserted become layered, with each of these elements representing a layer. A flattened PDF is a file in which all the layers are merged into one flat layer, and the PDF can no longer be edited. By following the instructions below, you are exporting the layered PDF to a virtual printer and saving it as a simple (flattened) PDF.

What Files Are Required to Be Flattened Prior to Upload into eRA Commons?

- Just-in-Time files
- RPPR files
- Request for Additional Materials files (through an action link in Status)

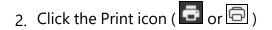
How Can I Tell if a PDF Is Flattened?

- One way to determine if the PDF is NOT flattened is to open the PDF in a web browser and look for fillable (editable) fields. A PDF with editable text fields is NOT flattened.
- Use the PDF reader's "highlight" feature to highlight some text that you see onscreen. If you cannot highlight any text, the PDF is likely flattened.

Windows PC: Flattening a PDF

If you are working with Windows, and if the document you need to upload is already a PDF, but is not flattened:

1. Open the PDF in a web browser, such as Microsoft Edge or Google Chrome.



3. In the **Printer*** dropdown, select **Microsoft Print to PDF** and complete the print by clicking the **Print** button and specifying a file name and location. (*field is named **Destination** in Google Chrome browser.)

Microsoft Edge browser	Google Chrome browser		
Print ? Total: 4 sheets of paper	Print	4 sheets of paper	
Printer	Destination	Microsoft Print to PDF	
Microsoft Print to PDF V	Pages	Adobe PDF Save as PDF See more	
Microsoft Print to PDF Ready	Color	Black and white	
Fax Ready			
Brother HL-6180DW series Printer Printer offline			
Adobe PDF Ready			

Figure 60: Partial views of print dialogs for Microsoft Edge browser and Google Chrome browser, showing **Microsoft Print to PDF** in the Printer or Destination fields

The resulting file is a flattened PDF.

NOTE: If you have Adobe Reader or Adobe Acrobat, you can open it in that product and choose Print, selecting **Microsoft Print to PDF** as described above.

Windows PC: Saving Another File Type as a Flattened PDF

If you are working with Windows, and if the file is not yet a PDF—for example, if it is a Microsoft Word or Excel file—then do the following to convert it to a PDF. Details of how to print vary by application.

- 1. Open the file in its native application.
- 2. Select the **Print** menu option (location varies—located under the **File** menu for Microsoft apps).
- 3. Select **Microsoft Print to PDF** and complete the print by clicking the **Print** button and specifying a file name and location.

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S Adobe PDF Ready
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S Microsoft XPS Document Writer Ready
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Print to File

Figure 61: Partial view of print dialog for Microsoft desktop applications, showing Microsoft Print to PDF in the Printer field

The resulting file is a flattened PDF.

Apple Mac Computer: Flattening a PDF

If you are working in MacOS, and if you need to flatten a PDF:

1. Open the PDF in the Preview app.

NOTE: For help on the MacOS Preview app, see the MacOS Preview User Guide.

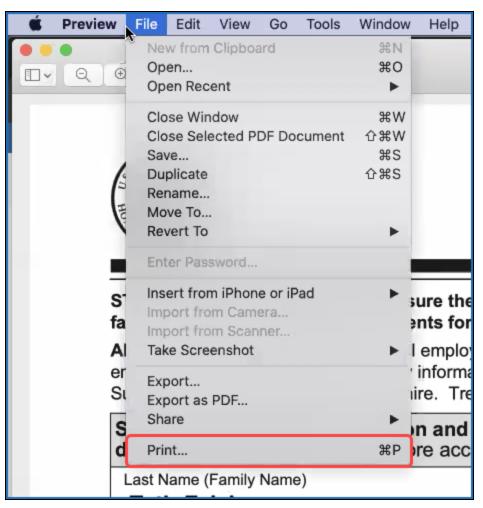


Figure 62: File menu in MacOS Preview app showing Print option

2. Select **Print** from the **File** menu.

The Print dialog appears.

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N ? PDF Y Hide Details Open in Preview Save as PDF Save to iCloud Drive Save to Web Receipts npletion r penalty	Cancel Print Cancel Print Nowing boxes to attest to your citizenship or immigration status (See page 2 of the United States en national of the United States (See Instructions.) ermanent resident (Enter USCIS or A-Number.)

Figure 63: Print dialog in MacOS Preview app, showing the **PDF** *dropdown with* **Save as PDF** *option*

3. Click the **PDF** dropdown in the Print dialog, then select **Save as PDF**.

A Save As dialog appears.

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Title:	FillableForTesting copy 2
Author:	Akku Hamjon
Subject:	
Keywords:	
	Security Options
	Cancel Save

Figure 64: Save As dialog where you specify file name, location, and click **Save**

4. Specify the file name, location, and click **Save**.

The resulting file is a flattened PDF.

About Passwords

If you are required to use two-factor authentication to access eRA Commons, you will have either a Login.gov account or an InCommon Federated account (that supports NIH's two-factor authentication standards) associated with your eRA account. Although you will be using one of those accounts to login to Commons, you will still possess an eRA account and the password for that account must still be maintained and reset once per year.

The Password Policy for eRA account credentials describes the use and rules of using eRA account credential passwords. Please review the Password Policy for eRA applications.

Policy: <u>http://www.era.nih.gov/files/NIH_eRA_Password_Policy.pdf</u>.

For further information about using Login.gov or InCommon Federated accounts, see the following:

- <u>Two-Factor Authentication: Access eRA Modules via Login.gov</u>
- Two-Factor Authentication: Access eRA Modules via an InCommon Federated Account
- FAQs: https://www.era.nih.gov/faqs.htm#XXIV

First-Time Login With Temporary Password

If you are a first time user logging in with the temporary password provided to you in an email, eRA Commons prompts you to change your password when you first log in successfully. You can copy the password from email.

Standards for creating passwords are displayed on the *Change Password* screen and must be followed when creating a new password.

- 1. Enter or paste the temporary password into the **Current Password** field.
- 2. Enter the new password into the **New Password** and **Confirm New Password**

fields. Also see *Password Requirements* on page 145.

3. Click **Submit** to update the new password information.

Change Password		
Your password is temporary. Ye	ou must change the password now in order to log into the system.	×
Cannot re-use previous 10	t be between 15-64 characters 0 generations of passwords ong passwords and passphrases, including spaces and all printable characters	×
Current Password: * New Password: *	Password Validation Results The password length must be between 15-64 characters Confirm New Password should be the same as New Password	
Confirm New Password: *	c	lear Submit

Figure 65: Change Password Screen

A confirmation message displays if the password is valid and meets the NIH password standards. If the new password does not meet the standards, an error message is displayed.

Password Requirements

NOTE: eRA users are currently being transitioned to require the use of two-factor authentication (Login.gov or InCommon Federated accounts that support NIH's two-factor authentication standards) instead of using eRA account credentials. See https://www.era.nih.gov/faqs.htm#XXIV. However, eRA users still possess an eRA account username and password (separate from their Login.gov or InCommon Federated account credentials) and must continue to change the eRA account password at least once a year.

The following list highlights the password requirements for eRA credentials:

- Must be at least fifteen (15) characters long
- Case sensitive.
- May contain spaces.
- Should not include your name, address, phone number, Social Security number, date of birth, HHS ID, etc.
- Does not need to contain numbers, capital letters, or special characters.
- Cannot contain weak or overused terms such as "password."
- Should not match current or past passwords from work or personal accounts.
- Cannot reuse the previous ten passwords.
- Must be changed once per year.
- Accounts are locked after 5 consecutive failed login attempts within a 120-minute period. The lockout will last for 30 minutes or until the account is reset by an authorized administrator. Users can click the Forgot Password/Unlock Account? link under the login fields of the Commons homepage (https://public.era.nih.gov/commonsplus) to unlock their account(s). A temporary password will be forwarded to the account owner's email address and is active for only 48 hours.
- Contact the eRA Service Desk if you need help with passwords.

Read more information on the eRA Password Policy.

Policy: http://www.era.nih.gov/files/NIH_eRA_Password_Policy.pdf.

When using the Login.gov method to access eRA Commons, which includes two-factor authentication, use the following link to learn about Login.gov password management and requirements. Additional links on this page address different aspects of Login.gov passwords:

https://www.login.gov/help/changing-settings/change-my-password/

For further information about using Login.gov or InCommon Federated accounts, please see the following:

- <u>Two-Factor Authentication: Access eRA Modules via Login.gov</u>
- <u>Two-Factor Authentication: Access eRA Modules via an InCommon Federated Account</u>
- FAQs: https://www.era.nih.gov/faqs.htm#XXIV

NOTE: Temporary passwords, sent to the user via email, are only valid for 48 hours and must be changed to a permanent password of the user's choosing within that time period.

Reset Password

NOTE: This topic refers to the eRA account password. If you are having trouble with your Login.gov password, please review this page: <u>https://www.</u>-login.gov/help/changing-settings/change-my-password/.

Even after you begin using two-factor authentication (Login.gov or InCommon Federated accounts that support NIH's two-factor authentication standards) to log into eRA Commons, you will still receive prompts to change your eRA account password at least once per year. See <u>https://www.era.nih.gov/faqs.htm#XXIV</u>.

Have you forgotten your eRA account password? If so, you can reset your password. Submitting a password reset request generates a new, temporary password, which is sent to the email address contained in your user profile. This temporary password lets you log into Commons, where you are prompted to create a new password.

If your account is locked from too many failed login attempts, you must wait 15 minutes before the password can be reset by yourself or your institution's signing official (SO) or account administrator (AA). See *My Account Is Locked!* on page 153. If you don't know who the SO/AA is, contact your institution's Office of Sponsored Research or equivalent. If you cannot locate this office, contact <u>the eRA Service Desk</u>.

Because your temporary password will be sent to the email address stored in eRA Commons, you must remember which email is associated with your eRA Commons account and have access to log into it.

NOTE: If you know your password and just want to change it, use the change password feature instead. Refer to *Changing Your Password* on page 150.

To reset your password:

1. Click the **Forgot Password/Unlock Account?** link on the Commons home page.

Login with eRA Credentials 🕜	
Username:	
Enter Username	
Password:	
Enter Password	٢
Login Clear	
(For External Users Only)	
Forgot Password/Unlock	
Account?	

Figure 66: Forgot Password/Unlock Account Link

2. Enter your **User ID** and **Email** address in the required fields of the *Reset Password* screen.

Reset Pass	sword		
User ID: *			
TEST_USERid			
Email: * test@nih.gov			
	Cancel	Submit	

Figure 67: Reset Password Screen

- 3. Click the **Submit** button. The system returns to the Commons home page. Commons generates a new, temporary password and sends it to the email address contained within the user profile. Temporary passwords, sent to the user via email, are only valid for 48 hours and must be changed to a permanent password of the user's choosing within that time period.
- 4. Log into Commons using the temporary password provided in the email.
- 5. After logging into Commons with the temporary password, create and enter a new password as prompted by Commons.

NOTE: All passwords are validated against the Password Policy requirements. See http://www.era.nih.gov/files/NIH_eRA_Password_Policy.pdf.

IMPORTANT: Your old password might re-appear in the **Password** field if you have not cleared your browser's cache/history, especially if you had previously opted to save the password in the field. Make sure you are entering the new password before you attempt to log in. If unsure, clear the cache/history and log in again with the new password.

For security purposes and to maintain the integrity of your account, you should never use the save password option and should always re-enter your password whenever you log in to Commons.

Changing Your Password

You can change your password anytime you are logged in as long as you know your current password. You use the Change Password screen, which can be accessed either from the Admin module or from the Person icon that appears in the upper right corner of some eRA Commons screens.

- 1. Access the Change Password screen.
 - Either <u>navigate to the Admin module</u>, then select Change Password from the Accounts tab. - OR -
 - Click the Person icon in the upper right corner of a screen and select
 Change Password.

The *Change Password* screen opens. The screen lists the password creation standards that you must follow when choosing a new password.

- 2. Enter/paste your current password in the **Current Password** field.
- 3. Enter the new password into the **New Password** and **Confirm New Password** fields. See *Password Requirements* on page 145.

NOTE: Passwords display as dots for security purposes. Make sure to enter your password carefully.

4. Click the **Submit** button.

Change Password		
Cannot re-use previous	ust be between 15-64 characters 10 generations of passwords long passwords and passphrases, including spaces and all printable characters	×
Current Password: * New Password: *	Password Validation Results The password length must be between 15-64 characters Confirm New Password should be the same as New Password	
Confirm New Password: *		

Figure 68: Change Password Screen

The password change takes effect immediately. You are still required to change your eRA Commons password annually even if you use Login.gov to log into Commons.

IMPORTANT: Your old password might re-appear in the **Password** field if you have not cleared your browser's cache/history, especially if you had previously opted to save the password in the field. Make sure you are entering the new password before you attempt to log in. If unsure, clear the cache/history and log in again with the new password.

For security purposes, we recommend that you **not** use the browser's save password option.

Reset Your Expired Password

eRA credential passwords expire after a year and must be reset. When your password has expired or has been reset, you will be directed to select a new password when you try to log in.

Even after you begin using two-factor authentication (Login.gov or InCommon Federated accounts that support NIH's two-factor authentication standards) to log into eRA Commons, you will still receive prompts to change your eRA account password at least once per year. See <u>https://www.era.nih.gov/faqs.htm#XXIV</u>. Your new password must conform to the standards listed on the screen. Also see *Password Requirements* on page 145.

- 1. Enter your **Current Password**.
- 2. Enter a **New Password**.
- 3. Re-enter the new password in the **Confirm New Password** field.
- 4. Select Submit.

Your new password is effective immediately.

Change Password	1	
Your password is temporary.	You must change the password now in order to log into the system.	×
Cannot re-use previous	ust be between 15-64 characters 10 generations of passwords long passwords and passphrases, including spaces and all printable characters	×
Current Password: *	Password Validation Results The password length must be between 15-64 characters	
Confirm New Password: *	Oconfirm New Password should be the same as New Password	
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	Cle	ar Submit

Figure 69: Changing an Expired or Reset Password

IMPORTANT: Your old password might re-appear in the **Password** field if you have not cleared your browser's cache/history, especially if you had previously opted to save the password in the field. Make sure you are entering the new password before you attempt to log in. If unsure, clear the cache/history and log in again with the new password.

For security purposes, we recommend that you not use the browser's save password option.

My Account Is Locked!

NOTE: This topic refers to the eRA Commons account password. If you are having trouble with your Login.gov password, please review this page: <u>https://www.-login.gov/help/changing-settings/change-my-password/</u>. Even after you begin using two-factor authentication (Login.gov or InCommon Feder-ated accounts that support NIH's two-factor authentication standards) to log into eRA

Commons, you will still receive prompts to change your eRA account password at least once per year. See https://www.era.nih.gov/faqs.htm#XXIV.

If you attempt to log into eRA Commons five consecutive times within a 60-minute period using an invalid eRA Commons password, your account will lock. The lockout will last for 15 minutes.

Error
The eRA credentials you entered are invalid and the account has now been locked. Please contact your organization's account administrator for assistance or use forgot password/unlock account link after 15 mins.
Close

Figure 70: Locked account message received after too many invalid password attempts

After 15 minutes has passed:

 An SO or account administrator from your organization can log into the Admin module and reset your password (see <u>Resetting a User's Password from Admin</u> <u>module</u>). They can also update the email to which the password is sent. • You (the user) can click the **Forgot Password/Locked Account?** link on the eRA Commons login screen (under **Login with eRA Credentials** on the left). See *My Account Is Locked!* on page 153. This works only if you remember which email is associated with your eRA Commons account and have access to log into it.

Admin Module

Signing officials and administrative personnel use the Admin module to perform account management for users within their organization. Principal investigators and other scientific personnel user the Admin module to change their password.

The Admin module includes the features used to perform:

- Account Management. See Accounts on page 156.
- **Delegations.** See *Delegations* on page 172.
- ESI Eligibility searches. (SO/AO only) See ESI Eligibility Search on page 211.

There are two ways to access the Admin module: by selecting Admin from the Main menu or by clicking the Account Management (Admin) button:



All Commons users have access to the Admin module, however, your role determines what you can and cannot do within the module.

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Admin Home	Accounts - Delegations ESI Eligibility	
	Account Management Advanced Search Change Password	
Administratio	n	
The Administration to those users with a	menu allows users to perform system and accounts maintenance according to their privileges. Sub-menus are visible opropriate privileges.	

For complete information on creating and managing user accounts and resetting passwords for your organization's users, refer to the Account Management System's Online Help System (<u>https://www.era.nih.gov/erahelp/ams_new/</u>).

Accounts

The **Accounts** tab of the Admin module contains the options for creating, searching, and updating user accounts. From Account Administration, users with appropriate permissions, such as signing officials, can do the following:

- Create Accounts
- Manage Accounts
- Advanced Search
- Change Password

To access Accounts:

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Accounts** tab.

Refer to the topic Refer to *Advanced Search for PIs with Continuous Submission Eligibility* on page 170 for help with searching.

For complete information on creating and managing user accounts, refer to the Account Management System's Online Help System (<u>https://www.era.nih.gov/erahelp/ams_new/</u>). Also see *Create or Edit a Commons Account* on page 157.

Create or Edit a Commons Account

You can edit eRA Commons accounts, or create new ones (such as for a PD/PI), using the **Admin/Account Management** module if you have one of the following eRA Commons roles:

- SO (signing official). Can create accounts of any role type except IAR, including creating additional SO accounts. See *Signing Official (SO)* on page 129.
- AO (administrative official). Can create all accounts except SO, BO, FCOI accounts, and IAR accounts
- AA (account administrator). Can create all Commons accounts except SO, FCOI accounts, and IAR accounts
- BO (business official). Can create all accounts except SO, BO, FCOI accounts, and IAR accounts

Principal investigators (PIs) and other scientific users cannot create their own accounts. Commons accounts are created by users with the roles mentioned above or via invitation, appointment, or institutional registration (see additional links below).

The basic steps for creating an account for a new staff member at your organization are:

- 1. First search for the new person's account across all organizations to make sure the person does not yet have an eRA account. When you clear the **Search only within my organization** checkbox, a search in *Admin* searches users from all organizations.
- 2. If an existing eRA account cannot be found, click **Create New Account** and fill out contact info and assign roles to make a new account; see *Creating a New User Account* on page 160.
- 3. **If the person** *does* **exist, and they have a PI or other scientific role (example: trainee)**, you should affiliate the person to your institution instead of creating a new account. PI and other scientific roles are intended to be used throughout the investigator's career regardless of their current institutional affiliation(s); see *Editing an Existing eRA User Account* on page 165.

Administering Accounts (Editing Roles, Affiliating Users, Helping Users with Login)

eRA users with administrative roles (listed in previous section) can do the following in Admin.

- Edit a user's assigned roles. For instance, you might want to change an AA or PD/PI account to a SO account in the case of a promotion to other duties. Some roles conflict; for instance, a PD/PI, which is a scientific role, cannot co-exist with an SO role, which is administrative, so you might have to delete some roles to add others.
- Affiliate a non-administrative user (such as a PI) to your own institution. Suppose a PI at another institution is going to work on one of your institute's awards, or suppose the PI is moving from another institution to your institution. In either case, you can use Admin to associate the existing PI account to your institution.
- Help a user from your institution who is having trouble logging in with eRA credentials. You can reset the user's password or change the user's email (where password reset emails go). The eRA credentials are different from Login.gov credentials; for Login.gov help, see *Detailed Login.gov Steps and Troubleshooting* on page 72.

Searching for an eRA Account

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Account Management** menu option under Accounts.



Figure 71: Admin navigation, showing Account Management

The Search Accounts screen opens. You'll notice that there is no **Create New Account** button displayed at this time. You cannot create a new account until you perform a search for the account first. This measure is in place to help avoid the creation of duplicate accounts.

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\checkmark Search Criteria		
Search only within my organization	on 📵	
NOTE! You must enter at least one se	arch field, besides User Type and	Account Status.
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Commons ~	All	•
Last Name	First Name	Middle Name
Email	Roles 🕄	
		Clear Q Search

Figure 72: Admin Search Accounts screen, where you can search for users within your organization or across organizations. Searching is the first step to creating a new account.

3. Enter search criteria, such as the person's (**Last Name**, **First Name**), for the person you are seeking.

Search even if you plan to make a new account, to ensure the person does not already have an account. By default, the **Search only within my organization** checkbox is *not* marked, which means you are searching ALL eRA Commons accounts for all organizations.

TIP: Use the percent character, %, as a wildcard.

If accounts appear in the Search Results, you can:

- Click the linked **Name** to see *Funding Support*, which also includes employment history, for the user. This can help you positively identify a user in the case of duplicate names found.
- Click the **Manage** button to change affiliation, change roles, change the user's email (where their password reset emails go), or to reset their password (meaning they get a password reset email with a temporary password).
- If you find the person you are looking to add to your organization, click **Manage** and use the **Affiliate** button to affiliate the person to your institution. You can affiliate only those with scientific (research-related) accounts (such as PI), not those with administrative accounts (such as SO).
- Click Create New Account to create a new user (after searching to ensure the user does not already exist). After performing the search, the Create New Account button becomes enabled; see the next section.

Creating a New User Account

If you search for a person who is coming onboard to your organization, but you do not find the person, you can create a new account for the person.

1. After you search for a person (see above section), click the Create New Account button.

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NOTE! You must enter a	t least one search field, besides User 1	ype and Account Stat	us.
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The *Create Account* screen displays. The **User Type** should default to **Commons** and the **Primary Organization** should default to that of your own. The **User Type** field can be changed if necessary.

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Contact Inforr		Middle Name	
Contact Inforr		Middle Name	
Contact Inforr Last Name *	First Name *	Middle Name	
Contact Inforr Last Name * Email *	First Name *	Middle Name	
Contact Inforr Last Name *	First Name *	Middle Name	

- On the *Create Account* screen, fill out the fields. Note that all fields except **Middle** Name are required.
 - User Type: Select Commons from the drop-down list if it is not already displayed.
 - **User ID**: Enter a unique name as the system user ID. Take care with entering this ID, as it is not changeable after account creation.
 - **Primary Organization**: This field defaults to your organization and cannot be changed. If an individual needs to be affiliated with your organization and already has a non-administrative account with another institution (primarily Primary Investigators - PI), search for them outside of your organization and affiliate their existing account with your institution.
 - Last Name
 - First Name
 - Middle Name

- **Email**. This email will be used for password resets (i.e. when the user clicks 'Forgot Password' on the eRA Commons login screen).
- Confirm Email

After entering contact information, you must assign a role to the account; if you do not add a role, you get an error when you try to save the new user.

3. Click the + Add Roles button to open the AMM | Add Roles window.

The organization defaults to your institution and cannot be changed. A list of available roles appears. Note that more roles appear if you are an SO vs. other administrative roles. For instance, only an SO can assign a SO role to another user.

AMM Add Roles	×
Organization	
STATE UNIV	
Role(s) (to multi-select, please use ctrl or shift keys)	
FSR - Financial Reporting users GRADUATE_STUDENT - Graduate Student - role is used for tracking purposes. User has access to person LRPS - Gives user ability to perform service and research verifications. OLAW_REPORT_USER_ROLE - OLAW personnel - Role used for runing external report PACR - Public Access Compliance Role - Role used for tracking purposes PD/PI - Project Director/Principal Investigator POSTDOC - POSTDOC - role I is used to track users using the xTrain module	n
PROJECT_PERSONNEL - Gives user ability to manage/edit foreign component data in FACTS SCIENTIST - Scientist - role is used for biomedical workforce tracking and progress reports SO - Signing Official	Ţ
Close Add Role((s)

4. Select the role(s) for the new account.

Use Ctrl+click to select multiple roles. (Shift+click selects multiple contiguous roles.) Some roles conflict with one another and should not be assigned at the same time, such as PD/PI and SO, or any scientific role along with an administrative role. An error message will occur when you try to save the new user account if you assign conflicting roles.

5. Click the **Add Role(s)** button in the *Add Roles* popup. The *Create Account* screen now lists the roles you selected. If you made a mistake, you can click the **Remove** button in the **Action** column to remove a role.

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+ Add Roles × Remove All		
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Role(s) 🔺	Organization(s) 🌻	Action
SO	STATE UNIV	Remove
PD/PI	. STATE UNIV .	× Remove
PROJECT_PERSONNEL	STATE UNIV	× Remove
		Close Clear Create

Figure 73: Roles section of Create Account screen showing Remove buttons next to roles

6. Click the **Create** button to create the new account.

A success message appears at top and the read-only *Account Details* screen appears. Alternatively, if there were errors, errors are listed at top; see the next section.

If you need to change the account you just created, click the **Manage** button. When editing an account, you can no longer change the User ID or name. You can, however, edit the email, roles, affiliation, or reset the password. See *Editing an Existing eRA User Account* on page 165 below.

The new account holder will get two emails at the email you specified; one contains a temporary password and the other contains the user ID.

The person for whom the account was created can edit all their personal and contact information using Personal Profile after they log in to Commons.

Possible Errors When Creating an Account

A variety of errors might appear when you click **Create** to save a new account. A red bar appears at the top listing errors.



Figure 74: Possible errors you might receive after clicking Create to create a new account

Editing an Existing eRA User Account

Steps for an SO or account administrator to edit existing accounts:

- 1. Search for existing accounts as described in *Searching for an eRA Account* on page 158.
- 2. On the account you want to edit, click the **Manage** button.

Search Results							
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User ID ‡	Name 👔 🔺	Email ≑	Account Status 🔺	Roles & Affiliations ≑	Login via Login.gov 🕄 ‡	Action	
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Figure 75: Search results in Admin module showing Manage button

The Manage Account screen opens.

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User ID *		
AARON		
Primary Organization	*	
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Figure 76: Manage Account screen, where an organization's administrator can edit roles, affiliate/unaffiliate user with this institution, reset password, and change the email for password resets.

- To edit roles, click the Add Roles button.
 Be sure to add ONLY scientific (PI, POSTDOC, etc) OR administrative (SO, AA, etc) to an account, but not both, as they are incompatible.
- To change the account holder's email, enter the new email in the **Email** fields. If the user then clicks '**Forgot Password**,' the password reset email will go to this email address.
- To affiliate the user with your institution, click Affiliate.
 The Affiliate button appears ONLY if the user you are viewing is NOT currently affiliated with your institution. If the user IS currently affiliated, then an 'Unaffiliate' button appears instead. Use Unaffiliate to remove a user from your institution if they have changed institutions and no longer work at yours.
- To reset a user's password (available ONLY for users within your institution), click the **Reset Password** button.

This triggers a password reset email to be sent to the email address in the **Email** fields.

Additional Information

- Account Management Module online help
- Creating an Account to Access IAR (Internet Review Module)
- <u>eRA Commons Registration & Accounts</u>
- <u>eRA Commons Accounts: Who and How and Where click here for one-page</u>
 <u>PDF version</u>
- *Institution Registration and Account Creation* (Training Videos)

Affiliating an Existing eRA Commons User with Your Organization

Researchers should maintain the same eRA Commons account throughout the entirety of their career. Often, researchers change organizations/employers. Sometimes, researchers might simultaneously be involved with research projects at more than one organization.

When this happens, the researcher, should contact a signing official or other account administrator at their new organization and ask to be affiliated with the new institution.

Researchers generally have a principal investigator (PI) role, but other research roles include TRAINEE and SPONSOR.

Pls and other scientific users cannot create or affiliate their own accounts. Commons accounts are created and managed by users with the roles mentioned below or via invitation, appointment, or institutional registration. A user with one of the following roles can affiliate eRA Commons accounts using the **Admin/Account Management** module:

- SO (signing official). Can create accounts of any role type, including creating additional SO accounts. See *Signing Official (SO)* on page 129.
- AO (administrative official)
- AA (account administrator)

To affiliate an existing Commons research user with a new institution, an SO or other account administrator should follow these steps:

- 1. First search for and locate the person's account in the Admin module, making sure to clear the **Search only within my organization** checkbox. Searching is described in *Affiliating an Existing eRA Commons User with Your Organization* on page 167.
- 2. In Search Results, click the **Manage** button for the account you want to affiliate.
- 3. To affiliate the user with your institution, click the **+Affiliate** button in the *Roles* section.

NOTE: The **Affiliate** button appears ONLY if the user you are viewing is NOT currently affiliated with your institution. If the user IS currently affiliated, then an '**Unaf-filiate**' button appears instead. Use **Unaffiliate** to remove a user from your institution if they have changed institutions and no longer work at yours.

The AMM | Add Roles popup appears.

You must add roles to the person at your organization even if the person has the necessary role at their prior organization. In the *AMM* | *Add Roles* popup, the organization defaults to your institution and cannot be changed. A list of available roles appears. Note that more roles appear if you are an SO vs. other administrative roles. For instance, only an SO can assign a SO role to another user.

AMM Add Roles	×
Organization	
CALIFORNIA STATE DEPT/HEALTH CARE SVCS (10022205)	
Role(s) (to multi-select, please use ctrl or shift keys)	
OLAW_REPORT_USER_ROLE - OLAW personnel - Role used for runing external report PACR - Public Access Compliance Role - Role used for tracking purposes	•
PD/PI - Project Director/Principal Investigator	
POSTDOC - POSTDOC - role I is used to track users using the xTrain module PROJECT_PERSONNEL - Gives user ability to manage/edit foreign component data in FACTS SCIENTIST - Scientist - role is used for biomedical workforce tracking and progress reports SO - Signing Official	ł
SPONSOR - Sponsor Users - role is used for biomedical workforce tracking and progress reports in xT TRAINEE - Trainee - role is given to users that use xTrain Module	
UNDERGRADUATE - Undergraduate - role is used for biomedical workforce tracking and progress rep	юг _–
Close Add Ro	e(s)

Figure 77: Account Management Module (Admin) Add Roles popup

4. Select the role(s) for the new account. These are the roles the user will have at your organization.

Use Ctrl+click to select multiple roles. (Shift+click selects multiple contiguous roles.) Some roles conflict with one another and should not be assigned at the same time, such as PD/PI and SO, or any scientific role along with an administrative role. An error message will occur when you try to save the new user account if you assign conflicting roles.

- 5. Click the **Add Role(s)** button in the *Add Roles* popup. The *Manage Account* screen now lists the roles you selected. If you made a mistake, you can click the **x Remove** button in the **Action** column to remove a role.
- 6. Click the **Save** button at the bottom of the *Manage Account* screen.

You can affiliate the person with your organization, but you cannot unaffiliate a person with their prior organization. Only an administrator from the prior organization can unaffiliate a user from that organization.

Advanced Search for PIs with Continuous Submission Eligibility

If you hold an administrator role (e.g., SO), you can perform a search on existing Commons accounts to locate principal investigators (PIs) eligible for continuous submission. You can search for accounts within your institution or include those outside of your institution.

To perform an advanced search for PIs with continuous submission eligibility:

- <u>Navigate to the Admin module</u>, either by selecting **Admin** from the Main menu or by clicking the **Account Management (Admin)** button on the eRA Commons home page.
- 2. Under *Accounts* in top navigation, select **Advanced Search**, which displays the *Account List* screen.

dmin Home	Accounts -	Delegation	ns ESI Eligibili	ity			
Account List	0	Last	Name				
Must contain at least	six characters.	Must	contain at least two (characters.			
First Name		Mide	lle Name				
Search withi	n your Institution	522 Results	Clear	Form Q	Search	* 🗉	< 2 of 29 ~ >
User Name A	CS Eligibility \$	User ID \$	Email Address ≑	Account Status	Role		Institution
Bryewt, Andrin	Yes	BRYEWTAN	eRATest@mail.n ih.gov	Active	PI		UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES

3. Enter the search criteria. The percent sign (%) can be used as a wildcard (e.g., Sm%).

The **Search within your institution** checkbox is marked by default and means that only PIs within your institution are shown in search results. To include accounts outside of your institution, clear this checkbox before performing the search.

NOTE: When searching outside of your organization, you must include the **Last Name** or **Commons ID** in your search criteria.

4. Click the **Search** button.

The search results display in a table and might be listed over multiple pages. For details on navigating in search results and using other table tools, see *Standard Tools for Tables* on page 109.

The search results include the following information:

- User Name. Click the linked user name to open the *Continuous Submission Eligibility* screen for this PI.
- **CS Eligibility.** Displays No or Yes to indicate the Continuous Submission Eligibility status of the PI
- User ID
- Email Address
- Account Status
- Role
- Institution

The Continuous Submission Eligibility for <PI Name> screen appears when you click a PI's name. Click the **Show Eligibility Status** link to display either:

- The Eligible Committee Service Terms from and to dates, plus the committee name, shown below, or
- The words, "There are no eligible committee memberships available." indicating that the person is not eligible for continuous submission.

A PI can also view this information from Personal Profile. For more information on the Continuous Submission Eligibility screen, refer to the Personal Profile *Reviewer Information* topic, specifically <u>Continuous Submission Eligibility Status</u>.

Continuou for Bryewt,	s Submission Elig Andrin	Jibility					
Continuous Subn	nission Eligibility Status:						
Eligible Until 08/16/20	25 5:00 PM ET						
	What is Continuous Submission? 🗹 Continuous Submission FAQs 🗹						
Eligibility for Con Eligible Committee S		on Current Appointed Membership					
From	То	Committee Name					
06/08/2022	06/30/2025	IRG					

Figure 78: Continuous Submission Eligibility screen

Delegations

Users of the Commons system can grant other Commons users from the same organization the authority to enter and process grant information, update Personal Profile (PPF) information, submit RPPR information, and work with specific modules. This method of assigning (and revoking) authority to other Commons users to perform specific functions is called Delegation.

Commons users can delegate specific authorities to other Commons users for their own accounts such as when a PI delegates the Progress Report authority to another PI or a Sponsor delegates to an assistant. Additionally, administrative users such as SO can delegate certain authorities on behalf of another Commons user. For example, an SO can grant an ASST user the Sponsor authority on behalf of a Commons Sponsor user.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce and SAMHSA. Delegations cannot be used for DOC and SAMHSA awards.

Listed below is a table of the types of delegation authorities in Commons, along with who can grant that authority and who can receive it.

Authority Type	Delegated By	Delegated To	Description
Progress Report	SO, AA(on behalf of PI)	PI, ASST	Enables the delegated PI/ASST to work on progress reports for another PI - Includes Interim and Final RPPR and HSS requests
Progress Report	PI	PI, ASST	Enables the authorized user to work on progress reports for the PI - Includes Interim and Final RPPR and HSS requests. This does not include the ability to submit any RPPRs—only the SO can submit, unless they del- egate that authority to the PI.
Sponsor	SO, AA (on behalf of SPONSOR) or SPONSOR	ASST	Allows the ASST to work with the xTrain module for the SPONSOR
Status	PI	ASST	Allows the ASST to work with the Status module. If a user needs access to edit the Final or Interim RPPR, then the user also needs access to the Status mod-

Delegation Authorities

Authority Type	Delegated By	Delegated To	Description
			ule.
PPF	All users	Active user within the organization	Enables another user in the same organization to edit someone else's personal profile
Submit	SO	PI	Enables the PI to submit RPPR and MYPR reports including Final and Interim reports
xTrain	PI	ASST	Enables the ASST to work with the xTrain module and xTRACT

NOTE: Delegations are not permanent and can be revoked at any time.

Delegate on Behalf of Another User

Administrative users such as Signing Officials (SO) and Account Administrators (AA) can delegate authority to specific users on behalf of someone else. The information within this section refers to this process.

Not all roles can delegate all authorities; refer to the table in the *Delegations* on page 172 topic for role-based constraints on delegation.

Delegating Progress Report Authority on Behalf of Another User

NOTE: This topic discusses delegating authority for another user's account. See *Direct Delegations* on page 198 for delegating authority to your own account.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce and SAMHSA. Delegations cannot be used for DOC and SAMHSA awards.

The SO or AA (see *User Roles* on page 121) can delegate Progress Report authority to a principal investigator (PI) or assistant (ASST) on behalf of another PI. Not all roles can delegate all authorities; refer to the table in the *Delegations* on page 172 topic for role-based constraints on delegation.

This process is a two-step process, where you first find and select the PI that currently holds the progress report authority, and secondly, you find and select the PI or ASST to whom you wish to delegate that authority.

To delegate Progress Report authority on behalf of a PI:

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Delegations** option from the **Admin** menu.

The *My Current Delegates* screen opens, which shows your existing delegations or indicates *No Results Found* if you have no delegations. However, these are your own (current user) delegations; this procedure helps you create a delegate for another user, not your own.

3. Click the **Delegate Progress Report** link.

Admin Accounts - Deleg	gations ESI Eligibility						
My Current Delega	tes 😮						
Current Institution: CANCER	INSTITUTE CORP						
You have the ability to delega	te the following authority(author	ities): PPF					
Filter Table	0 result(s)	*	(₩) (∞) (∞) (∞) (∞) (∞) (∞) (∞) (∞) (∞) (∞				
Name 📤	Role(s)	Commons ID 👙	PPF				
No Results Found							
	Delegate Progress Repor	t Delegate Sponsor Institution Delegation	on Search or Add Delegate				

Figure 79: My Current Delegates Screen with the Delegate Progress Report link

The *Third Party Delegates* screen opens with search criteria for locating and selecting a specific Principal Investigator on whose behalf the Progress Report authority is being granted.

Admin Accounts - Dele	gations ESI Eligibility	
Third Party Delega	tes 😧	
Current Institution: CANCER	INSTITUTE CORP	
You may use this search to de	elegate Progress Report Authority on behalf of a Principal Investi	igator.
✓ Search Criteria		
This search may be used to	o add new delegates or edit the roles of your current delegates.	
Commons ID	Name	
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing and select one	
	Last Name, First Name, Middle Name	
		Clear Search
		Return to My Current Delegates

Figure 80: Third Party Delegates screen, where you search for the PI on whose behalf you are delegating Progress Report authority

4. Enter search criteria and click **Search**.

You can enter an exact **Commons ID**; no wildcards are allowed. Alternatively, in the **Name** field, you can type a few letters of the **last** name and a list of PI matches appears, which you must select from. Always enter the last name in the **Name** field as matches will not appear for first names. For instance, if you are looking for 'Sarah Johnson', entering 'Sarah' in the name field results in no matches to choose from; enter 'johnson' instead.

The matching records display in the **Search Results**.

Admin Accounts - Dele	egations ESI Eligibility							
Third Party Delegates ? Current Institution: CANCER INSTITUTE CORP You may use this search to delegate Progress Report Authority on behalf of a Principal Investigator.								
✓ Search Criteria								
This search may be used	to add new delegates or edit the r	oles of your current de	elegates.					
Commons ID	Name							
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing and select o	ne 🔻						
	Last Name, First Name, Middle Na	ame	Clear Search					
Search Results								
Filter Table	1 result(s)		📩 🎹 « 1 of 1 🗸 »					
Name 🕈		Role(s)	Commons ID 💠					
SMITH, Joe	[]	PI	SMITH					
	Select		Return to My Current Delegates					

Figure 81: Delegate Progress Report--Third Party Delegates Screen Showing Delegator

 From the three-dot ellipsis menu for the person for whom you are delegating authority, choose the **Select** option.

A message displays at the top of the screen as follows: You have selected to delegate Progress Report Authority on behalf of: <Name>.

At this point, use the same search criteria a second time to find and select the user to whom to delegate the authority.

Admin Accounts - Del	egations ESI Eligibility				
Third Party Delega	ates 😧				
Current Institution: CANCE	R INSTITUTE CORP				
You have selected to delega	ate Progress Report Authority o	n behalf of: SMITH,	Joe		
✓ Search Criteria					
This search may be used	to add new delegates or edit t	he roles of your curi	rent delegates.		
Commons ID	Name				
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing and selec	ct one 🔹			
	Last Name, First Name, Middl	le Name			
				Clear	Search
Search Results					
Filter Table	1 result(s)		*	« 1 of 1	* »
Name 🕈		Role(s)	Commons ID 💠		Progress Report
JOHNSON, DACE		PI	JOHNSON		
	Edit Delegations		Re	turn to My Current De	elegates

Figure 82: Delegate Progress Report--Third Party Delegates Screen Showing Delegate

6. Enter the second set of search criteria to locate the PI/ASST to whom you are giving authority and click the **Search** button.

The matching records display in the **Search Results** table.

7. From the three-dot ellipsis menu for the person to whom you are delegating authority, select the **Edit Delegations** option.

The *Delegate Progress Report Authority* popup shows both names (the person on whose behalf you are configuring a delegate, as well as the delegate candidate) with a toggle for the Progress Report authority.

Delegate Progress Report Authority 📀	×
Current Institution: CANCER INSTITUTE CORP	
On behalf of SMITH, Joe, you have selected to delegate access to: JOHNSON, DACE; JOHNSON; PI	
You may assign the following delegation(s):	
Progress Report	
• Note: "Saving" any new modifications of delegations will send a confirmation email to the delegate(s).	
Cancel	🖹 Save

Figure 83: Delegate Progress Report Authority Screen with Toggle

8. Turn the **Progress Report** toggle on and click **Save**.

A Success message appears in green font at the top of the screen. eRA Commons bestows the Progress Report authority for the first PI chosen (delegator) to the second user chosen (delegate). The PI/ASST to whom delegation was given receives an email informing of the change. The delegate PI/ASST is now able to initiate and work on progress reports for the delegator PI. However, the delegate is not able to route.

The PI on whose behalf delegation was granted can see the delegate by accessing the **My Current Delegates** screen.

Delegate Sponsor Authority on Behalf of Another User

NOTE: This topic discusses delegating authority for another user's account. See *Direct Delegations* on page 198 for delegating authority to your own account.

The SO and AA can delegate Sponsor authority to someone with an ASST role on behalf of a Sponsor; see *User Roles* on page 121. When delegating Sponsor authority, the SO authorizes a selected user with an ASST role to perform functions in xTrain for a particular user with a Sponsor role. The SO is delegating this authority to the ASST on behalf of the Sponsor. Not all roles can delegate all authorities; refer to the table in the *Delegations* on page 172 topic for role-based constraints on delegation.

This process is a two-step process, where you first find and select the user who holds the sponsor authority, and secondly, you find and select the user to whom you wish to delegate that authority.

To delegate Sponsor authority on behalf of a Sponsor:

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Delegations** option from the **Admin** menu.

The My Current Delegates screen opens, which shows your existing delegations or indicates *No Results Found* if you have no delegations. However, these are your own (current user) delegations; this procedure helps you revoke a delegate of another user, not your own.

Admin	Accounts 👻	Delegation	ESI Eligibility				
My Current Delegates 🕢							
Current Institution: CANCER INSTITUTE CORP							
You have the ability to delegate the following authority(authorities): PPF							
Filter Ta	able	0 resu	t(s)		*	»	• »
Name	•		Role(s)	Commons ID 🍦			PPF
No Results Found							
Delegate Progress Report Delegate Sponsor Institution Delegation Search or Add Delegate							

Figure 84: My Current Delegates - Delegate Sponsor Link

3. Click the **Delegate Sponsor** link.

The *Third Party Delegates* screen opens with search criteria displayed for locating and selecting a specific Sponsor who holds Sponsor Authority.

Admin Accounts - Del	egations ESI Eligibility	
Third Party Delega	ates 🛿	
Current Institution: CANCER	R INSTITUTE CORP	
You may use this search to o	delegate Sponsor Authority on behalf of a Principal Investigat	or.
→ Search Criteria		
This search may be used	to add new delegates or edit the roles of your current delegat	es.
Commons ID	Name	
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing and select one	
	Last Name, First Name, Middle Name	
		Clear Search
		Return to My Current Delegates

Figure 85: Search For Sponsor On Whose Behalf You Will Create Delegate

4. Enter search criteria and click **Search**.

You can enter an exact **Commons ID**; no wildcards are allowed. Alternatively, in the **Name** field, you can type a few letters of the **last** name and a list of PI matches appears, which you must select from. Always enter the last name in the **Name** field because matches will not appear for first names. For instance, if you are looking for 'Sarah Johnson', entering 'Sarah' in the name field results in no matches to choose from; enter 'johnson' instead.

Matching records display under Search Results.

Admin Accounts - Delegations ESI Eligibility						
Third Party Delegates ② Current Institution: CANCER INSTITUTE CORP You may use this search to delegate Sponsor Authority on behalf of a Principal Investigator.						
This search may be used t	to add new delegates or edit the r	oles of your current de	elegates.			
Commons ID	Name	Name				
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing and select o	Begin typing and select one				
	Last Name, First Name, Middle Name Clear Search					
Search Results						
Filter Table	1 result(s)		📩 🌐 « 1 of 1 🗸 »			
Name 🕈		Role(s)	Commons ID 💠			
SMITH, Joe		PI	SMITH			
	Select		Return to My Current Delegates			

Figure 86: Third Party Delegate--Selecting the User For Whom You Will Create a Delegate

5. From the three-dot ellipsis menu for the person for whom you are creating a delegate, choose the **Select** option.

A message displays at the top of the screen as follows: You have selected to delegate Sponsor Authority on behalf of: <Name>.

At this point, use the same search criteria a second time to find and select the user to whom to delegate the authority.

Enter the search criteria to locate the ASST user being given authority and click
 Search.

The matching records display in the **Search Results** table.

Admin Accounts - Dele	egations ESI Eligi	bility				
Third Party Delegates 😧						
Current Institution: CANCER	INSTITUTE CORP					
You have selected to delegat	e Sponsor Authority	y on behalf of: SMIT	H, JOE			
▼ Search Criteria						
This search may be used t	o add new delegate	es or edit the roles of	your current delegates.			
Commons ID	Name					
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing	and select one	r			
	Last Name, First N	ame, Middle Name				
				Clear Search		
Search Results						
Filter Table	1 result(s)		*	(1 of 1 • »		
Name 📤		Role(s)	Commons ID 🜲	Sponsor		
Johnson, Sarah		ASST	JOHNSON			
Ed	lit Delegations		Re	turn to My Current Delegates		

Figure 87: Third Party Delegates Search Results

7. From the three-dot ellipsis menu for the person to whom you are delegating authority, select the **Edit Delegations** option.

The *Delegate Sponsor Authority* popup shows the name of the ASST user who has Sponsor authority, the name of the user being delegated that authority, and a toggle.

Delegate Sponsor Authority 😨	×
Current Institution: CANCER INSTITUTE CORP	
On behalf of SMITH, JOE, you have selected to delegate access to: Johnson, Sarah; JOHNSON; ASST	
You may assign the following delegation(s):	
Sponsor]
O Note: "Saving" any new modifications of delegations will send a confirmation email to the delegate(s).	
Cancel 🖪 Save	

Figure 88: Delegate Sponsor Authority Screen and Toggle

8. Turn on the **Sponsor** toggle and click **Save**.

A Success message appears in green font at the top of the screen. The new delegate user now has Sponsor authority and receives an email informing of the change. The delegate ASST user is now able to perform xTrain functions for the selected Sponsor.

The Sponsor, on whose behalf delegation was granted, can see the delegated user by accessing the **My Current Delegates** screen.

Revoke Authority on Behalf of Another User

NOTE: This topic discusses revoking authority for another user's account. See *Direct Delegations* on page 198 for delegating authority to your own account.

Administrative users, such as a signing official, can revoke delegated authority from a user on behalf of someone else. The steps for revoking Progress Report and Sponsor Authority are very similar. The steps below walk through the process of revoking either, depending on which one is selected from the start.

This process is a two-step process, where you first find and select the PI who has a delegate for progress report authority, and secondly, you find and select the delegate for whom authority needs to be revoked.

To revoke authority on behalf of another user:

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Delegations** option from the **Admin** menu.

The *My Current Delegates* screen opens, which shows your existing delegations or indicates *No Results Found* if you have no delegations. However, these are your own (current user) delegations; this procedure helps you revoke a delegate of another user, not your own.

My Current Delegates 🛿						
Current Institution: CANCER INSTITUTE CORP						
You have the ability to d	elegate the following	g authority(authorities): PPF				
Filter Table	0 result(s)			*	«	• »
Name 📤		Role(s)	Commons ID 🌲			PPF
No Results Found						
		Delegate Progress	s Report Delegate Sponsor Institution D	elegation	Search or Add	Delegate

Figure 89: Delegate Progress Report And Delegate Sponsor Links

3. Select the **Delegate Progress Report** link to revoke Progress Report authority.

-OR-

Select the **Delegate Sponsor** link to revoke Sponsor authority.

A screen opens with search criteria for locating and selecting a user on whose behalf the authority is being revoked.

Admin Accounts - Deleg	ations ESI Eligibility
Third Party Delegat	es 😧
Current Institution: CANCER II	NSTITUTE CORP
You may use this search to del	egate Progress Report Authority on behalf of a Principal Investigator.
✓ Search Criteria	
This search may be used to	add new delegates or edit the roles of your current delegates.
Commons ID	Name
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing and select one
	Last Name, First Name, Middle Name
	Clear Search
	Return to My Current Delegates

Figure 90: Search to Revoke Authority on Behalf of a PI

4. Enter search criteria and click **Search**.

You can enter an exact **Commons ID**; no wildcards are allowed. Alternatively, in the **Name** field, you can type a few letters of the **last** name and a list of PI matches appears, which you must select from. Always enter the last name in the **Name** field because matches will not appear for first names. For instance, if you are looking for 'Sarah Johnson', entering 'Sarah' in the name field results in no matches to choose from; enter 'johnson' instead.

The matching records appear under **Search Results**.

Admin Accounts - Dele	gations ESI Eligibility					
Third Party Delegates Current Institution: CANCER INSTITUTE CORP You may use this search to delegate Progress Report Authority on behalf of a Principal Investigator.						
This search may be used t	to add new delegates or edit the	roles of your current de	elegates.			
Commons ID	Name	Name				
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing and select o	Begin typing and select one				
	Last Name, First Name, Middle Name Clear Search					
Search Results						
Filter Table	1 result(s)		📩 🌐 « 1 of 1 🗸 »			
Name 📤		Role(s)	Commons ID 💠			
SMITH, Joe		PI	SMITH			
	Select		Return to My Current Delegates			

Figure 91: Third Party Delegate Screen Showing Delegator in Search Results

5. From the three-dot ellipsis menu for the delegator (person who has a delegate that needs to be revoked), choose the **Select** option.

A message displays at the top of the screen as follows: You have selected to delegate Progress Report Authority on behalf of: <Name>.

At this point, use the same search criteria a second time to find and select the user from whom you are revoking the authority.

Admin Accounts - Delegations	ESI Eligibility						
Third Party Delegates 🛿							
Current Institution: CANCER INSTITUT	E CORP						
You have selected to delegate Progress	Report Authority on behalf of: Smith, Joe						
▼ Search Criteria							
This search may be used to add new	delegates or edit the roles of your current del	egates.					
Commons ID	Name						
EX: SMITHJ13	EX: SMITHJ13 Begin typing and select one						
	Last Name, First Name, Middle Name						
			Clear Search				
Search Results							
Filter Table 1 result(s	;)		▲ 🔳 « 1 of 1 🕶 »				
Name 🔷	Role(s)	Commons ID ≑	Progress Report				
Johnson, Sarah	PI	JOHNSON					
Ed	it Delegations		Return to My Current Delegates				

Figure 92: Third Party Search Results For Person From Whom You Are Revoking Authority

6. Enter the second set of search criteria to locate the user from whom you are revoking authority; then click **Search**.

The matching records display in the **Search Results** table.

7. From the three-dot ellipsis menu for the person from whom you are revoking authority, select the **Edit Delegations** option.

A popup appears with the names of both users; the first user; who is the delegator (the person who has a delegate), and the second user, who is the delegate (from whom authority is being revoked).

Delegate Progress Report Authority 🛿				
Current Institution: ROSWELL PARK CANCER INSTITUTE CORP				
On behalf of SMITH, Joe , you have selected to delegate access to: JOHNSON, SARAH; JOHNSON ; PI				
You may assign the following delegation(s):				
Progress Report				
O Note: "Saving" any new modifications of delegations will send a confirmation email to the delegate(s).				
Cancel	🖺 Save			

Figure 93: Toggle for Turning Progress Report Authority On or Off

8. Turn off the toggle for the authority being revoked and click **Save**.

A Success message appears in green font at the top of the screen. The former delegate receives an email informing of the change and no longer appears in the **My Current Delegates** screen for the delegating PI/Sponsor.

Institutional Delegation

Signing officials and business officials can delegate authority to PIs within their institutions to allow those PIs to submit Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPR) and Final Research Performance Progress Reports (Final RPPR) electronically to NIH. This authority can be revoked at any time. Granting and revoking Submit authority is managed through the *My Current Delegates* screen in Commons. Not all roles can delegate all authorities; refer to the table in the *Delegations* on page 172 topic for role-based constraints on delegation.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce and SAMHSA. Delegations cannot be used for DOC awards and SAMHSA.

Delegating Institutional Submit Progress Report Authority

eRA Commons users who are delegated the Submit Progress Report authority have the ability to submit RPPRs and FPRs that are designated with the Streamlined Non-competing Award Process (SNAP). Not all roles can delegate all authorities; refer to the table in the *Delegations* on page 172 topic for role-based constraints on delegation.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce and SAMHSA. Delegations cannot be used for DOC awards and SAMHSA.

To delegate Institutional Submit Progress Report authority to one or more users within your institution:

- 1. <u>Navigate to the Admin module</u>.
- 2. Select the **Delegations** option from the **Admin** menu.

The My Current Delegates screen opens.

Admin Accounts -	Delegations ESI Elig	ibility				
My Current Delegates 🛿						
Current Institution: CAN	CER INSTITUTE CORP					
You have the ability to de	elegate the following au	uthority(au	uthorities): PPF			
Filter Table	1 result(s)			▲ 🔳	(1 of 1	• »
Name 📤			Role(s)	Commons ID 🌲		PPF
SMITH, Joe			PI	SMITH		~
	Delegate Progress	s Report	Delegate Sponsor	Institution Delegation	Search or Add D	elegate

Figure 94: Institution Delegation Link for Granting Submit Progress Report Authority

3. Click the **Institution Delegation** link.

The *Institution Delegations* screen displays, showing the *Current Delegates* tab, which lists persons who currently possess Submit Progress Report authority.

NOTE: This section walks through the steps for granting the authority. See *Revoking Institutional Submit Progress Report Authority* on page 195 for the steps on revoking the authority.

Admi	n Accour	nts - Delegat	ions ESI Eligibility					
Inst	Institution Delegation @							
Curre	nt Institutio	n: CANCER INS	TITUTE CORP					
You h	ave the aut	hority to Revoke	/Allow Submit Progress Repo	ort for your Institution.				
Cu	rrent Delega	ates Candida	ates for Delegation					
					Revoke Delegation(s)			
	Filter Table	e	1 Results	*	(1 of 1 v)			
	=-							
	•	Name 🌻		Commons ID 🌲				
		Hussein, A		AAHUS				
					Return to My Current Delegates			

Figure 95: Current Delegates Tab of Institution Delegation Screen

4. Click the Candidates for Delegation tab. A list of all users in your institution who are eligible for submit authority appears.

Admin Accounts - Delegatio	ns ESI Eligibility					
Institution Delegation 🛿						
Current Institution: CANCER INST	TUTE CORP					
You have the authority to Revoke/A	Illow Submit Progress Report for your I	nstitution.				
Current Delegates Candidate	es for Delegation					
		Allow Delegation(s)				
Filter Table	488 Results	▲ (1 of 49				
	Name ≑	Commons ID 💠				
	Doe, Jane	JANEDOE				
	Roe, Jim	JIMROE				
		ARUISHA SAMANIT DESSAL				

Figure 96: Candidates for Delegation Tab of Institution Delegation Screen

NOTE: For information on working with table tools to filter results, download/print, limit rows per page, or navigate through pages of results, see *Standard Tools for Tables* on page 109.

Filter Table	367 Results		≵ ⊞ <	1 of 15 🗸 🔪	
E - Application/Award ID ≑	Grants.gov Tracking # ≑	Proposal Title 🌲		PD/PI Name 🗘	

5. In the first column of the table, mark the checkbox(es) for users(s) who will be granted Submit Progress Report delegation. **TIP:** If bestowing or revoking Submit Progress Report authority for many users, use the bulk action tool to access the **Select All** or **Deselect All** option.



6. When finished marking checkboxes, click the **Allow Delegation(s)** button.

The Review Allow Delegation(s) screen displays a certification and acceptance agreement. On this screen, you certify that by delegating the selected users to submit RPPR and MYPR reports, you are granting them the ability to answer the following statement on your behalf:

I certify that the statements herein are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and accept the obligation to comply with Public Health Services terms and conditions if a grant is awarded as a result of this application. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties.

Admin Accounts - C	Delegations ESI Eligib	ility	
Review Allow De	legation(s) 🛛		
Current Institution: CANC	ER INSTITUTE CORP		
* Required Field			
DELEGATION OF AUTHO	RITY FOR APPLICANT	ORGANIZATION CERTIFICATION AND ACCEPTANCE:	
		•	à
Delegate Name	Commons ID		
Doe, Jane	JANEDOE		
By delegating the authorit answer the following state		PR Progress Reports to the NIH, you agree to allow these individuals to	
□ * I certify that the stater	nents herein are true, co	mplete and accurate to the best of my knowledge, and accept the	
		erms and conditions if a grant is awarded as a result of this application. I tatements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative	
		Cancel I Agree	

Figure 97: Review Allow Delegation(s) screen, where you must review/agree with a certification

7. Click the **I Agree** button to certify and confirm delegation.

You are returned to the *Institution Delegation* screen and a Success message appears in green font at the top of the screen. eRA Commons bestows the Submit Progress Report authority for the selected users, who receive an email informing them of the change. The *Institution Delegations* screen displays the new delegates in the **Current Delegates** tab. These names no longer appear in the **Candidates for Delegation** tab.

Revoking Institutional Submit Progress Report Authority

To revoke Institutional Submit Progress Report authority from one or more users within the same institution:

- 1. <u>Navigate to the Admin module</u>.
- 2. Select the **Delegations** option from the **Admin** menu.

The My Current Delegates screen opens.

Admin Accounts - Del	legations ESI Eligibility				
My Current Delega	ates 😮				
Current Institution: CANCER	R INSTITUTE CORP				
You have the ability to deleg	gate the following authority(au	ithorities): PPF			
Filter Table	1 result(s)		★ 🔳	« 1 of 1	• »
Name 📤		Role(s)	Commons ID 👙		PPF
SMITH, Joe		PI	SMITH		~
	Delegate Progress Report	Delegate Sponsor	Institution Delegation	Search or Add D	elegate

Figure 98: Institution Delegation Link for Revoking Submit Progress Report Authority

3. Click the **Institution Delegation** link.

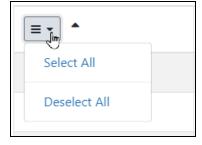
The Institution Delegation screen displays, with the *Current Delegates* tab showing current delegates.

Admiı	n Accour	nts 💌	Delegatio	ns ESI Eligibility		
Inst	itution	Dele	gation	0		
Curre	nt Institutio	n: CAI	NCER INST	TUTE CORP		
You h	ave the aut	hority	to Revoke/A	llow Submit Progress Report fo	or your Institution.	
Cu	rrent Delega	ates	Candidate	s for Delegation		
						Revoke Delegation(s)
	Filter Table	е		1 Results	*	(1 of 1 v)
	^	Nam	ne ≑		Commons ID	
		Huss	sein, A		AAHUS	
						Return to My Current Delegates

NOTE: This section walks through the steps for revoking the authority. See *Delegating Institutional Submit Progress Report Authority* on page 190 for the steps on granting the authority.

- 4. Mark the checkboxes of the current delegate(s) whose delegation is to be revoked.
- 5. Click the **Revoke Delegation(s)** button.

TIP: If bestowing or revoking Submit Progress Report authority for many users, use the bulk action tool to access the **Select All** or **Deselect All** options.



The Review Revoke Delegation(s) screen appears.

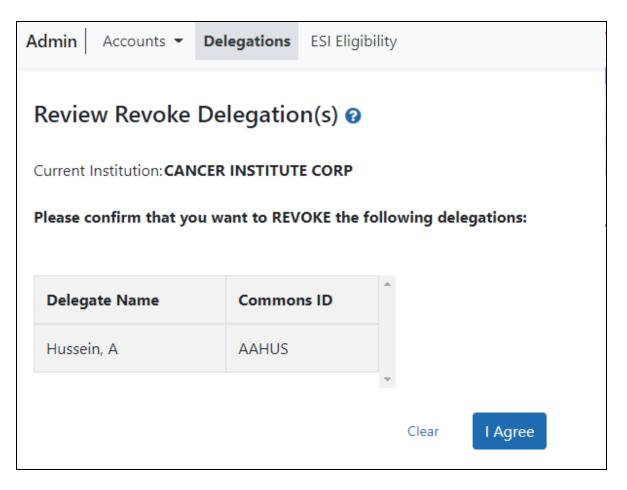


Figure 99: Review Revoke Delegations Screen, Where You Must Click I Agree Button to Complete the Revocation

6. Click the **I Agree** button.

You are returned to the *Institution Delegation* screen and a Success message appears in green at the top of the screen. The delegates whose authority you revoked no longer appear in the *Current Delegates* tab on this screen.

The Submit Progress Report authority is revoked for the selected users, and they receive an email informing them of the change.

Direct Delegations

Some Commons users can delegate authority directly to another Commons user so that user can access features in Commons (such as RPPR). Some users can also grant

authority to another Commons user to access features of their own account (such as Personal Profile).

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. Delegations cannot be used for DOC awards.

Depending on the type of Commons user granting the authority and the type of user being granted authority, delegation could occur for the following:

• Delegate Progress Report authority

A PI can delegate their Progress Report authority to any active user within the same institution.

• Delegate Status authority

A PI can grant someone with an ASST role the authority to work with the Commons Status feature by delegating Status authority.

• Delegate PPF authority

Any active Commons user can grant another active user the ability to enter their Personal Profile by delegating PPF authority.

• Delegate xTrain authority

A PI can grant an ASST the ability to work with xTrain by delegating xTrain authority.

• Delegate SPONSOR authority

A sponsor can grant an ASST the ability to work with xTrain by delegating SPONSOR authority.

Delegate Authority to Someone

NOTE: This topic discusses delegating authority directly to another user or to someone who needs to access your own account information. See *Delegate on Behalf of Another User* on page 174 for delegating authority to a user on behalf of someone else.

Not all roles can delegate all authorities; refer to the table in the *Delegations* on page 172 topic for role-based constraints on delegation.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. Delegations cannot be used for DOC awards.

To delegate the authority of your account directly to another Commons user:

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Delegations** option from the **Admin** menu.

The My Current Delegates screen opens. A table shows your existing delegations or indicates *No Results Found* if you have no delegations. See *Edit Delegations* on page 206 for steps on editing existing delegations.

🗰 🥼 Commons 🦺 🛚	National Insti Office of Extramurs	tutes of Health / Research			?	د ۵
Imin Home Accounts - Delegations						
My Current Delegates 😧						
Current Institution: UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES						
Current Institution: UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES	(authorities): PP	F, Progress Report, xTRAIN, S	tatus			
	(authorities): PP	F, Progress Report, xTRAIN, S	tatus		1 of 1	♥ ≫
You have the ability to delegate the following authority	(authorities): PP	F, Progress Report, xTRAIN, S Commons ID 🖨	. (=	Progress Report		× »
/ou have the ability to delegate the following authority Filter Table 2 result(s)			¥	Progress		

Figure 100: My Current Delegates Screen - Search or Add Delegate Link

Depending on your Commons role, you might not be able to delegate all types of authority. The screen lists the authority available for delegation.

3. Click the **Search or Add Delegate** link.

The Search Potential Delegates screen appears.

Admin Home Accounts	- Delegations		
Search Potential D	elegates 😮		
Current Institution: COLUM	BIA UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES		
\checkmark Search Criteria			
This search may be used	to add new delegates or edit the roles of y	our current delegates.	
Commons ID	Name	add Role(s)	
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing and select one	~ AA	A
	smith	;T	
	Smith, A	·	•
	Smith, Ben	down Ctrl k ple select /	
	Smith, Bren		Clear
	Smith, Car		
	Smith, Clark		Return to My Current Delegates
	Smith Craig R	•	

Figure 101: Search for Potential Delegates

4. Enter search criteria and click **Search**.

You can enter an exact **Commons ID**; no wildcards are allowed. Alternatively, in the **Name** field, you can type a few letters of the **last** name and a list of matches appears, which you must select from. Always enter the last name in the **Name** field because matches will not appear for first names. For instance, if you are looking for 'Sarah Johnson', entering 'Sarah' in the name field results in no matches to choose from; enter 'johnson' instead. Additionally, you can also select one or more roles, using Ctrl+click, from the **Roles** list to search on.

Matching users display in Search Results. Checkmarks in the authority columns (such as the PPF column), indicate that the user has that authority currently.

Admin Accounts -	Delegations ESI Eligi	bility		
Search Potential Current Institution: CANC	_			
▼ Search Criteria				
This search may be used Commons ID	to add new delegates Name	or edit the roles of you	current delegates. Role(s)	
EX: SMITHJ13		and select one * ame, Middle Name	AA AO ASST BO	
			Hold down Ctrl key to do multiple select / deselect	
			Clea	rSearch
Search Results Filter Table	1 result(s)		★ 🔳 «	1 of 1 🗸 »
Name 📤		Role(s)	Commons ID 🍦	PPF
SMITH, Joe	Edit Delegatio	PI PI	SMITH	

Figure 102: Search Potential Delegates Search Results

5. From the three-dot ellipsis menu for the person who you are designating as your delegate, choose the **Edit Delegations** option.

The Select Delegation(s) screen displays with a confirmation as follows: You have selected to delegate access to: [Name, Commons ID, Role].

The authorities that are available for delegation, which are listed with toggles, vary depending on your Commons role and the role of the selected user. For information on delegating specific authority, refer to the <u>Delegation Authorities table</u>.

Select Delegation(s) 🚱	×
Current Institution: CANCER INSTITUTE CORP	
You have selected to delegate access to: SMITH, Joe; SMITH; PI	
You may assign the following delegation(s):	
Clear All Sele	ect All
PPF	
Progress Report	
Sponsor	
Status	
xTRAIN	
O Note: "Saving" any new modifications of delegations will send a confirmation email to the delegate(s).	
Cancel	Save

Figure 103: Select Delegations Screen

6. Turn on the toggle of the specific authority you want to delegate, such as PPF (Personal Profile). Multiple authorities can be selected if available.

NOTE: Click the **Select All** link to toggle all available authorities on.

7. Click the **Save** button.

A Success message appears in green font at the top of the screen. If you go back to the *My Current Delegates* screen, you see the delegation you just configured, with a check-mark in the column for which you delegated an authority. The selected user receives an email informing of the change.



Figure 104: Checkmark in the Authority Column on My Current Delegates Lets You See What Authorities are Bestowed

Search Delegations

To search for a user to view the user's delegation:

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Delegations** option from the **Admin** menu.

The My Current Delegates screen opens. A table shows your existing delegations or indicates *No Results Found* if you have no delegations.

Depending on your Commons role, you might not be able to delegate all types of authority. The screen lists the authority available for delegation.

3. Click the **Search or Add Delegate** link.

ERA Commons 🦧 N	H National Insti Office of Extramura	tutes of Health I Research			?	د ۵
Admin Home Accounts - Delegations						
My Current Delegates ? Current Institution: UNIVERSITY HEALTH SCIENCES You have the ability to delegate the following authority(a	authorities): PP	F, Progress Report, xTRAIN, St	atus			
Filter Table 2 result(s)			* E	»	1 of 1	×
Name 🕈	Role(s)	Commons ID ≑	PPF	Progress Report		xTRAIN
Swanson, Ron •••	ASST	PDPD07PD	~	~	~	~
Knope, Leslie •••	SO	PDPDCUC	~			
	•			Sea	rch or Ad	d Delegate

Figure 105: My Current Delegates Screen - Search or Add Delegate Link

The Search Potential Delegates screen appears.

4. Enter search criteria and click **Search**.

You can enter an exact **Commons ID**; no wildcards are allowed. Alternatively, in the **Name** field, you can type a few letters of the **last** name and a list of matches appears, which you must select from. Always enter the last name in the **Name** field because matches will not appear for first names. For instance, if you are looking for 'Sarah Johnson', entering 'Sarah' in the name field results in no matches to choose from; enter 'johnson' instead. Additionally, you can also select one or more roles, using Ctrl+click, from the **Roles** list to search on.

Admin Home Accounts	Delegations			
Search Potential De	elegates 😧			
✓ Search Criteria				
This search may be used to	add new delegates or edit the roles of you	ır current delegates.		
Commons ID	Name	add Rol	e(s)	
EX: SMITHJ13	Begin typing and select one	~ A	A	
	smith		Т	
	Smith, A		A dawar Christian da	•
	Smith, Ben		down Ctrl key to do ple select / deselect	
	Smith, Bren			Clear Search
	Smith, Car		Return	to My Current Delegates
	Smith, Clark		•	
	Smith Craig R			

Figure 106: Search for Potential Delegates

Matching users display in **Search Results**. The results include the user's name, role(s), and Commons ID. You can then use the three-dot ellipsis menu of users to edit delegations.

Edit Delegations

To edit the delegations already assigned to users for your own account:

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Delegations** option from the **Admin** menu.

The My Current Delegates screen opens. A table shows your existing delegations or indicates *No Results Found* if you have no delegations.

min Accounts 🔻 🕻	Delegations Account Verific	ation						
/ly Current Dele	egates 🛿							
urrent Institution: UNIV	ERSITY OF ANGELES							
ou have the ability to de	elegate the following authorit	y(authorities): PF	PF, Progress Report, xTRAIN, Sta	atus, Sponsor				
Filter Table	3 result(s)	u			<u>.</u>		« 1 of	1 •
			Commons ID ≑	555	Progress			
Name [▲]		Role(s)	Commons ID 👳	PPF	Report	Sponsor	Status	xTRAIN
Name Andriucs, Sam		ASST	ANDRUCS	• • •	Report	Sponsor	Status	×TRAII
	Edit Delegations Delete Delegations					Sponsor		

Figure 107: My Current Delegates - Edit Delegations Option Under Three-Dot Ellipsis Menu

3. From the three-dot ellipsis menu for a delegate, choose the **Edit Delegations** option.

The *Select Delegation(s)* screen shows the selected user and the authorities available for delegation to that user. Active toggles next to an authority indicate that the authority has been granted.

Select Delegation(s) 📀 🛛 🗙
Current Institution: UNIVERSITY OF ANGELES
You have selected to delegate access to: Andrucs, Sam; ANDRUCS; ASST
You may assign the following delegation(s):
Clear All Select All
PPF
Progress Report
Sponsor
Status
xTRAIN
• Note: "Saving" any new modifications of delegations will send a confirmation email to the delegate(s).
Cancel 🖺 Save

Figure 108: Delegated Authorities are Updated by Turning Toggles On or Off

4. Edit the user's delegations by toggling authorities on or off, then click **Save**.

eRA Commons sends an email informing the delegate of the change. The **My Current Delegates** screen shows the delegated user with a checkmark in the associated column for each authority granted. If all authorities are revoked, that user no longer displays in the table.

Remove Delegations

To remove the delegations already assigned to users for your own account:

- 1. Navigate to the Admin module.
- 2. Select the **Delegations** option from the **Admin** menu.

The My Current Delegates screen opens. A table shows your existing delegations or indicates *No Results Found* if you have no delegations.

Admin Accounts - De	elegations Account Verification	ation						
My Current Deleg	gates 😧							
Current Institution: UNIVE	RSITY OF ANGELES							
You have the ability to dele	egate the following authority	(authorities): PP	F, Progress Report, xTRAIN, Status, Sp	onsor				
Filter Table	3 result(s)	LI			2	. 🔳	« 1 of	f1 ¥ »
Name 🕈		Role(s)	Commons ID 👙	PPF	Progress Report	Sponsor	Status	xTRAIN
Andrucs, Sam		ASST	ANDRUCS	~	~		~	~
CHURY, SHONA	Edit Delegations Delete Delegations	PI	CHURY2		~			
Lus, Marantha		ASST	LUSM2	~	~	~	~	~
						S	earch or A	dd Delegate

Figure 109: My Current Delegates

3. For the user whose delegation you are revoking, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **Edit Delegations** to revoke only part of their delegation authorities. If you want to remove all delegations at once, select **Delete Delegations** instead, and then click the **Confirm Delete** button in the popup that appears.

The *Select Delegation(s)* popup shows the authorities, with toggles, that are available for delegation or revocation.

Select Delegation(s) 😧	×
Current Institution: UNIVERSITY OF ANGELES	
You have selected to delegate access to: Andrucs, Sam; ANDRUCS; ASST	
You may assign the following delegation(s):	
Clear All	Select All
PPF	
Progress Report	
Sponsor	
Status	
xTRAIN	
• Note: "Saving" any new modifications of delegations will send a confirmation email to the delegate(s).	
Cancel	🖺 Save

Figure 110: Turning Off Toggles Removes the Delegation

 Remove a specific authority by turning off the corresponding toggles, then click Save.

The authorit(ies) whose toggles you turned off are revoked, and the user receives an email informing of the change. The **My Current Delegates** screen shows the delegated user with checkmarks corresponding to the authorities you bestowed. If all authorities are revoked, that user no longer displays in the table.

ESI Eligibility Search

Signing officials (SOs) or their delegates and authorized officials (AOs) can use the *ESI Eligibility* screen to search for specific principal investigators (PIs) to check their eligibility status. The list shows only principal investigators who are associated with the user's institution.

NOTE: The list not sortable. If the ability to sort the table is needed, users can download the entire list to .CSV and open it in another program that includes sorting capabilities. See *Using the ESI Eligibility Screen* on page 212 below.

ESI stands for Early Stage Investigator, which is a PI who has completed their terminal research degree or end of post-graduate clinical training within the past 10 years and who has not yet competed successfully for a substantial NIH independent research award. ESI status is important because NIH has policies in place to prioritize awards that fund early stage investigators. See <u>Early Stage Investigator Policies</u>.

Accessing the ESI Eligibility Screen

Only SOs and AOs see the ESI Eligibility screen. It can be accessed in two ways:

- Go to the Status module and select **ESI Eligibility** from the **Search Type** menu. This takes you directly to the *ESI Eligibility* screen.
- Go to the Account Management/Admin module and select **ESI Eligibility** from the top navigation. This also takes you directly to the *ESI Eligibility* screen.

Admin Home Accounts - Delegation	s ESI Eligibility	
ESI Eligibility		
Search By Name: Last Name, First Name	search clear 8,287 Results	▲ 🔳 < 1 of 829 ~ >
Name	ESI Eligible?	ESI Eligibility End Date
ANDERSON, JIM	Yes	05/2032
BROWN, JEN	Yes	05/2030
CHEN, QUIANG	No	N/A
DAVIS, JO	No	N/A
GARCIA, JOSE	No	N/A
JOHNSON, DAVE	No	N/A
JONES, SALLY	No	N/A
MILLER, JOHN	Yes	08/2024
ROGRIGUEZ, MARIA	No	05/2005
ZHANG, MEI	No	05/2010

Using the ESI Eligibility Screen

- To search for a specific PI, enter all or part of their name, in the format *Last Name*, *First Name*, into the **Search by Name** field and click **Search**. '
- To download the list, click the export icon 🕹 and save the .CSV file. You can then open it in Excel or a similar program.

Federal Financial Report (FFR) Module

A Federal Financial Report (FFR) is a statement of expenditures associated with a grant. Recipients of federal funds are required to report the status of funds for grants or assistance agreements to the sponsor of the grant using the Federal Financial Report expenditure data.

The FFR module lets grantees search for and initiate the FFR from within eRA Commons, which redirects them to the federal Payment Management System to complete the submission. Grantees can also check on the status of submitted FFRs, view the PDF of submitted FFRs, and view the history of activity for an FFR.

Beginning January 1, 2021, HHS grant recipients are required to submit the SF-425 long form in the <u>Payment Management System (PMS)</u> instead of the eRA Commons FFR Module.

Guide notices:

NOT-OD-20-127 - Announcement of transition <u>https://-</u> grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-20-127.html

NOT-OD-21-046 - Additional Implementation details <u>https://-grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-21-046.html</u>

Register with PMS (<u>https://pmsapp.psc.gov/pms/app/userrequest</u>) and obtain PMS log in credentials prior to submitting an FFR. Familiarize yourself with PMS using the documentation provided by PMS (see <u>https://pms.psc.gov/pms-user-guide/federal-financial-report.html</u>). The PMS Help Desk can help with system problems; see <u>https://pms.psc.gov/support/help-desk.html</u>.

Department of Commerce (DOC) Training Materials

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce Internal Staff ONLY. Online help for Department of Commerce (DOC) users is coming. In the meantime, eRA training materials can be found on the following DOC webpage: <u>https://</u>- connection.commerce.gov/collection/grants-enterprise-management-solution. **NOTE:** This page is accessible only by DOC internal users.

Report Submission Due Dates

The FFR is prepared and submitted by Grant and Contract Accounting (GCA) on behalf of the Principal Investigator (PI). The schedule for submitting required financial reports is generally specified in the award documents of a grant or contract. <u>See NIH FFR Supplemental instructions</u>. Different due dates exist for FFRs depending on whether the report is an annual report or the final report.

Annual Federal Financial Report

Except for awards under SNAP and awards that require more frequent reporting, the FFR is required on an annual basis. When required on an annual basis, the report must be submitted for each budget period no later than 90 days after the end of the calendar quarter in which the budget period ended. The reporting period for an annual FFR will be that of the budget period for the particular grant; however, the actual submission date is based on the calendar quarter.

This translates to the dates in the following table:

Reporting Period/Budget Period Ends in:	FFR Due Date
January, February, March	June 30
April, May, June	September 30
July, August, September	December 21
October, November, December	March 31

Final Federal Financial Report

For awards requiring a final FFR, the due date and status for a final FFR are based on the Project Period End Date (PPED) as follows:

- *Pending*: If the FFR is not submitted and it is within 120 days of the PPED
- *Due*: If the FFR is not submitted and it is between the PPED and 120 days past the PPED
- *Late*: If the FFR is not submitted and it is over 120 days past the PPED

FSR Role in Commons

A user who needs the authority to view, enter, and submit an FFR on behalf of a research institution must possess the *FSR* role in eRA Commons to access the FFR module. An institution's Signing Official (SO) or Account Administrator can add this role to a user's account.

A Signing Official (SO) or Business Official/Administrative Official (BO/AO) can have the FSR role.

NOTE: A user who possesses only the *FSR* role can perform only those tasks associated with FFRs; however, an account can include multiple roles, including that of *FSR*.

Features of FFR

If you have the *FSR* role in Commons, you can use the FFR module to perform multiple tasks. Available options vary depending on the status of the FFR associated with the award.

- Search for grant awards within your organization having associated FFRs
- Initiate a FFR by clicking Manage FFR button, which redirects you to PMS to fill out and submit the FFR
- View an FFR as a PDF
- View the submission history of an FFR

NOTE: NIH requires all financial expenditure data to be submitted via PMS. This includes all initial FFRs being prepared for submission and any revised FFRs being submitted or re-submitted to an HHS agency.

The Commons Online Help contains detailed information on the FFR module. You can access the FFR topics by clicking any of the help icons ('?') on the FFR screens. If you prefer a PDF format user guide, refer to the *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Expenditure Data User Guide* at <u>https://www.era.nih.gov/files/ffr_user_guide.pdf</u>.

Accessing FFR

The FFR module is part of eRA Commons. If you hold the *FSR* Commons role, you have access to FFR.

1. Navigate to eRA Commons on the internet at https://pub-

lic.era.nih.gov/commonsplus/.

- 2. Log into Commons.
- 3. <u>Select the **FFR** module from Commons navigation</u>.

Search for FFRs

About the FFR Search Screen

Use the *Search for Federal Financial Report (FFR)* screen to search for grant awards within your organization that have associated FFRs.

Organization: UNIVERS		cial Report (F	FR) 😮		
Activity	IC	SAN DIEGO	Serial	Year	
R01	All		012345	02	
Status		Due Date Start		Due Date End	
All		01/01/2020	#	12/31/2020	台
				MYF Awards	Reset Search
Quick Search	165				Reset Search
Quick Search Received	165	Pending, Due, o	r Late	MYF Awards Due this year	Reset Search

Figure 111: Search for Federal Financial Report (FFR) Screen

Perform a Search

You can search either by entering search criteria or by clicking one of the predefined quick searches.

IMPORTANT: When searching based on search criteria, enter as many criteria as possible to perform a more narrow and specific search. Too broad of a search can result in a very large set of records returned by the FFR module, which might slow down the FFR response time.

Search Using Search Criteria

1. Select search criteria from the available dropdowns on the search screen.

The following dropdowns are available to search, which include parts of the grant number (See Deciphering the NIH Application/Grant Numbers document at https://www.era.nih.gov/files/Deciphering-NIH-Application.pdf, which also has IC abbreviations.)

- Activity Search by the grant number's activity code. Example R01 or U01.
- IC
 - This is a required field. Defaults to *All*, which searches all ICs. To search by specific IC(s), select one from the list, then to select another, select from the list again, and so on. Each appears in the IC field and can be removed by clicking the x next to the IC letters.
- Serial

Enter the serial number of the grant into the field.

- Year
 - Year of the grant.
- Status

Defaults to All, which will search for FFRs in all statuses.

To narrow the search to specific status(es), use the drop-down and select one or more status values to include in the search. To select more than one status, select the first status, then click the dropdown again and select another status. Each selected status appears in the **Status** field with an 'x' that you can click to remove it.

You may search for any combination of the following:

- Pending
- Due
- Late
- Received
- In Review
- Accepted
- Rejected
- Revision Pending
- Due Date

Will return records with a due date of the entered date or later. Enter a date directly into the field or select a date using the calendar tool.

NOTE: To see only multi-year funded SAMHSA awards, toggle the **MYF Awards** option to the 'on' position.

2. Click the **Search** button.

The results of the search appear in search results below the search criteria. Refer to the section below titled *Search Results* to learn what you can do with search results.

3. Click the **Reset Search** button to clear the results and perform a new query, as necessary.

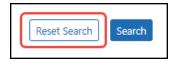


Figure 112: Reset Search button Using a Quick Search

Quick searches are one-click, pre-defined searches providing a convenient method of retrieving commonly entered criteria. They appear on the Search screen in FFR when you

first enter the module. If you do not see a list of quick searches defined at the bottom of the search screen, click the **Reset Search** button, shown below:

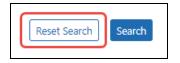


Figure 113: Reset Search button

To run a quick search:

1. Click the **Search** button of the desired quick search.

Received

Searches for and returns any records for FFRs in a status of *Received*, for all ICs.

Pending, Due, or Late

Searches for and returns any records for FFRs in a status of *Pending*, *Due*, and *Late*, for all ICs.

Due this year

Searches for and returns any records for FFRs in a status of *Received* with a start date of January 1 of the current year and an end date of December 31 of the current year.

Quick Searches		
Received	Pending, Due, or Late	Due this year
All ICs, Status of Received	All ICs, Status of Pending, Due, or Late	All ICs, All Statuses, Due Date Start Jan 1, Due Date End 12/31 of this
Q Search	Q Search	year. Q Search

Figure 114: FFR Quick Searches

- 2. In the search results, click the three-dot ellipsis menu to see actions you can take on a record. Refer to the section below for additional information on search results.
- 3. Click the **Reset Search** button to clear the results and perform a new search.

Search Results

FFR retrieves all matching awarded grants (except Fellowships). Use the grid tool (to specify how many records to display on a page.

Showing 51 - 10	00 of total 186	La Export					(2 of 4 🗸
Award Numbe	er 🔺	Doc No ≑	Spec. Funding ≑	FFR Due ≑	Submitted to Agency ≑	Budget Start 🌲	Budget End ≑	Latest FFR Status
▼5R21AT009	783-02 …	RAT00978	3A	05/31/202	1 04/30/2021	02/01/2019	01/31/2021	Accepted
History	Date Receive	d C	reated by		Processed by agency	Status	View	
	04/30/2021	FI	FR_APP_PROXY_USE	ER	Mannon, Tasia	Accepte	d 🛄	
5R21AR074763	-02 Manage F View PDF			03/30/202	2	12/01/2019	11/30/2	DF
			,	PMS S	ystem			

Figure 115: FFR search results, showing triangle to show additional data and three-dot ellipsis menu to show actions that you can take

Use the navigation buttons at the upper right of the results to navigate through the remaining records. Select the header of any column to re-sort the displayed records.

The hit list includes the following information:

- Award Number: The grant number is linked to the Grant Folder.
- Doc No: Award document number.
- **Three-dot ellipsis menu.** Displays all actions that can currently be performed on the FFR record. These options vary depending on the status of the FFR. Refer to the section below, titled *Actions*, for more information.
- **Spec. Funding:** Special funding indicator of *ARRA*, *Sandy*, or <blank> as appropriate.
- **FFR Due:** The date when FFR status will change from *Due* to *Late*.
- **Submitted to Agency:** The date on which the FFR was received by the agency, otherwise this column is blank.
- Budget Start: The budget period start date of grant.

- **Budget End:** The budget period end date of grant.
- Latest FFR Status

TIP: Use the **Export** button at the top of the search results to view the FFR search results in an Excel spreadsheet. Excel will open in a separate window.

Actions

The actions available for a FFR vary depending on the status of the FFR. All available actions are available by clicking the three-dot ellipsis menu next to the **Award Number** in the FFR results table.

Action Option	Available to FFRs in Status	Result of the Action
Manage FFR	 Pending Due Late Received Accepted Rejected Revision Pending 	Redirects to PMS, where (after you login) it opens the FFR long form for editing and submission.
History	 Received Accepted Rejected Revision Pending 	Displays a history of actions per- formed against the FFR record.
PDF	 Accepted In Review Received Rejected Revision Pending 	Opens the current version of the report in PDF format.

FFR Actions

Manage FFR Action

Select the **Manage FFR** action to be redirected to the current FFR in PMS, where, after logging in, you are presented with the FFR long form to complete and submit. You can either initiate the FFR using this button, or return to a partially completed FFR to continue editing it.

PDF Action

Select the **PDF** action to open a read-only PDF version of the report. This is available for FFRs in a status of *Received*, *In Review*, *Accepted*, *Rejected*, and *Revision Pending*.

History Action

Click the caret (triangle icon) next to the **Award Number** to display a brief history of the FFR since initiation. The history displays beneath the FFR record. History of the FFR includes:

- Date received by agency (if applicable)
- Name of the institution user who created the FFR
- Name of the agency staff member who processed the FFR (if applicable, otherwise N/A)
- Status of FFR
- PDF button for viewing the PDF

➡ 5R21AT009	783-02 ••• RAT009	9783A	05/31/202	05/31/2021 04/30/2021			01/3	1/2021	Accepted	
listory	Date Received	Created by		Processed by agency		Status		View		
	04/30/2021	FFR_APP_PROXY_USE	R	Mannon, Tasia		Accepted				

Figure 116: FFR History

Viewing No Cost Extension (NCE) Details

When you see an award with a green NCE icon next to the award number, it means the award has had a no-cost extension (NCE) applied. Click the down arrow next to **Award Number** to see both the regular FFR (REG) details, and the NCE details (E1, E2, etc). In the area that appears, also use the down arrow to toggle more information to appear or collapse.

Award Number		IC \$	Institution Name 🌲	Spec. Funding	GMS Name ≑	Foreign	FFR Due ≑	Rcvd By Agency ≑	Budget Start ≑	Budget End ≑	Latest FFR Status ≑	Doc No ≑	FY 📤	FOA \$	PCC \$
- H79TI000000-03	NCE	TI	ALLIANCE, INC.		Canye, Landrew		09/25/2022	04/26/2022	02/28/2021	06/27/2022	In Review	18TI81474A	2021	TI18-009	PDOA-18
	NCE#		FFR Due	9	Submitte	d to age	ncy	Budg	et Start	Budget	t End	FFR Status	5		
Click arrow	🗸 REG		05/28/20	022	04/26/202	22		02/28	/2021	02/27/2	2022	In Review			
next to Award			Date Received	(Created by			Processed by a	igency	Status	Vie	w			
to show			04/26/2022	ł	FR_APP_PRO>	(Y_USER	ī	N/A		In Revie					
NCE	E1		09/25/2	022				02/28	/2022	06/27/2	2022	Pending			

Federal Financial Report (FFR) Long Form (Non-DOC Awards)

You can initiate the *Federal Financial Report* from the FFR module in eRA Commons, whereupon you are redirected to the electronic FFR long form in the Payment Management System (PMS).

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. For DOC awards, users fill out the FFR long form in eRA Commons FFR module instead of being redirected to the Payment Management System.

Also see:

<u>Federal Financial Report (FFR)</u> (https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/federal-financial-report)

<u>Reminders of NIH Policies Related to Closeout</u> (April 2, 2021) (https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-21-102.html)

Before attempting to complete and submit an FFR, you must register with PMS and obtain login credentials (<u>https://pmsapp.psc.gov/pms/app/userrequest</u>). You are required to log into PMS before or during FFR initiation from eRA Commons.

Initiate FFR Long Form from eRA Commons

Before attempting to complete and submit an FFR, you must register with PMS and obtain login credentials (<u>https://pmsapp.psc.gov/pms/app/userrequest</u>). You are required to log into PMS before or during FFR initiation from eRA Commons.

- 1. In the FFR module in eRA Commons, <u>search for and find an FFR</u> that needs to be completed.
- 2. Select the **Manage FFR** option from the three-dot ellipsis menu for a record in the search results.

You are redirected to the federal Payment Management System, where you must log in. After login, the FFR long form is opened for the grant you were working on in the eRA Commons FFR module. Alternatively, you can go directly to the PMS system and find the FFR by searching for the Award Document Number using the PMS FFR search screen.

- 3. In the PMS FFR long form, complete the fields (see descriptions below for guidance).
- Follow PMS guidance for certifying and submitting the FFR to the sponsoring agency. See the documentation provided by PMS (<u>https://pms.psc.gov/pms-user-guide/federal-financial-report.html</u>).

Line 1. Federal Agency and Organizational Element to Which Report is Submitted

Displays the name of the Federal agency associated with the grant. This information is pre-populated from the grant information and cannot be edited.

Line 2. Federal Grant / Subaccount

Displays the Award Document Number assigned to the award by the Federal agency. This field is pre-populated and cannot be edited.

Line 3. Recipient Organization

Displays the name and complete address of the recipient organization. This field is prepopulated and cannot be edited.

Line 4a. DUNS Number

Displays the Dun & Bradstreet Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number or Central Contractor Registry (CCR) extended DUNS number belonging to the recipient agency. This information is pre-populated from the grant information and cannot be edited.

Line 4b. Employer Identification Number--EIN

Displays the number assigned by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Central Registry System for payment and accounting purposes. This information is prepopulated from the grant information and cannot be edited.

Line 5. Recipient Account Number or Identifying Number

Enter the recipient account number or any other identifying number assigned to the award by the recipient. This is not a requirement of the Federal agency and is for the recipient's use only.

Line 6. Report Type

Displays the Report Type:

- Annual
- Final

This information is pre-populated from the grant information and cannot be edited.

Line 7. Basis of Accounting

Select the appropriate option from the dropdown menu to indicate the basis used for recording the transactions related to the award:

- Cash
- Accrual

Accrual basis of accounting refers to the accounting method in which expenses are recorded when incurred. For Cash basis accounting, expenses are recorded when they are paid.

Line 8. Project/Grant Period (From and To)

Indicates the period established in the award document during which Federal sponsorship begins and ends.

Line 9. Reporting Period End Date

Displays the ending date of the reporting period.

Line 10. Transactions

For each field of the Transaction section, enter the cumulative amounts from the date of inception of the award through the end date of the reporting period specified in the Reporting Period End Date field.

Federal Cash (lines 10a-10c)

These data fields are prepopulated in the Payment Management System, but may be recalculated in PMS by clicking the Recalculate icon next to the field. For Annual FFRs, these fields can be updated by the recipient. For Final FFRs, these fields can only be updated by the Recalculate button (if available). A Final FFR can NOT be submitted unless 10a and 10b are equal to each other and 10c is \$0.00. 10c is a calculated value and cannot be edited.

Federal Expenditures and Unobligated Balance (lines 10d-10h)

Use lines **10.d-h** for single grant reporting.

10.d Total Federal funds authorized

Displays the cumulative total Federal funds authorized.

- For research ICs, this amount will reflect the total for the indicated grant segment.
- For Non-Research ICs, this amount will reflect the total for the IC and serial number.

10.e Federal share of expenditures

Enter the amount of Federal fund expenditures. Expenditures are the sum of actual cash disbursements for direct charges for goods and services; the amount of indirect expenses charged to the award; and the amount of cash advances and payments made to sub-recipients and subcontractors. A Final FFR can NOT be submitted unless 10e is equal to 10a and 10b.

10.f Federal share of unliquidated obligations

Enter the Federal portion of unliquidated obligations. Unliquidated obligations on a cash basis are obligations incurred, but not yet paid. On an accrual basis, these are obligations incurred, but for which outlay has not yet been recorded. Those obligations include

direct and indirect expenses incurred but not yet paid or charged to the award, including amounts due to sub-recipients and subcontractors.

On the final report, this line must be zero. Do not include any amount that has been reported in the **Federal share of expenditures** (line 10e). Do not include any amount for a future commitment of funds (such as a long-term contract) for which an obligation or expense has not been incurred.

10.g Total Federal share

This is the sum of **Federal share of expenditures** (line 10e) and **Federal share of unliquidated obligations** (line 10f).

This information is calculated and cannot be edited.

Line 10.h Unobligated balance of Federal funds

This is the amount of **Total Federal funds authorized** (line 10d) minus **Total Federal share** (line 10g).

This information is calculated and cannot be edited.

Recipient Share (lines 10i-10k)

Do not complete this section if reporting on multiple awards.

10.i Total recipient share required

Enter the total required recipient share for the reporting period specified in the **Reporting Period End Date** field (line 9). The required recipient share should include all matching and cost sharing provided by recipients and third-party providers to meet the level required by the Federal agency. This amount should not include cost sharing and match amounts in excess of the amount required by the Federal agency (e.g., cost overruns for which the recipient incurs additional expenses and, therefore, contributes a greater level of cost sharing or match than the level required by the Federal agency).

10.j Recipient share of expenditures

Enter the recipient share of actual cash disbursements or outlays (less any rebates, refunds, or other credits) including payments to subrecipients and subcontractors. This

amount may include the value of allowable in-kind match contributions and recipient share of program income used to finance the non-Federal share of the project or program.

Note that on the final report, this line should be equal to or greater than the amount of the **Total recipient share required** (line 10i).

10.k Remaining recipient share to be provided

This is a calculated field for showing the amount of **Total recipient share required** (line 10i) minus **Recipient share of expenditures** (line 10j).

If the **Recipient share of expenditures** is greater than the **Total recipient share required** amount, the field will show zero.

This information is calculated and cannot be edited.

Program Income (lines 10I-10o)

Do not complete this section if reporting for multiple awards

10.I Total Federal program income earned

Enter the amount of Federal program income earned. Do not report any program income here that is being allocated as part of the recipient's cost sharing amount included in the **Recipient share of expenditures** field (line 10j).

10m Program income expended in accordance with the deduction alternative

Enter the amount of program income that was used to reduce the Federal share of the total project costs.

10.n Program income expended in accordance with the addition alternative

Enter the amount of program income that was added to funds committed to the total project costs and expended to further eligible project or program activities.

10.0 Unexpended program income

Enter the amount of **Total Federal program income earned** (line 10l) minus the **Program income expended in accordance with the deduction alternative** (line 10m) or **Program income expended in accordance with the addition alternative** (line 10n). This amount equals the program income that has been earned but not expended, as of the reporting period end date.

This information is calculated and cannot be edited.

Line 11. Indirect Expense

Indirect expenses are the costs associated with the general operation of an institution and the performance of its research activities. In the Payment Management System (PMS), you are limited to 10 indirect expenses only, and if there are more than 10, you must enter the rest in the **Remarks** field.

11.а Туре

This field represents the type of indirect expense. Types include Provisional, Predetermined, Final, or Fixed.

11.b Rate

This field indicates the indirect cost rate in effect during the reporting period. This number is a percentage.

11.c Period From/Period To

The "From" and "To" range of the period as related to the indirect costs.

11.d Base

Base represents the amount of the base against which the indirect cost was applied.

11.e Amount Charged

This field represents the total amount of indirect costs charged during the reporting period.

11.f Federal Share

This field indicates the Federal portion of the Amount Charged (line 11e).

11.g Totals

These fields are the calculated sums of indirect expense entries for each of the following fields: **Base**, **Amount Charged**, and **Federal Share**.

Line 12. Remarks

Enter any explanations or additional information required by the Federal sponsoring agency including excess cash as stated in the field for **Cash on Hand** (line 10c). If you have more than 10 indirect expenses (Line 11), enter additional expenses in the **Remarks** field.

NOTE: Remarks are required when submitting a revision to an FFR or on an Annual FFR if Cash on Hand (10c) is greater than \$0.00.

Prepared by

Select your username from the **Prepared by** dropdown to complete the preparation of the FFR. The phone number and email address are prepopulated based on your PMS credentials and are not editable. The **Date Report Prepared** field automatically populates today's date.

Submit/Certify the Long Form FFR Report

NOTE: If you are not ready to submit, you can click the **Save** button and come back to the report later.

After selecting your username from the **Prepared by** dropdown, click the **Submit** button.

Once prepared the FFR must be Certified. The certifier will receive a notification from PMS when an FFR is ready to be certified. If you are the certifier, you should log into PMS and locate the FFR.

When prompted, select your username from the **Signature of Authorized Certifying Official** dropdown to complete the certification of the FFR. The phone number and email address are prepopulated based on your PMS credentials and are not editable. The **Date Report Submitted** field automatically populates today's date.

Submit the report to be certified by clicking the **Certify** button. If you do not see the **Cer-tify** button, submit the form first.

You can log into eRA Commons FFR module to check on the status of the submission.

Payment Request Overview

The Payment Request process in the eRA Commons Federal Financial Reporting (FFR) module lets grantees initiate payment requests and submit them to the DOC agency. It also allows DOC staff to review, approve, decline, and acknowledge steps in the processing of submitted payment requests.

DOC awardees/grantees can learn how to initiate and submit payment requests using the following help topic:

Payment Request for DOC Awardees in the eRA Commons Online Help. (https://www.era.nih.gov/erahelp/commons)

Role for Users of Payment Request Screen in FFR

Users require specific roles for their affiliated organizations to have privileges to complete necessary tasks. The role that eRA Commons users need to access the payment request process, along with associated privileges, is below:

Role Name	Description
FSR	Users can:
(Grantee)	 Access Payment Request functionality in FFR
	 Initiate, Save and Submit Payment Request(s) for awards made to their affiliated organization
	Track Payment Request Status
	View Payment Request History

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Payment Request for DOC Awardees

The Payment Request process in eRA Commons Federal Financial Reporting (FFR) module lets awardees (grantees) initiate payment requests and submit them to the Department of Commerce (DOC) agency. It also allows DOC staff to review, approve, decline, and acknowledge steps in the processing of submitted payment requests.

This topic shows DOC awardees (grantees) how to initiate and submit a payment request to DOC.

Initiating a Payment Request for Awardees

FFR is accessible to grantees via an externally accessible site (https://public.era.nih.gov/commonsplus). Grantees access the Payment Request screen in FFR by doing the following:

- 1. Use eRA credentials (user name / password), login.gov credential (user name /password) or Federated account to log in to eRA Commons.
- 2. Once logged in, select "Federal Financial Report (FFR)" from the apps menu
- 3. The Search for Federal Financial Reports (FFR) screen appears as the landing page.
- 4. On the landing page, click on the "Payment Request" tab from sub-navigation to access the Payment Requests page.

FR Search FFR Payment Requests				
Payment Requests				
Project Number Or Application Number Enter at least 4 characters of project/application number Last Payment Request Status	Awarding Office/IC Change Selections None Period Covered by Request Start Date	Period Covered by Request End Date	l⊋	
All	MM/DD/YYYY	MM/DD/YYYY		
				Clear Search Form Search

Figure 117: Payment Requests tab is available in FFR screen

Searching for a Grant/Award in Payment Request

You can search on the following search criteria:

- **Project Number or Application Number.** Used to conduct a search for a particular project or group of projects using at least 4 characters in the project number (the project number is listed as the Award Number on the Notice of Award (NoA)
- Awarding Office/IC. Used to conduct a search for a group of projects from an Awarding Office or Offices within the Department of Commerce
- Last Payment request Status. Used to conduct a search for a group of projects where the most recent payment request is in a particular status. The search defaults to All, which will search for Payment Requests in all status. To narrow the search by a specific status, select a value from the drop-down. Available status search options are as follows:
 - All
 - Work In Progress
 - Submitted
 - Approved
 - Declined
 - Authorized in ASAP
 - Payment Processed
 - Payment Failed
 - Payment on Hold
- **Period Covered by Request Start Date.** Will return records with a period covered by request start date of the entered date or later. Enter a date directly into the field or select a date using the calendar tool.
- **Period Covered by Request End Date.** Will return records with a period covered by request end date of the entered date or earlier. Enter a date directly into the field or select a date using the calendar tool.

To conduct a general search, click on the "Search" button without entering any search criteria. Click the "Clear Search Form" link to clear the search and conduct a new search.

Search FFR Payment Requests						
Payment Requests						
Project Number Or Application Number Enter at least 4 characters of project/application number		Awarding Office/IC Change Selections (97)			
Last Payment Request Status		Period Covered by Request Start Date		Period Covered by 😓 Request End Date		
All	~	MM/DD/YYYY	m	MM/DD/YYYY	m	

Figure 118: Payment Requests screen provides various search criteria and Search button to conduct a search

Once the search is complete, the search results show the following information:

Application Number. The application number is listed as the Award Number on the NoA.

Period Covered by Request Start Date. Start date of the Payment Request.

Period Covered by Request End Date. End date of the Payment Request.

Amount. Dollar value requested.

Requested Drawdown Date. Date when the requested amount will be drawn down.

(PD/PI). Name of the Project Director or Principal Investigator assigned to the project.

(GMS/GMO Name). Names of the assigned GMS and GMO.

Last Payment Request Status. Status of the last Payment Request.

Payment Requ	ests									
Project Number Or Applica	ion Number		Av	arding Office/IC						
Enter at least 4 characters of project/application number				hange Selections	97					
Last Payment Request Status				riod Covered by quest Start Date		Period Covered by ଢ Request End Date				
All			•	IM/DD/YYYY	m	MM/DD/YYYY	 			
										Clear Search Form
Search Results										
Search Results	48 Results								<u>*</u>	, 🖽 < 1 of 2 >
Search Results Filter Table Application Number \$		ered By Request Start I	Period Cover Date ≑	ed By Request End	Amount \$	Requested Drawdown Date ≑	PD/PI ≑	GMS/GN	1 0 Name ≑	Last Payment Request Status \$
Filter Table Application Number \$	Period Cove			ed By Request End			PD/PI ≎ Doe, Jane	GMS/GN Elder, Sa Elder, Sa	/O Name ≑ im	Last Payment Request

Figure 119: Search results displays a list of applications associated with a grantee organization and are available for payment request

For projects with no previous payment request, only "Application Number / (PD/PI) / (GMS/GMO Name)" information will be displayed.

Initiating a Payment Request for a DOC Award/Grant

NOTE: Grantees can only submit a new request on the same project if the last payment request is not submitted or it's in "Declined/Authorized in ASAP/Payment Processed /Payment Failed" status.

To initiate a payment request, you must click on three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Application Number in the search results and select the "Create new Payment Request" action.

ED21HDQ0000100-T1-01		09/21/2023	09/21/2023	\$100,000.00 09/27/2023	Doe, Jane	Simpson, Bart Fudd, Elmer	Submitted
NA230ARX000G0002-T1-1		ate New Payment Request			Smith, John	Simpson, Bart Fudd, Elmer	
NA15NMF0000167-T1-01	cie	are new rayment nequest			Smith, John	Simpson, Bart Fudd, Elmer	

Figure 120: Create New Payment Request option is available in action menu.

The "Create New Payment Request" page appears. In this page, you must enter data in the following fields:

Request Draw Down Date. Date the grantee intends to draw down the requested funds.

Requested Amount. Dollar value the grantee is requesting.

Period Covered by Request From /To. Duration of time that the funds will be used.

Total Expenditures to Date. Total awarded funding that has been spent up until the date of the request.

Total Federal Funds Previously Requested. Total of the federal funds that have been requested previously, enter zero if this is the first request.

To add justification, click in the **Justification** text field and type up to 200 characters of text. You can also attach the SF-270/271 form and other attachments (when necessary) by clicking on **+Choose** button in each section.

NOTE: Attachments must be PDF files 6MB or smaller. You can upload up to 10 files per upload field.

Create New Payment Request for NA23OARX0000	G0002-T1-1			×
Required Fields				
Request Drawdown Date • 10/31/2023	Requested Amount * \$ 1000			
Period Covered by Request From • 10/31/2023	To ∗ 01/31/2024 1		Justification • Purchase Equipment	
Total Expenditure to Date * \$ 0	Total Federal Funds Previously Requested + \$ 0			1
SF-270/SF-271 if needed 0		Other attachments (optiona	182 characters remaining	111.
+ Choose		+ Choose		
Files should not exceed 6MB and max files allowed up to 10		Files should not exceed 6MB and	d max files allowed up to 10	
Files can only be in PDF format SF-270.pdf		Files can only be in PDF format		
View Payment Request History				
			Cancel Save Submit to Agen	cy

Figure 121: Grantee must enter required data to submit a Payment Request by clicking 'Submit to Agency' button

To see previous requests (if exists), user needs to click on 'View Payment Request history' link. When all data are inserted and necessary documents are uploaded, user needs to click the **Submit to Agency** button to submit the request.

NOTE: Use the **Save** button to save a request and return to it later. Saved requests will appear in the "Work in Progress" status. When you are ready to complete the request, access the Payment Request details page by clicking on three-dot ellipsis menu next to the Application Number in search results and select the **Edit Payment Request** action.

NA23OARX000G0002-T1-1	10/31/2023 Edit Payment Request	01/31/2024	10/31/2023	Smith, John	Simpson, Bart Fudd, Elmer	Work In Progress
NA15NMF0016G002-T1-1	View Payment Request History			Smith, John	Simpson, Bart Fudd, Elmer	

Figure 122: Edit Payment Request is available in the action menu when Payment Request is in 'work in progress' status

Once submitted, a notification will be sent to the assigned GMS and the GMO and the Payment Request is made available for review in the internal view of the Payment Request feature of FFR. Grantees can track the progress of their request by reviewing the "Last Payment Status" in the search results or viewing the "Payment Request History". To do so, click three-dot ellipsis next to Award Number and select **View Payment Request History**.

Application Number 🗢	Period Covered By Request Start Date ‡	Period Covered By Request End Date \$	Amount \$	Requested Drawdown Date ‡	PD/PI 🌣	GMS/GMO Name	Last Payment Request Status ‡
NA23OARX000G0002-T1 -01	10/31/2023 w Payment Request History	01/31/2024	\$1,000.00	10/31/2023	Smith, John	Simpson, Bart Fudd, Elmer	Submitted
ED15HDQ0000100-T1 -01	u9/21/2023	09/21/2023	\$100,000.00	09/27/2023	Doe, Jane	Simpson, Bart Fudd, Elmer	Submitted

Figure 123: View Payment Request History is available in the action menu

The history shows the following submitted details from the Payment Request:

Event Number. A sequential number applied to each Payment Request that is made on the same project.

Requested Amt. The dollar amount that was requested.

Requested Draw Down Date. The drawdown date that was requested.

Period Covered by Request. The period of time the Payment Request was to cover.

Justification. The text provided in the Justification box of the Payment Request.

Status. The latest status of the Payment Request; if comments have been provided by the agency staff these will be available in this section.

Payment Req	uest History for N	A23OARX000G0002-T1-1			×
		ow submit drawdown request in ASA tion is needed following approval	p		
Filter Table	1 Resul	ts		▲ 🔳 <	1 of 1 >
Event Num ≑	Requested Amt. ≑	Requested Drawdown Date ≑	Period Covered By Request. ≑	Justification ≑	Status ≑
▶ 1	\$1,000.00	10/31/2023	10/31/2023 01/31/2024	Purchase Equipment	Submitted
					Close

Figure 124: Payment Request History displays information for prior requests

Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) Module Overview

eRA Commons is a Web-based system for applicants and institutions to participate in the electronic grant administration process. Commons provides a modular framework and infrastructure that allows National Institutes of Health (NIH) extramural grantee organizations, Operating Divisions (OPDIVs), grantees, and the public to conduct grant-related business with NIH.

The *Financial Conflict of Interest User Guide* details how to manage the Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) reporting process for an Institution. The Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) reporting process allows institutions to report the existence of any identified financial conflicts of interest to the agency as required by the Federal regulation, specifically Title 42 Code of Federal Regulation Part 50 Subpart F for grants and cooperative agreements. The institution's signing official (SO) completes this reporting process unless an FCOI role is delegated to another user (the SO can also assign the FCOI_ASST and FCOI_ View roles to other users). To do this, the SO must log into the eRA Commons and navigate to the FCOI sub-system.

The FCOI module is an online interface within Commons that allows grantees and Federal staff to share information. The module is mandatory for all institutions. An institution's signing official completes this reporting process unless another Commons user is delegated with the proper authority to access the module.

The FCOI module in Commons allows institutional users to:

- Initiate and prepare FCOI reports
- Electronically submit reports and supporting documents as well as annual FCOI reports
- Receive notification via email upon the submission and receipt of an FCOI
- Search and view FCOI reports previously submitted through the Commons
- Revise an Initial 2011 FCOI Report to update FCOI data following completion of the Retrospective Review or to submit a Mitigation Report when bias is found following the completion of a Retrospective Review.
- Access history of actions
- Assign FCOI access to other Commons users

Additional information on the reporting requirements can be found within the *Fre-quently Asked Questions* on the Office of Extramural Research's Financial Conflict of Interest website at <u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/coi/index.htm</u>.

For more information on the FCOI module, refer to the FCOI topic of the Commons Online Help System (<u>https://www.era.nih.gov/erahelp/commons/</u>) or the *Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) External User Guide* (<u>https://www.era.nih.gov/files/fcoi_user_</u> <u>guide.pdf</u>).

Internet Assisted Review (IAR)

Internet Assisted Review (IAR) is an eRA module used in tandem with the Peer Review module to help expedite the scientific review of grant applications by providing a standard process for Reviewers to submit their critiques, preliminary scores, and final scores and to view grant applications and related meeting materials via Commons. IAR also has the ability to enable reviewers to view the critiques of others before the actual meeting (unless conflicts of interest exist). As a result, review meetings can contain more informed discussions.

If you hold the IAR role - and you are enabled for review meeting(s) - you can access the features included in the module.

IAR has its own online help system for reviewers. If you hold an IAR role, you can access the IAR online help system for reviewers by selecting any of the question mark (?) help icons on the screens within the module or access it directly via this link: <u>http://www.era.ni-h.gov/erahelp/IAR_Rev</u>.

Institution Profile Module (IPF)

Institutions must be registered in Commons to use its features. The Institution Profile (IPF) module is a central repository of information for all Commons registered organizations. It is designed so that each organization establishes and maintains the profile data concerning their institution. The IPF module lets the institutional SO electronically maintain external organization profile information necessary for all grant applications from their institution and upload an institutional financial conflict of interest policy.

Following the creation of an Institutional account in eRA Commons, the IPF is populated with the organizational information from registration and assigned a unique IPF number. The IPF number is an official code that uniquely identifies and associates institutional information within the NIH enterprise database.

The Institution Profile consists of three main tabs:

Institution Basic Information

Institutional Assurances and Certifications

Policy Documents (SO only)

The tabs include information such as:

- Preferred institution name and contact information
- Name, email, and phone number for the SO(s)
- Unique entity identifier (UEI)
- Institutional Assurances
- Email addresses for electronic distribution of NoA and other communications notifications
- Financial conflict of interest policy (SO only)

IMPORTANT: Access to the Institution Profile is limited by role. Not every Commons user has access to the Institution Profile, and only users with the SO role can edit it. Only SOs see the Policy Documents tab, which contains the Institutional financial conflict of interest policy.

Navigating the Institution Profile

If you have one of the following Commons roles, you have access to the *Institution Profile*: AA, AO, ASST, BO, FSR, PI, POSTDOC, SCIENTIST, SPONSOR, or SO.

Select Institution Profile from the Main menu, as shown below.

III (CRA	
Home	
Admin	
Institution Profile	e
Personal Profile	

Figure 125: The Institution Profile option in the main menu

This takes you to the Institution Profile landing page, where you can navigate using the top navigation, shown below:

Institution Profile Basic Information Assurances and Certifications Policy Documents
Institution Profile
The Institution Profile area of Commons enables users to view and update institution information according to their privileges.

Figure 126: Institution Profile main navigation

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and edit Institution Profile screens.

The Institution Profile consists of three main screens:

Institution Basic Information

Institutional Assurances and Certifications

Policy Documents (SO only)

The first two screens are viewable for all who have access to the *Institution Profile* and editable to those with a signing official (SO) role. The Policy Documents screen is visible only to those with a SO role. Details of each section are discussed in separate topics. See the related topic list at the bottom of this screen for links to other topics.

The dashboard appears on all views of the profile, providing general information about the profile. See *Institution Profile Dashboard*.

What's the Difference Between View and Edit?

While most Commons users are only able to view the information provided in the Institution Profile, SO users have the two options: view mode and edit mode.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and <u>edit Institution Profile screens</u>.

Viewing the Information in the Institution Profile

View mode lets you see the information, while edit mode makes applicable data editable in text boxes (not all data can be edited). To see a section, click its heading name in navigation. To see all sections, click the **Expand All** button.

Editing the Information in the Institution Profile

If you hold the SO role, you can edit all sections of your institution's profile by clicking the **Edit** button at the top of the screen. This expands the sections and displays fields for editing. After updating the information, click the **Save All** button. To discard changes, click the **Discard Changes** button instead.

Institution Basic Informat	ion 😮	
		Expand All
> Institution Name		Ø
Institution Basic Information	on	
	Collapse All	Discard Changes Save All
\checkmark Institution Name		Ø

Figure 127: Institution Profile Edit, Discard Changes, and Save All buttons

Click the **Expand All** and **Collapse All** buttons to toggle between opening and closing all the sections.

NOTE: Closing a sections of the **Basic Information** screen is not the same thing as saving. If you navigate away from the screen without saving, your changes will be lost.

Institution Basic Information

The **Institution Basic Information** page of the *Institution Profile* provides a means for viewing and managing fundamental information about the institution such as name, contact persons, etc. This information is divided into expandable and collapsible sections.

Institution Profile Basic Inf	formation Assurances and Certifications Policy Documents	
Institution Profile for UNIVERSITY OF FORNIA IPF Code: 020202	Institution Basic Information ?	Edit
Basic Information	> Institution Name	0
Assurances & Certifications	> Institution Contact Information	0
Accounts: 7655 Affiliated Accounts	> About the Institution	0
Profile updated: 03/30/2023	> Indirect Cost Negotiations	0
ORI Certification Expires: 04/30/2024	> Signing Officials	Θ
SAM Registration Expires: O1/31/2024 (SAM Registration has Expired)	> Institution Address	0

Figure 128: Institution Basic Information

View the **Institution Basic Information** section by clicking the **Basic Information** navigation item at top of Institutional Profile. To quickly expand all the sections on the page and see all data, click the **Expand All** link at top right of the screen. The link then changes to **Collapse All**, which closes all sections so just the heading appears.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and <u>edit Institution Profile screens</u>.

How Are Data Errors Indicated?

Each section has required fields. If information is missing or data is in the wrong format (for example an email address with no '@' sign), red font and error messages alert you. A general error displays at the top of the screen after you attempt to save, and specific error message appear adjacent to fields with errors.

Error(s) There are errors in the data b corrected.	elow. Changes cannot be saved	until the errors are	×
Institution Basic	c Information?		
	Collapse All	Discard Changes	Save All
> Institution Name			0
✓ Institution Contact Information	mation		0
* Required Field(s)			
Notice of Award Email: *	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this add send all notices wher grant is awarded.	
Announcements and Notifications Email: *	ex: jean.joe@nih.gov The Email Address cannot be blank or empty.	NIH will use this add grant reminders, syst notifications, and oth messages.	em
Closeout Correspondence	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this ema	il

Figure 129: Institution Profile Error Message when a required field is empty

How to View and Edit Information

Expand sections by clicking either on the arrow or section name, outlined below.

Use the **Edit** button to make all sections editable (if your privileges are sufficient)

IMPORTANT: Only those users holding an SO role can edit.

Use the **Expand All** link to expand all sections at once.

Institution Basic Information 😮	
Expand All	Edit
> Institution Name	0
> Institution Contact Information	0

Figure 130: On the Basic Information screen, click the section name to expand it.

Refer to the topics below for information on each section.

NOTE: To the left of the **Institution Basic Information**, you find the Institution Profile dashboard. This dashboard provides quick access information to items such as number of accounts, last updated date, status of required registrations, etc. See *Institution Profile Dashboard*.

Institution Name

The **Institution Name** section of the *Institution Profile* lets you view your organization's **Profile Name** and **Commons Preferred Name**. The profile name is the NIH designated name of the institution. The preferred name is a name specified by the institution for use in Commons.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and <u>edit Institution Profile screens</u>.

Viewing Institution Name

Anyone with access to the Institution Profile can view the information in the **Institution Name** section of the profile by clicking its header title.

The information displays as read-only:

- Profile Name
- Commons Preferred Name (if existing)



Figure 131: Institution Name section in View mode

Editing Institution Name

If you hold the SO role within an organization, you can edit its **Commons Preferred Name** in the Institution Profile. You cannot edit the Profile Name.

Click the **Edit** button at the top of the screen to display the **Commons Preferred Name** field for editing.

When you are done, click the **Save All** button at the top of the screen to save the changes. The **Save All** button saves the changes made in all sections. For information on errors, see *How Are Data Errors Indicated?* on page 247

If you do not wish to save your changes, click the **Discard Changes** button instead.

Remember: Hiding a section is not the same as saving the section!

Institution Contact Information

The **Institution Contact Information** section of the *Institution Profile* lets you view your organization's contact information, such as name, phone number, and email address.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and edit Institution Profile screens.

Viewing Institution Contact Information

You can view the information in the **Institution Contact Information** section of the profile by clicking its header title.

The information displays as read-only:

- Notice of Award Email
- Announcements and Notifications Email
- Closeout Correspondence Email
- Contact Name
- Contact Phone
- Contact Email

nstitution Basic Info	ormation 😮	
		Collapse All Edit
> Institution Name		0
\checkmark Institution Contact Information		0
Notice of Award Email:	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this address to send all notices when a grant is awarded.
Announcements and Notifications Email:	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this address for grant reminders, system notifications, and other messages.
Closeout Correspondence Email:	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this email address to send any Closeout related communications.
Financial Conflict of Interest Correspondence Email:	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this email address to send any FCOI related communications.
Contact Name:	Paela F. Mimer	NIH will use this name as the primary contact for this institution.
Contact Phone:	(555) 555-2925	
Contact Email:	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	

Figure 132: Institution Contact Information section in View Mode

Editing Institution Contact Information

If you hold the SO role within an organization, you can edit the information in the **Insti-tution Contact Information** section of the Institution Profile.

Click the **Edit** button on the **Institution Contact Information** header to display all editable fields available in this section. The following fields are available for editing and are required fields:

✓ Institution Contact Information		
* Required Field(s)		
Notice of Award Email: *	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this address to send al notices when a grant is awarded.
Announcements and Notifications Email: *	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this address for grant reminders, system notifications, and other messages.
Closeout Correspondence Email: *	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this email address to send any Closeout related communications.
Financial Conflict of Interest	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	NIH will use this email address to
Correspondence Email: *		send any FCOI related communications.
Contact Name: *	Paela F. Mimer	NIH will use this name as the primary contact for this institution.
Contact Phone: *	(555) 555-2925	
Contact Email: *	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	

Figure 133: Institution Contact Information Component of IPF in Edit Mode

• Notice of Award Email

NIH uses this email address to send all notices of award for a grant.

Announcements & Notifications Email

NIH uses this email address to send grant reminders, system notifications, and other types of general correspondence.

Closeout Correspondence Email

NIH uses this email address to send any Closeout related communications.

Contact Name

NIH considers the person named here as the primary contact for this institution.

Contact Phone

Enter the phone number for the contact person listed in Contact Name.

• Contact Email

Enter the email number for the contact person listed in Contact Name.

When you are done, click the **Save All** button at the top of the screen to save the changes. The **Save All** button saves the changes made in all sections. For information on errors, see *How Are Data Errors Indicated?* on page 247

If you do not wish to save your changes, click the **Discard Changes** button instead.

Remember: Hiding a section is not the same as saving the section!

About the Institution

The **About the Institution** section of the *Institution Profile* lets you view information about your organization, such as unique entity identifiers (UEI), older DUNS numbers, and assurance numbers. If you hold the SO role within your organization, you can also edit some of this information.

For information about eligibility to apply for different opportunity types, see *Opportunity Type Eligibility* on page 256.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and <u>edit Institution Profile screens</u>.

Viewing About the Institution Information

You can view the information in the **About the Institution** section of the profile by:

- Clicking the **About the Institution** header
- Clicking the + View button for About the Institution

The information displays as read-only:

- Primary UEI/DUNS
- Secondary UEI/DUNS

- **Opportunity Type Eligibility**
- Federal-Wide Assurance Numbers
- Animal Welfare Assurance Number
- Organization Type
- Ownership Control
- Primary/Secondary DUNS for your organization prior to April 2022

nstitution Profile Basic Inf	ormation Assurances and Certific	cations Policy Documents	
Institution Profile for UNIVERSITY OF FORNIA IPF Code: 020202	Institution Basic	c Information 😮	Edi
	> Institution Name		0
 Basic Information Assurances & Certifications 	> Institution Contact Inform	nation	0
Accounts:	\checkmark About the Institution		8
7655 Affiliated Accounts Profile updated:	Primary UEI/DUNS:	2N62N62N62N6/ 121212125	
03/30/2023 ORI Certification Expires: 04/30/2024	Secondary UEI/DUNS: Opportunity Type Eligibility:	 Your organization is eligible to apply for NIH Grants/Contracts 	
SAM Registration Expires: O1/31/2024		 Information Your organization is eligible to apply for Non-NIH Grants/Contracts 	
(SAM Registration has Expired)		 Your organization is eligible to apply for NIH other transaction authority (OTA) opportunities 	
	Federal-Wide Assurance Numbers:	FWA00006252	
	Animal Welfare Assurance Number:	Animal Subject Assurance Assurance Documen Number	t
		A3404-01 A3539-01 D16-00050 (A3084-01)	
	Organization Type:	Institution of higher education	
	Ownership Control:	State Government	
	Primary/Secondary DU	JNS for your organization prior to April 20	22 💡
	Primary DUNS/UEI:	121212125 / 2N62N62N62N6	

Figure 134: About the Institution of Institution Profile in View Mode

Editing About the Institution

If you hold the SO role within an organization, you can edit some of the fields in **About the Institution** of the Institution Profile.

\checkmark About the Institution		0
Primary UEI/DUNS:	2N62N62N62N6/ 121212125	
Secondary UEI/DUNS:	Add	
Opportunity Type Eligibility:	 Your organization is eligible to a Information Your organization is eligible to a 	apply for NIH Grants/Contracts apply for Non-NIH Grants/Contracts
	 Your organization is eligible to a (OTA) opportunities 	apply for NIH other transaction authority
Federal-Wide Assurance Numbers:	FWA00006252	Remove
	Add	
Animal Welfare Assurance Number:	Animal Subject Assurance Number	Assurance Document
	A3404-01 A3539-01 D16-00050 (A3084-01)	
Organization Type:	Institution of higher education	
Ownership Control:	State Government	
Primary/Secondary DUNS for	r your organization prior to	April 2022 💡
Primary DUNS/UEI:	121212125 / 2N62N62N62N6	

Figure 135: About the Institution in Edit Mode

Click the **Edit** button at the top of the screen to make fields editable.

NOTE: Many fields are read-only, even in Edit mode, as they are populated with organizational information on file. The **Primary UEI/DUNS** field reflects the primary UEI provided during the original institution registration. This number is not editable through Commons. To make changes to the primary UEI/DUNS, please contact the <u>eRA Service</u> <u>Desk</u> for assistance.

The following fields are available for editing, but are not required:

Secondary UEI/DUNS

The **Secondary UEI/DUNS** field allows SOs to edit, add, and remove additional UEIs for the institution as necessary.

 To add a secondary UEI number to the profile, click the Add button to display a text field. Enter the required 12 character UEI value. Until you save the profile, the space after the slash (/) displays as "No DUNS associated with this UEI". After saving the profile, if a DUNS is already associated with the entered UEI, the associated DUNS will appear after the slash.

\checkmark About the Institution	0
Primary UEI/DUNS:	2N62N62N62N6/ 121212125
Secondary UEI/DUNS:	Remove
	/ No DUNS associated with this UEI
	Add
Opportunity Type Eligibility:	Vour organization is eligible to apply for NIH Grants/Contracts
	Information
	Your organization is eligible to apply for Non-NIH Grants/Contracts
	 Your organization is eligible to apply for NIH other transaction authority (OTA) opportunities
Federal-Wide Assurance Numbers:	FWA00006252 Remove
	Add

Figure 136: Secondary UEI/DUNS Text Field Displays when Add Button is Clicked

- To edit a secondary UEI, simply update the value in the editable text field. You cannot edit the UEI's corresponding DUNS number.
- To remove a secondary UEI/DUNS value, click its **Remove** button and then click **Remove** in the confirmation popup to complete the deletion.

Opportunity Type Eligibility

There are three opportunity types, and the institution is eligible for those types that have a marked checkbox. At least one of these types must be selected for the institution to be eligible to submit grant applications. Information links provide additional information. Opportunity types were specified during the institution registration process (see *Registering an Institution* on page 46).

Opportunity Type Eligibility:	Your organization is eligible to apply for NIH Grants/Contracts
	Information
	Your organization is eligible to apply for Non-NIH Grants/Contracts
	Your organization is eligible to apply for NIH other transaction authority
	(OTA) opportunities

Opportunity types that were set during institution registration have their checkbox marked and **these are not editable even when you click the Edit button** (they cannot be unchecked). However, if your institution wants to expand the types of opportunities that it can submit applications for, you can mark the unchecked opportunity types to add these to the list of types of opportunities your institution can apply for. However, once you mark an additional opportunity type checkbox and save, you cannot ever unmark the checkbox.

The three types are:

- NIH Grants/Contracts This is the most common type of registration and is required for any application that will be funded by NIH.
- Non-NIH Grants/Contracts This type of registration will let you submit applications for other agencies that use NIH eRA systems (such as SAMHSA).
- Other Transaction Authority (OTA) opportunities This type of opportunity is for a type of funding that is neither grants nor contracts and is being used across NIH.

Federal-Wide Assurance Numbers

The Federal-Wide Assurance is the only type of new assurance of compliance accepted and approved by the Office of Human Research Protections (OHRP) for institutions engaged in non-exempt human subjects research conducted or supported by HHS.

The **Federal-Wide Assurance Numbers** field allows SOs to edit, add, and remove numbers for the institution as necessary.

• To add a Federal-Wide Assurance number to the profile, click the **Add** button to display an editable text field. Enter the Federal-Wide Assurance number into this field, then click the Save All button at the top of the screen.

Federal-Wide Assurance Numbers:	FWA00006252	Remove
		Remove
	Add	

Figure 137: Federal-Wide Assurance Number Text Field Displays when Add Button is Clicked

- To edit a Federal-Wide Assurance number, simply update the value in the editable text field.
- To remove a Federal-Wide Assurance number, click its **Remove** button and then click **Remove** in the confirmation popup to complete the deletion.

Animal Welfare Assurance Number

The Animal Welfare Assurance is a document an institution and all performance sites involving animal research must have on file with the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW) before being awarded a grant or contract.

The **Animal Welfare Assurance Number** field displays the number that OLAW has on file. If existing, a number in parentheses represents the old format number that corresponds to the new format number. This field is not editable.

Primary/Secondary DUNS for your organization prior to April 2022 / Primary DUNS/UEI

This field is the DUN that had been on file for your organization prior to April 2022. If there is a UEI that corresponds to that DUNS, it is shown also, after the DUNS. The DUNS is the first number, which is 9 characters long, and the UEI is second and is 12 characters long. If the UEI space is blank, then no UEI exists that corresponds to the DUNS shown.

In April 2022 the federal government switched over to unique entity identifiers (UEI); see <u>Unique Entity Identifier Update</u> on the GSA website for more information.

When you are done, click the **Save All** button at the top of the screen to save the changes. The **Save All** button saves the changes made in all sections. For information on errors, see *How Are Data Errors Indicated?* on page 247

If you do not wish to save your changes, click the **Discard Changes** button instead.

Remember: Hiding a section is not the same as saving the section!

Indirect Cost Negotiations

The **indirect Cost Negotiations** section of the *Institution Profile* lets you view your organization's Negotiator and Last Negotiation Date.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and <u>edit Institution Profile screens</u>.

Viewing Indirect Cost Negotiations

You can view the information in the **Indirect Cost Negotiations** section of the profile by clicking its header title.

The information displays as read-only:

- Negotiator Name
- Last Negotiation Date

✓ Indirect Cost Negotiatio	ns	0
Negotiator Name:		The name of the agent who negotiated the most recent indirect cost agreement, and the date of that negotiation.
Last Negotiation Date:	May 10, 2013	

Figure 138: Indirect Cost Negotiations section in View mode

Editing Indirect Cost Negotiations

If you hold the SO role within an organization, you can edit the two fields in the **Indirect Cost Negotiations** section of the Institution Profile.

Click the **Edit** at the top of the screen to display all editable fields available in all sections. The following fields are available for editing in *Indirect Cost Negotiations*:

• Negotiator Name

Enter the name of the agent who negotiated the most recent indirect cost agreement.

• Last Negotiation Date

Enter the date of the most recent indirect cost agreement negotiation (format must be MM/DD/YYYY).

When you are done, click the **Save All** button at the top of the screen to save the changes. The **Save All** button saves the changes made in all sections. For information on errors, see *How Are Data Errors Indicated?* on page 247

If you do not wish to save your changes, click the **Discard Changes** button instead.

Remember: Hiding a section is not the same as saving the section!

Signing Officials

You can find all signing official (SO) users in your institution. You might need to find a signing official for various reasons, because only signing officials can submit most documentation and reports. Signing officials (along with administrative officials--AOs-- and account administrators--AAs) can also manage and create new eRA Commons accounts. See *Signing Official (SO)* on page 129 for more information on signing officials.

Use the *Signing Official* screen in the Institution Profile module to see a listing of signing officials and their phone numbers if available.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and edit Institution Profile screens.

To see Signing Officials for your organization:

- Navigate to the Institution Profile module; see *Navigating the Institution Profile* on page 244.
- On the *Basic Information* screen, expand the Signing Officials section.

The information for each person displays as read-only.

- Name
- Phone Number
- Email Address

∨ <u>s</u>	igning Officials		
	Name	Phone	Email
1	Branma Argo (SO)	phone unknown	eRATest@mail.nih.gov
2	Joson Ay-Yu (SO)	555-555-4458	eRATest@mail.nih.gov
3	Jywin Bwin (SO)	555558109	eRATest@mail.nih.gov
4	Corsad Bada (SO)	555-555-2783	eRATest@mail.nih.gov

Figure 139: Signing Official Pane of Institution Profile

Institution Address

The **Institution Address** section of the *Institution Profile* lets you view address information for your organization including phone and fax numbers.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and <u>edit Institution Profile screens</u>.

Viewing Institution Address

You can view the information in the **Institution Address** section of the profile by clicking its header title.

The information displays as read-only:

- Address
- Phone
- Fax

✓ Institution Address		0
Address:	UNIVERSITY OF FORNIA	
	0808 Fourth Street	
	Suiterth	
	CALIFORNIA	
	947101749	
	UNITED STATES	
Phone:	(555) 555-0120	
Fax:	(555) 555-8236	

Figure 140: Institution Address section in View mode

Editing Institution Address

If you hold the SO role within an organization, you can edit the fields in the **Institution Address** section of the Institution Profile.

Click the **Edit** button at the top of the screen to display all editable fields available in all sections. The following fields are available for editing in the *Institution Address* section:

• Street Address (required)

Enter the street address for the organization.

• **City** (required)

Enter the city for the address.

• **Country** (required)

Select a country value from the drop-down box.

• **State/Province** (required)

Select a country value from the drop-down box.

• **Zip/Postal Code** (required)

Enter the zip code for the address.

• **Phone** (required)

Enter the phone number associated with the address above.

• Fax (optional)

Enter the fax number associated with the address above.

When you are done, click the **Save All** button at the top of the screen to save the changes. The **Save All** button saves the changes made in all sections. For information on errors, see *How Are Data Errors Indicated?* on page 247

If you do not wish to save your changes, click the **Discard Changes** button instead.

Remember: Hiding a section is not the same as saving the section!

Institutional Assurances and Certifications

The **Institutional Assurances and Certifications** screen of the *Institution Profile* contains information about assurances and certifications that the institution possesses (such as, Human Subjects Assurance Number, Institutional Review Board [IRB] Approval Date, IRB Type, Animal Welfare Assurance Number, and Institutional Animal Care & Use Committee [IACUC] Unacknowledged Certification Explanation). The screen lets users view and manage these assurances and certifications.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and <u>edit Institution Profile screens</u>.

Assurances & Certifications This certification expires on: 04/30/2024 Accounts: Assurances and Certifications 7655 Affiliated Accounts This institution complies with all laws, policies and regulation prohibiting discrimination based on: 09/30/2023 09/25/2003 Age Discrimination Assurance 04/30/2024 09/25/2003 Civil Rights Assurance SAM Registration Expires: 09/25/2003 Civil Rights Assurance 01/31/2024 09/25/2003 Handicapped Individuals Assurance (SAM Registration has Explanation: eRATest@mail.nih.gov 09/25/2003 Inclusion of Children Policy Explanation: eRATest@mail.nih.gov 09/25/2003 09/25/2003 Sex Discrimination Assurance Explanation: eRATest@mail.nih.gov 09/25/2003 09/25/2003 Sex Discrimination Assurance Explanation: eRATest@mail.nih.gov 09/25/2003 09/25/2003 Women and Minority Inclusion Policy Explanation: eRATest@mail.nih.gov 09/25/2003 09/25/2003 Conflict of Interest Assurance Explanation: eRATest@mail.nih.gov 09/25/2003 09/25/2003 Conflict of Interest Assurance Explanation: eRATest@mail.nih.gov	ions?	
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Figure 141: Institutional Assurances and Certifications in View Mode

Click the **Assurances & Certifications** link in the top navigation of Institution Profile. For all users, the information is initially read-only; however, if you are a signing official (SO), you have the ability to edit.

There are two main sections of the screen, which are described below: **Status** and **Assurances and Certifications**.

Status

The **Status** section of the screen displays the Office of Research and Integrity Certification Status for the institution. The values for this field are either *Assurance OK* or *Expired*. The expired status will display in red text as a warning.

The expiration date of the certification displays below the status, in red text if already expired.

Assurances and Certifications

The **Assurances and Certification** section provides a means for institutions to indicate (or view the indication of) compliance with particular laws, policies, and/or regulations as well as to indicate that it meets certain research requirements.

The list is available for viewing by anyone who has access to the Institution Profile. Readonly check marks display next to each assurance or certification in the list along with the date on which the institution indicated compliance.

Policy: Not all assurances and certifications may be applicable to each institution.

For detailed information about assurances:

- 1. Access the current Grants Policy Statement here (HTML or PDF): https://grants.nih.gov/policy/nihgps/index.htm
- Once you are in the statement, search for "PUBLIC POLICY REQUIREMENTS" or even the name of a particular assurance, such as "smoke-free workplace" or "civil rights".

Editing the Assurances and Certifications

If you are an SO, you can edit the assurance and certifications in the Institution Profile.

To edit, click the **Edit Assurances and Certifications** button at the top of the screen.



Figure 142: Edit Assurances and Certifications Button

Check or uncheck the certification and/or assurance indicator(s) as appropriate. A checkmark means your organization complies with the assurance/certification. You can also click the **(explain your answer)** link to access a text box in which you can provide additional information.

When you are done, click the **Save All** button at the top of the profile to save the changes. If you do not wish to save your changes, click the **Discard Changes** button instead.

Institutional Assurances and Certifications?	
Discard Changes Save A	"
Status	
The Office of Research and Integrity Certification Status is: Assurance OK	
This certification expires on: 04/30/2024	
Assurances and Certifications	
This institution complies with all laws, policies and regulations prohibiting discrimination based on:	
09/25/2003 Age Discrimination Assurance (explain your answer) Explanation: eRATest@mail.nih.gov	
09/25/2003 🗹 Civil Rights Assurance (explain your answer)	
On file (2000 characters maximum, any additional characters will be truncated)	

Figure 143: Editing Institutional Assurances and Certifications

List of Assurances/Certifications

The assurances and certifications display over several categories.

This institution complies with all laws, policies and regulations prohibiting discrimination based on:

- Age Discrimination Assurance
- Civil Rights Assurance
- Handicapped Individuals Assurance
- Inclusion of Children Policy
- Sex Discrimination Assurance
- Women and Minority Inclusion Policy

This institution complies with all laws and regulations regarding:

- ClinicalTrials.gov Requirement
- Conflict of Interest Assurance
- Delinquent Debt Assurance
- Drugfree Workplace Assurance
- Impact of Grant Activities on the Environment and Historic Properties
- Institutional Debarment Assurance
- Lobbying Assurance
- Smoke-Free Workplace

Research at this institution meets all requirements for:

- Graduate Student Training for Doctoral Degrees (D43, TU2, T15, T32, T37, T90, U2R, U90, and U54/TL1 only)
- Human Subjects
- PI Assurance
- Prohibited Research
- Recombinant DNA and Human Gene Transfer
- Research Misconduct
- Research With Human Embryonic Stem Cells
- Select Agent Research
- Transplantation of Human Fetal Tissue
- Vertebrate Animals

Institutional Financial Conflict of Interest Policy

The *Policy Documents* screen of the Institution Profile module lets you upload your institution's Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) policy. Effective November 12, 2020, each institution must upload its FCOI policy to eRA Commons for review. The institutional FCOI is required and defined by regulations, which are linked on the *Policy Documents* tab in the Institution Profile module.

The policy must be in PDF format under 6 MB in size. After uploading, NIH staff will review the policy and reject or accept it, and will notify you via one of your listed contact methods. For more information, refer to the <u>Guide Notice NOT-OD-21-002</u> as well as the table of regulatory requirements on the Policy Documents tab.

IMPORTANT: Only signing official (SO) users can see the <u>Policy Documents screen</u> and <u>edit Institution Profile screens</u>.

Accessing the Financial Conflict of Interest Policy Screen

Log into eRA Commons as a signing official (SO), <u>go to the *Institution Profile*</u>, and then click *Policy Documents* in top navigation. The Financial Conflict of Interest Policy screen appears.

Institution Profile	Basic Information	Assurances and Certifications	Policy Do
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Financial Conflict of Interest Policy?

Upload a PDF copy of the institution's financial conflict of interest (FCOI) policy in the IPF Module under the "Policy Documents" tab. The institution's FCOI policy must be compliant with the regulatory requirements provided in the FCOI regulation at 42 CFR Part 50, Subpart F, Promoting Objectivity in Research, applicable to Public Health Service (e.g., NIH) grants and cooperative agreements. The FCOI policy must be posted on a publicly accessible web site as required by the NIH Grants Policy Statement, Section 4.1.10.

NIH encourages institutions to review the Policy Development Checklist posted on the NIH Office of Extramural Research, FCOI, web page at https://grants.nih.gov/grants/policy/coi/Checklist-for-Policy-Development-For-Posting-4-23-2020.pdf to determine if the institution's policy complies with the regulatory requirements. The following table provides a summary of requirements and the regulatory citations for your reference:

REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS		REGULATORY CITATION OR NIH GPS	
Training require	ements		42 CFR 50.604(b)
Disclosure, Review, Manage and Monitor Requirements		42 CFR 50.603 42 CFR 50.604(e)(1)-(3) 42 CFR 50.604(f) 42 CFR 50.604 (g) 42 CFR 50.605(a)(1)-(6)	
Reporting Requirements to NIH		42 CFR 50.604(h) 42 CFR 50.605(b) 42 CFR 50.605(a)(3)(iii) 42 CFR 50.606(a)	
Enforcement M	lechanisms and Remedies and No	ncompliance	42 CFR 50.604(j)
Retrospective R	Review Requirements		42 CFR 50.605(a)(3)
Subrecipient Requirements		42 CFR 50.604(c) and NIH GPS 15.2.1	
Public Accessibility Requirements for FCOIs identified for Senior/Key Personnel		42 CFR 50.605(a)(5)(i)-(iv)	
Maintenance of Records		42 CFR 50.604(i)	
Clinical Research		42 CFR 50.606(c)	
COI Policy	/ Submission	Drop files here to upload,	or browse
~	Max File Co	unt: 1 Accepted File Types: P	
Prior FCOI	Policy Submissions		
Policy ID	Submitted Date	Submitted By	Status
376	11/25/2020	Helisha, Ala	Certification Verified
1166	11/30/2020	Helisha, Ala	Certification Verified

Figure 144: Policy Documents tab of Institution Profile, where you can upload the institute's FCOI policy and view prior policies that were submitted

To upload your FCOI policy to eRA Commons for agency approval:

 On the *Policy Documents* tab of the Institution Profile module, either drag a file to the 'Drop files here...' area or click the **browse** link (outlined below) to find a file on your drive.

FCOI Policy Submission
Drop files here to upload, or browse Max File Count: 1 Accepted File Types: PDF Max File size: 6MB
Submit

FCOI Policy Submission area to upload a policy document

The file appears with a trash can icon and a download icon. At this point, you can delete the file by clicking the trash can icon or view it by clicking the download button.

FCOI Policy Submission	
✓ File Uploaded successfully.	
InstitutionalFCOIPolicy.pdf	28.6 KB 💼 🛃
Description: InstitutionalFCOIPolicy.pdf	Upload date: Thu Mar 28 22:49:38 EDT 2024
5	Submit

Uploaded file with a trash can icon and download icon

2. To submit the file that is listed, click the **Submit** button.

A new submission is then added to the *Prior FCOI Policy Submissions* section listing you as the submitter. If you make a mistake, you can simply upload another PDF file and it replaces the first. The file will be routed to agency officials for review.

TIP: If nothing appears to happen when you upload and the words **!Invalid file** appear in the upload area, the file might not meet file requirements listed in the upload area. You can upload only a single file.

To view the FCOI policy that was previously submitted:

On the *Policy Documents* tab of the Institution Profile module, click the **Policy ID** number in the *Prior FCOI Policy Submissions* area.

Prior FCOI Po	olicy Submissions		
Policy ID	Submitted Date	Submitted By	Status
376	11/25/2020	Helisha, Ala	Certification Verified

The PDF opens in your system PDF viewer.

To resubmit an FCOI policy that has been updated:

On the *Policy Documents* tab of the Institution Profile module, simply upload a new file, then click **Submit**. If someone from NIH had contacted you about the policy, notify them of the re-submission.

See:

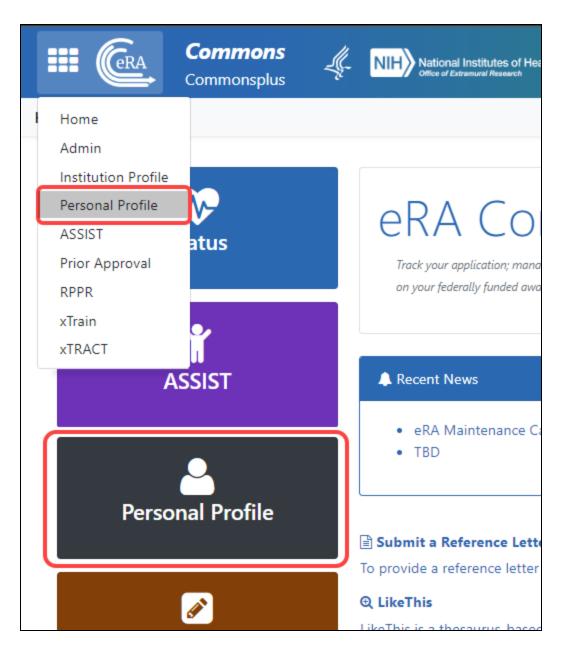
Institution Basic Information on page 246

Personal Profile Module

The Personal Profile module in Commons is the central repository of information for all Commons registered users. It is designed so that individual eRA system users hold and maintain ownership over the accuracy of their own profile information. This profile information is then integrated throughout eRA's systems and used for a variety of agency business such as peer review, application data, and trainee data. You can delegate the authority to maintain your profile to other users within your institution.

Accessing Personal Profile

Access Personal Profile by clicking the Main menu / eRA menu and selecting Personal Profile, or by clicking the Personal Profile button on the eRA Home page. See below.



Editing and Saving Personal Profile Information

To edit Personal Profile, click the **Edit** button above the *Name and ID* section, make changes, then click the **Save All** button. Navigating away from the Personal Profile turns Edit mode off without saving. Also see *What's the Difference Between View and Edit?* on page 245.

	Expand All Edit
> Name and ID	Ø

IMPORTANT: To save any profile changes, you must click the **Save All** button, which is located at the top right of the screen. You can save profile changes ONLY after fixing ALL error items in red/pink that show a red x (⁽²⁾), even those unrelated to your current change. If you save while errors exist, changes are NOT saved and you see an error message.

The personal profile is divided into sections of information and includes:

- Name and ID. Personal information such as name, email, date of birth, citizenship status
- **Demographics.** Race, ethnicity, sex. Trainees are additionally asked about disadvantaged status and federal debt.
- Employment. Current and past employment history
- **Reviewer Information.** (only peer reviewers see this) Work address for those users serving as peer reviewers as well as honorarium information
- **Trainee Information.** (only trainees see this) Trainee permanent address for those with Trainee roles using the xTrain module
- **Education.** Degrees and post-graduate clinical training information
- **Reference Letters.** (principal investigators only) Data about letters of reference submitted to NIH
- **Publications.** (does not appear for all users) Access to MY NCBI, at which publications can be viewed
- **xTRACT Information.** (does not appear for all users) Provides a link to xTRACT module for trainees, participants, or scholars on a training grant, research edu-

cation award, or institutional career development award, where you can update the training institution on subsequent educational activities.

NOTE: Depending on your Commons role, you might not have access to all sections of the Personal Profile.

Prior Approval Module

NIH Policy allows grantees a level of discretion when making changes to budgeting or grant-related activities. However, some changes require written prior approval.

The Prior Approval module lets principal investigators (PIs) and signing officials (SOs) respond to a 500K prior approval invitations from the granting agency or to withdraw from successfully submitted grant application that has not yet been awarded. In addition, SOs can also request a change of the PD/PI on a grant and request No Cost Extensions when the grant meets specific conditions. The SO can create a Carryover request, which is a process through which unobligated funds remaining at the end of the budget period may be carried forward to the next budget period. The Other Request type is limited to SOs who want to make a generic grant change request for FDA grants only.

Signing officials (SO) and program directors/principal investigators (PD/PIs) can access the Prior Approval module by logging into <u>eRA Commons</u> and then clicking *Prior Approval* in eRA Commons navigation.

NOTE: To initiate a \$500K request, contact your program official, who can initiate it for you. (See the <u>500K</u> section for more detail.) **Policy**: <u>See section 2.3.7.2 under "Policies</u> <u>Affecting Applications"</u>

To access the Prior Approval module:

- 1. Log in to eRA Commons; see *Logging into eRA Commons* on page 62.
- 2. Navigate to the **Prior Approval** module.

You see a list of prior requests; see *Viewing and Initiating Requests* on page 277 for PIand SO-specific Prior Approval landing pages, along with tasks available to the PI or SO.

Viewing and Initiating Requests

When you open the Prior Approval module, you see a list of requests that are *in progress*. If they are not yet submitted, you can modify in progress requests. You can also search for grants that are eligible for each request type and initiate a new request. Depending on your role, you can perform different tasks in Prior Approval. Because signing officials (SO) can potentially see dozens or hundreds of grants, they have options for searching and narrowing the results. Principal investigators (PI), who will see fewer grants, can use toggles for quickly narrowing the results with three different criteria.

Initiate a Prior Approval Request

To initiate a Prior Approval Request:

- 1. Log in to eRA Commons; see *Logging into eRA Commons* on page 62.
- 2. Navigate to the Prior Approval module.
- 3. On the Prior Approval landing page, select the type of request from the dropdown at the top of the screen and click the **Go** button.

Prior Approval 😯				
Initiate a Prior App	roval Request			
Select One	✓ Go			

All grants under your jurisdiction that are eligible for the request type you selected are listed. Help topics for each request type lists eligibility criteria; see the topic links at the bottom of this topic.

NOTE: *SO only:* In the list of results, you can narrow the results to find a grant by typing text in the search criteria at the top of the screen and clicking **Search**:

Prior Approval Request Wi The following grants are eligible for withdraw		le Grants 🕜				
Search Grants.gov Tracking #		Search Application ID		Search PI Last Name, First	Name	
				Back to F	Prior Approval	Clear Search Search
746 Result(s)						
Grants.gov Tracking # ≑	Application ID 🖨	Project Title 🌲	Applicat	tion Status 🜲	Pl Name 🌲	eSubmission Status Date 👻
GRANT13535192	1R01HI 166194-01	cardiovascular disease risk in midlife women	Pending	IRG Review	DALL IAN	01/31/2022

4. Click the **Initiate** link for the appropriate grant.

140 Result(s)		
Grant Number 👻		Project Title 🌲
5UG4LM012341-05	Initiate	Regional Medical Library

If the grant selected already has a request already pending in Prior Approval, you see a message, which contains a linked pending request number and option to initiate another request.

Prior Approval Request Change of PD/PI - Available Grants ?
• A Change of PD/PI Request was submitted on 02/23/2022; Request #21998
Would you like to initiate another Change of PD/PI request? Yes No

The request details screen opens for the type of request you initiated. For details on editing a specific type of request, see:

Prior Approval - No Cost Extension on page 286 (SO only)

Prior Approval - Other Request on page 289 (SO only for FDA grants only)

Prior Approval - Withdrawal Request on page 293 (SO or PI)

Prior Approval - Carryover Request on page 295 (SO only)

Prior Approval - Change of PD/PI on a Grant on page 299 (SO only)

Prior Approval - \$500K Request on page 304 (SO or PI)

Prior Approval for Signing Officials

If you are a signing official (SO), you see a list of all requests for your institution on the *Prior Approval* landing page, along with a **Search for Requests** button to narrow the results.

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Request ID 👻	Request Type 🌲	PI Name 🌲	Application ID \Leftrightarrow	Project Title 🌲
21993	Withdrawal	Laursk, Elisa	1R01MH000000-00	Health care transition
21992	Carryover	Gorch, Pam	5U24DA044554-05	NIDA Opportunities
21991	Withdrawal	DALL, JAN	1R01HI 166194-01	cardiovascular disease risk

On the main Prior Approval screen, if you are an **SO**, you can:

- Click the linked **Request ID** for an existing request to view/modify that request.
- Initiate a request; see *Initiate a Prior Approval Request* on page 278
- Use the Grid tool to determine how many rows of in-progress requests are listed per page.
- Search for existing requests; see *Searching for and Modifying Existing Prior Approval Requests* on page 282.

Prior Approval for Program Directors/Principal Investigators

If you are a program director/principal investigator (PD/PI), then on the *Prior Approval* landing page you see a list of all requests made for your own applications/grants or those that have been routed to you.

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	n Progress PI) In Progress SO	Submitted to Ag	ency
		1 result(s)		(1 of 1 •)
Request ID 👻	Request Type 🌻	Prior Approval Status 🜲	Application ID 👙	Project Title 🗢
21994 ••• Modify	Withdrawal	In Progress PI	3P30AG012839-23	Alzheimer's Disease Research

On the main Prior Approval screen, if you are a **PI**, you can:

- Initiate a Withdrawal Request or respond to a 500K invitation (if one exists); see Initiate a Prior Approval Request on page 278. 500K requests appear only under certain conditions; see Prior Approval - \$500K Request on page 304.
- Modify an *in progress* request by clicking the three-dot ellipsis icon and selecting Modify.
- View an *in progress* request that is currently assigned to someone else. For instance, if you worked on a Withdrawal or 500K request and then routed it to the SO, you can still view the request, but you cannot modify it. In this case, you would by click the three-dot ellipsis icon and select **View**.
- Use the Grid tool to determine how many rows of in-progress requests are listed per page.
- Limit the list of in progress requests to only certain statuses by clicking the appropriate toggle: *In Progress SO* (assigned to the SO, either by SO initiation or routing from a PI), *In Progress PI* (assigned to the PI, either by PI initiation or routing from a SO) or *Submitted to Agency*. Submitted requests cannot be changed, but you can view their history or view the PDF of the final information submitted.

Searching for and Modifying Existing Prior Approval Requests

Signing officials (SO), who see all the in progress Prior Approval requests at their institution, have a **Search for Requests** button on the *Prior Approval* landing screen as well as a **Filter Table** field to find records with matching text. An SO can search for, view, and modify in progress requests for the institution to which the SO is affiliated.

A principal investigator (PI), who typically has few in progress requests, can filter using three quick toggles. The PI sees self-initiated requests or requests that have been routed to the PI.

SO: Search for a Request

- 1. On the Prior Approval landing page, click **Search For Requests**.
- 2. Alternatively, you can type text in the **Filter Table** field to show only those records with matching text, and you can click the request ID of any in progress item to

modify it.

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Prior Approval				
Prior Ap	proval 🕜			
Initiate a	Prior Approval Req	uest		
Select O	ne	Go		
In Progress	Approval Requ	uests		Q Search for Requests
Filter Table		59	result(s)	(* 1 of 6 * *
Request ID 👻	Request Type ≑	PI Name 🌲	Application ID ≑	Project Title ≑
21670	No Cost Extension	WASSON, TAM	5R25GM050000- 22	Maximizing Student Development
21471	No Cost Extension	Annaprad, Huma	5U01FD005000- 04	Prospective Study Comparing Biology Interface
21330	Change Of PI	Dayn, Heathe	5T32GM100000- 02	Chemistry Training Program

Figure 145: Prior Approval search results showing 'in progress' requests with Search button and filter field outlined

The "Search Prior Approval Requests" screen opens, where you enter search criteria.

or Appro		Approv	al Reque	ests 👔					
Request	ID			Requ	est Type		Request Status		PI Name (Last Name, First Name)
ex. 123	3456			Se	lect One	~	Select One	~	Last Name, First Name
Grant Nu	umber						Submission Date Rang	e: From	Submission Date Range: To
Туре	Activity	Select IC	 ✓ Serial# 	Year	Suffix		mm/dd/yyyy	#	mm/dd/yyyy
									Back to Prior Approval Clear Search Search

Figure 146: Search Prior Approval Requests screen - criteria for searching

- 1. Specify the following criteria and click **Search**:
 - Request ID
 - Request Type. Lets you narrow your search to just one of the Prior Approval request types.
 - Request Status. Lets you search for *In Progress SO* (assigned to the SO, either by SO initiation or routing from a PI), *In Progress PI* (assigned to the PI, either by PI initiation or routing from a SO) or *Submitted to Agency*. Submitted requests cannot be changed, but you can view their history or view the PDF of the final information submitted.
 - Pl Name. Names of valid, matching Pls begin to appear as you begin typing
 - Each discrete part of the grant number (Activity Code, IC, Serial, etc)
 - Submission Date Range (From: and To:)
- 2. In the results, use the three-dot ellipsis menu on a record to perform actions, such as viewing the PDF or history, or modifying (if not yet submitted). If the request has been routed, you see **View** under the three-dot ellipsis menu, which opens a read-only view of the request's details. Also see *Viewing History of a Request* on page 310.

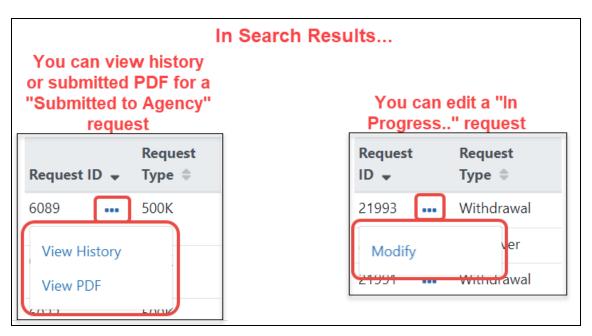


Figure 147: Three-dot ellipsis menu showing actions that can be performed on a 'submitted' and 'in progress' request

If you choose **Modify**, the request details screen opens for the type of request. For details on editing a specific type of request, see:

Prior Approval - No Cost Extension on page 286 (SO only)

Prior Approval - Other Request on page 289 (SO only for FDA grants only)

Prior Approval - Withdrawal Request on page 293 (SO or PI)

Prior Approval - Carryover Request on page 295 (SO only)

Prior Approval - Change of PD/PI on a Grant on page 299 (SO only)

Prior Approval - \$500K Request on page 304 (SO or PI)

PI: Search for a Request

By default, all *in progress* requests initiated by you or routed to you are displayed on the *Prior Approval* landing page. Use the three **View by Status** toggles to show only requests of a certain status. Once you find a request, you can click its three-dot ellipsis icon and select **Modify** to edit it. If the request was initiated by you, but you have routed it to an SO, it is read-only and you can click its three-dot ellipsis icon and select **View**.

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Select One	✓ Go			
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Vi		In Progr 1 result(s)	ress SO 💽	Submitted to Agency
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Prior Approval - No Cost Extension

Most grants allow an automatic No-Cost Extension via the Extension link in the Status module. If the grant is not eligible for the automatic extension via the Status module, you can instead use the Prior Approval module to request an extension, which is contingent on NIH approval.

IMPORTANT: AHRQ Recipients: The Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) does not support the Prior Approval method of requesting an NCE. Recipients of AHRQ awards must use the Status module in eRA Commons to request a no cost extension. The specific terms for an AHRQ NCE are different from an NIH grant. If you are a AHRQ grantee, please see the alternate help topic *No-Cost Extension (NCE) for AHRQ Grants* on page 560 for the requirements and steps to request an NCE.

What Grants are Eligible for No-Cost Extension Requests?

A signing official (SO) can request a No-Cost Extension in the following situations:

- If the Grant has previously had a No Cost Extension and less than 90 days remain before project period End Date.
- The Grant has previously had a No cost Extension and the application is within 270 days after the end of the project period End Date has passed, but the grant has not been closed.
- The Grant does not have Expanded Authority and less than 90 days remain before the project period end date.
- The Grant does not have an expanded authority and the application is within 270 days after the end of the project period end date has passed, but the grant has not been closed.

Users may modify these requests until they are submitted to the agency.

NCEs may not be submitted if they contain errors but they may be submitted with warnings.

NCE request may not be submitted for grants for which the closeout process has begun.

See Viewing and Initiating Requests on page 277 for details on initiating a request.

After initiating a No Cost Extension, you see the following details screen.

Application Information	1			
PD/Pl Name Mill, Evan PD/Pl User ID EWMILL	Walker, Pam eRATest@mail 301-555-4207		Program Official Leeds, Miriam eRATest@mail.nih.gov 301-555-1917	
Grant #: 5R01NS098000-05	Application Title Interrogating Neuronal Dynamics			
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA	Budget Period 01/01/2021 - 12/31/2021		Project Period 01/01/2017 - 12/31/2021	
Request Details				
Request ID: 22001				
Number of Months *	Proposed Budget Period	Proposed Project Period		
Select One 💙	End Date	End Date		
Amount of Unobligated Balance *	Does Pl Maintain Measurable Effort? *	Vertebrate Animals - IACU Approval Date		
	Select One 💙	mm/dd/yyyyf		
Progress Report *				
	🏝 Drop file or browse to	attach 1 PDF file, not ex	ceeding 6MB.	
Budget Document *				
	▲ Drop file or browse to	attach 1 PDF file, not ex	ceeding 6MB.	
Justification Document	*			
	2 Drop file or browse to	attach 1 PDF file, not ex	ceeding 6MB.	
Request History				

- Be sure to fill out all required fields (with a red asterisk). You can drag and drop a PDF file from your file system onto the **Drop file** area, or click **Browse** to locate and select a file.
- 2. To view or remove a file you have uploaded, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **View** or **Delete**. If you upload the wrong file, you must delete it in order to upload another, as only one file is allowed to be uploaded.

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Prior Approval - Other Request

The Other Request type is used in different ways depending on the agency providing the award. Prior Approval "Other Request" can be used for both FDA and NIH awards. The Other Request type appears only for signing officials (SOs) and does not appear for principal investigators (PIs).

For FDA awards, "Other Request" provides a generic request type for signing officials (SO) to make requests for FDA grants. All FDA grants are eligible for the Other Request type.

For NIH awards, "Other Request" is the **required method for for signing officials to submit prior approval requests for changes to an approved Data Management and Sharing (DMS) Plan**. For NIH awards, the "Other Request" type should ONLY be used for revised DMS Plan prior approval requests. See **Special Instructions for DMS Plan Revision Requests..** below.

See *Viewing and Initiating Requests* on page 277 for details on initiating a request. After initiating an Other Request, you see the following details screen:

Prior Approval Reque	st Other Request - Modify Rec	quest 🕜
* Required Fields		
Application Information		
PD/PI Name Jasoick, Keith	Grants Management Specialist Malshi, Shatra eRATest@mail.nih.gov	Program Official Anov, Losi eRATest@mail.nih.gov
PD/PI User ID JSICK	(240) 555-7592	
Grant #: 5R01FD006000-03	Application Title Investigation of DNA	
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA	Budget Period 08/01/2021 - 07/31/2022	Project Period 09/10/2019 - 07/31/2022
Request Details		
Request ID: 21981 Description *		
Total remaining allowed limit is 160 characters. Effective Date *		
mm/dd/yyyy		
Justification Document *		
🛓 Drop) file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exc	eeding 6MB.
Budget Document		
🕹 Drop	o file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exc	eeding 6MB.
Other Supporting Documen	ts	
≛ Drop file	e or browse to attach 5 total PDF files, not	exceeding 6MB.
• Request History		
	← Ca	ancel 📋 Delete 📳 Save 🛛 🖈 Submit

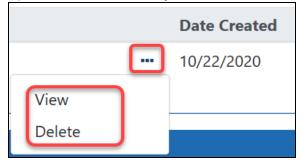
What Awards are Eligible for Other Requests?

- Must be an FDA or NIH award
- Must be awarded
- Must be within the current budget period
- Grant must not be closed or terminated.

The Other Request can be initiated for any application type matching the above criteria.

General Instructions for Other Request Type

- 1. Fill out all required fields (which have a red asterisk). You can drag and drop a PDF file from your file system onto the **Drop file** area, or click **Browse** to locate and select a file.
- 2. To view or remove a file you have uploaded, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **View** or **Delete**. If you upload the wrong file, you must delete it in order to upload another, as only one file is allowed to be uploaded.



All uploaded documents must be in PDF format.

Special Instructions for DMS Plan Revision Requests for NIH Awards

Signing officials requesting DMS Plan changes for NIH awards should fill out the form and submit documents related to the change as described below:

Description. Enter "DMS Plan Revision" (without quotations).

Effective Date. Enter the effective date of the requested changes.

Justification Document. Provide the rationale and justification for the requested changes.

Budget Document. Provide if the revised DMS Plan impacts the budget. Include information for current and future budget periods. Note: This is not a supplement request.

Other Supporting Documents. Attach the revised DMS Plan.

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Prior Approval - Withdrawal Request

NOTE: Both PIs and SOs may initiate Withdrawal Requests but only an SO can submit them.

This type of request lets you withdraw a grant from NIH.

What Applications are Eligible for Withdrawal Request?

- A PI sees applications on which the PI is listed as the contact PI that matches the following criteria.
- An SO sees all applications for an institution that matches the following criteria.
- Applications that have gone through council review and have any with the following statuses will not display as eligible to be withdrawn.
 - Awarded
 - Withdrawn
 - Canceled

There are times that the agency may be taking action on the application that will prevent users from withdrawing their application through Prior Approval. In these cases, Prior Approval displays the following error: There is a pending agency action on Application, please submit your withdrawal request to Division of Receipt and Referral. See *Viewing and Initiating Requests* on page 277 for details on initiating a request. After initiating a Withdrawal request, you see the following details screen.

Request Details		
Request ID 22003		
Principal Investigator (PI) Galard, Licha	Grants.gov Tracking GRANT00700000	Application ID 3R01DK128787-01
Project Title Inflammatory skin		
Justification *		
Total remaining allowed limit is	4000 characters	
Total remaining allowed limit is	4000 characters.	
Supporting Documents		
🏝 Drop file or b	prowse to attach total 10 PDF file	es, not exceeding 6MB.

- Be sure to fill out all required fields (with a red asterisk). You can drag and drop a PDF file from your file system onto the **Drop file** area, or click **Browse** to locate and select a file.
- 2. To view or remove a file you have uploaded, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **View** or **Delete**. If you upload the wrong file, you must delete it in order to

upload another, as only one file is allowed to be uploaded.

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Prior Approval - Carryover Request

You must hold an SO role to initiate a carryover request. Carryover is a process through which unobligated funds remaining at the end of the budget period can be carried forward to the next budget period. The carryover of funds allows the Grantees to use the unused prior year funds in the current budget period. Grantees are allowed to carryover funds automatically if they have the expanded authority for their application. For all others, Grantees need to submit a carryover request to their respective Grants Management Specialists and Program Officials, who will review their request.

What Grants are Eligible for Carryover Requests?

To be eligible for a Carryover request through the *Prior Approval* module, the grant must have the following conditions:

- The grant is still active, meaning the project period has not ended, or a Prior Approval NCE request has been submitted by the institution requesting additional time and the grant has not gone into closeout or unilateral closeout.
- The grant does not have Expanded authority (Expanded authority is based on the activity code of the application, or is set by the IC in GM Module).

- The request date is within the current budget period date.
- The grant is not for a Fellowship application.

When you submit a carryover request, the Prior Approval module displays a warning message if:

• There are any Prior year outstanding FFRs (Federal Financial Reports) that need to be submitted.

Or

• Any prior year FFR has been submitted and rejected by the agency and the grantee has resubmitted the FFR.

No Cost Extension and Carryover Combination

If the grant is eligible for a *No Cost Extension* when the *Carryover* request is initiated, the system will provide the ability to initiate a *No Cost Extension*. A *No Cost Extension* request can be initiated if either of the following conditions are satisfied:

• If Project period end date is with 90 days.

Or

• The Project Period End Date has passed, and the grant is not in closeout or unilateral closeout.

See Viewing and Initiating Requests on page 277 for details on initiating a request.

After initiating a No Cost Extension, you see the following details screen.

Application Informat	ion	
PD/PI Name Mill, Brasi PD/PI User ID	Grants Management Specialist Mesile, Marie eRATest@mail.nih.gov (301) 555-8016	Program Official Kan, Ahsan eRATest@mail.nih.gov (301) 555-0064
MILLER Grant #: 5R35HL100000-06	Application Title AP therapy	
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORN	Budget Period IA 02/01/2022 - 01/31/2023	Project Period 02/01/2017 - 01/31/2024
Request Details		
Request ID: 22002		
Amount of Funds to be Carried Over * Explanation of Unob	ligated Balance *	
土 D	rop file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exc	ceeding 6MB.
Detailed Budget *		
土 D	rop file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exc	ceeding 6MB.
Scientific Justificatio	n *	
1 D	rop file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exc	ceeding 6MB.

Sometimes the Carryover Request contains IC-specific document requests, such as Consortium Budget, Budget Justification, Expenditure Plan, Checklist Page, and so on.

Consortium Budget
▲ Origi file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exceeding BMB.
Budget Justification *
▲ Orup file or browse to attach 1 POF file, not exceeding BML.
Expenditure Plan *
Han for expenditure, including a description of activities to be carried out during the carryover period, and how the activities relate to the arms of the project.
▲ Orog file or browse to attach 1 POF file, not exceeding BML
Checklist Page *
Oreddist page reflecting the request F&A costs for the prime grantee and any subcortracts
▲ Orog file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exceeding BML.

- Be sure to fill out all required fields (with a red asterisk). You can drag and drop a PDF file from your file system onto the **Drop file** area, or click **Browse** to locate and select a file.
- 2. To view or remove a file you have uploaded, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **View** or **Delete**. If you upload the wrong file, you must delete it in order to upload another, as only one file is allowed to be uploaded.

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NOTES:

- • **Request ID** The Request ID is system-generated.
 - Amount of Funds to be Carried Over You must enter the amount of funds to carryover. This field only accepts numbers and period with values up to two decimals.

- **Explanation of Unobligated Balance** Upload a single PDF document in this section detailing why funds were not spent.
- **Detailed Budget** Upload single a PDF document in this section with a budget that incorporates how the carryover funds will be spent.
- **Scientific Justification** Upload a single PDF document in this section that explains the need for the carryover funding from a scientific perspective.

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Prior Approval - Change of PD/PI on a Grant

When it is necessary to change the program director/principal investigator (PD/PI) on a grant, a signing official (SO) can use the **Prior Approval** module to create and submit the request to the agency.

PD/PIs do not see the option for a change of PD/PI(s) in the **Prior Approval** module.

What Grants are Eligible for Change of PD/PI Request?

- Grant year is the most recent awarded year in the segment
- Grant family is not past the Project Period End Date
- Grant is not a Fellowship
- Grant is from an IC/agency that supports Change of PD/PI
- Administrative Supplements cannot have a Change of PD/PI initiated
- Can **not** be a multi-project grant

What Can You Change as Part of a PD/PI Request?

The *Change of PD/PI Modify Request* page consists of read-only application information, OPERA-mandated questions (which may be optional), and IC-specified document uploads.

The current reviewer can modify the following on a Change of PD/PI Modify Request:

- Add a PD/PI
- Remove PD/PI
- Mark PD/PI as Contact PD/PI
- Add Level of effort for PD/PI (calendar, or academic and/or summer. May not be zero "0".)
- Effective Date
- Justification
- Leadership for Grants that will become MPI
- Upload Bio Sketch (for each PD/PI)
 - Limit one (1) PDF per PD/PI, and file may not exceed 6 MB.
- Human Subjects checkbox
- Other Support upload (for each PD/PI)
- Other Documents (up to 10, 6 MB size limit per file)
- IC specific upload

See Viewing and Initiating Requests on page 277 for details on initiating a request.

After initiating a Change of PD/PI, you see the following details screen.

Application Information		
Contact PD/PI Dole, Agi Contact PD/PI User Id ABDOLE	Grants Management Specialist Haen, Anih eRATest@mail.nih.gov (555) 555-5506	Program Official Yavi, Jion eRATest@mail.nih.gov (555) 555-5509
Grant #: 7R35GM120000-05	Application Title New directions in Ni-coupling	
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA LO ANGELES	Budget Period OS 07/01/2021 - 03/31/2022	Project Period 04/01/2018 - 03/31/2023
Request Details		
Request ID: 21983		
PD/PI Assigned to Current Gr	rant Year	
PD/PI Name	PD/PI ID	
Dole, Agi	ABDOLE	
	Lev	rel of Effort in Person Months *
PD/PI Name *	PD/PI ID Contact PD/PI Cal	endar Academic Summer
Begin typing and select c		
Biosketch *	Other support *	
▲ Drop file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exceeding 6MB.	▲ Drop file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exceeding 6MB.	
Add/New		
Requested PD/PIs		
		Aca Sum Bio Sketch Other Support
PD/PI Name	ABDOLE Yes	o date for the
Dole, Agi ••• Effective Date Modify mm/dd/yyyy Delete	Human Subjects Education is up to PI(s) on this request *	

- Be sure to fill out all required fields (with a red asterisk). You can drag and drop a PDF file from your file system onto the **Drop file** area, or click **Browse** to locate and select a file.
- 2. To view or remove a file you have uploaded, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **View** or **Delete**. If you upload the wrong file, you must delete it in order to upload another, as only one file is allowed to be uploaded.

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- 3. To add a PI:
 - Type part of the **PD/PI Name**, then select from the list (only those researchers in your institution matching the typed text appear).
 - Choose whether the PD/PI will be **Contact PD/PI**.
 - Specify the level of effort in months that the PD/PI will spend on the project, either entering between 1 and 12 for the **Calendar** field, or entering a combination of **Academic** (1 to 9) and **Summer** (1 to 3). Enter either **Calendar**, or a combination of **Academic/Summer**, but not both.
 - Add a biosketch and statement of other sources of support for the PD/PI.
 - Click the Add/New button. The PD/PI you specified appears in the Reques-

ted PD/PIs table below the Add/New button.

Request ID: 19647				
PD/PI Assigned to Current Grant Yea	ar			
PD/PI Name	PD/PI ID			
BROWN, ARN	BROWN.		Level of Effo	rt in Person Months *
PD/PI Name *	PD/PI ID	Contact PD/PI	Calendar	Academic
Begin typing and select one (Last I				
Biosketch *	Other support *			
Drop file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exceeding 6MB.	L Drop file or l attach 1 PDF exceeding	file, not		

- 4. Optionally, you can use the steps above to add additional PIs to the request.
- 5. Optionally, you can change the data on a PI that you already added to the **Reques**ted **PD/PIs** table:
 - Click the PD/PI's three-dot ellipsis icon and select Modify.

Requested PD/PIs	
PD/PI Name	PD/PI ID Contact PD/PI Cal Aca Sum Bio Sketch Other Support
Dole, Agi	ABDOLE Yes
Effective Date Modify	Human Subjects Education is up to date for the
mm/dd/yyyy	PI(s) on this request *

 The PD/PI's information appears in the fields above the table (see below).
 Modify the data outlined in red below, then click the Add/New button again (this does not add the person to the table, but instead updates the person when they already exist in the table).

Request ID: 19647				
PD/PI Assigned to Current Grant Yea	r			
PD/PI Name	PD/PI ID			
BROWN, ARN	BROWN.		Level of Effo	rt in Person Months *
PD/PI Name *	PD/PI ID	Contact PD/PI	Calendar	Academic
Begin typing and select one (Last I				
Biosketch *	Other support *			
Drop file or browse to attach 1 PDF file, not exceeding 6MB.	L Drop file or I attach 1 PDF exceeding	file, not		

- 6. Optionally, you can delete a PD/PI that you have added by clicking the person's three-dot ellipsis icon and selecting **Delete**. A confirmation message warns you that all information for the person will be deleted and that the action cannot be undone.
- 7. You can click **Save** at the bottom of the screen if the request is not ready to submit; a message appears at the top of the page indicating that the request has been saved.

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Prior Approval - \$500K Request

NOTE: Both PIs and SOs may respond to \$500K requests but only an SO can submit them.

If you are an applicant planning to submit a grant application with \$500,000 or more in direct costs in any one budget year (excluding consortium F & A costs), you are required

to contact your program official (PO) and obtain approval from the funding agency six weeks prior to application submission.

What Grants are Eligible for \$500K Request?

If the program official (PO) determines that you want to facilitate the request through an electronic process, the PO initiates an invitation to the principal investigator (PI), which opens up a 500K request in the *Prior Approval* module. The PI and the Notice of Award contact for the organization/application will receive an email notification of the invitation.

NOTE: The option to submit a \$500K request is not visible in the *Prior Approval* module of eRA Commons until the PO has initiated the invitation.

<u>Go to the **Prior Approval** module</u> in eRA Commons to begin the process. You cannot initiate a 500K request; only the program official can. Once the request is in progress, you can look it up in *Prior Approval* and respond to it with appropriate documentation and justification.

To Respond to \$500K Request from PO:

- 1. Find the request in Prior Approval; see *Searching for and Modifying Existing Prior Approval Requests* on page 282.
- 2. After opening the 500K request, you see the following details screen.

* Required Fields	I Request 50	00k - Modify Requ	iest 🕜	
Request Details				
Request ID				
30289				
Principal Investiga	tor (PI)		Organization	
JANE DOE			UNIVERSITY OF DIEGO	
Project Title *			Opportunity Number *	Anticipated Submission Date
			ex. PA-01-001	mm/dd/yyyy
Activity Code	IC	Serial	Program Official	
	GM	ex. 123456	JOHN DOE	
ex: R01				
Justification •				
Justification •				
Justification •	cuments	racters.) attach 10 PDF files, not exceeding 6M	3.
Justification •	cuments	racters.	e attach 10 PDF files, not exceeding 6M	B.
Justification *	cuments	racters.	o attach 10 PDF files, not exceeding 6M	B. Comment

3. Be sure to fill out all required fields (with a red asterisk). You can drag and drop a PDF file from your file system onto the **Drop file** area, or click **Browse** to locate

and select a file.

4. To view or remove a file you have uploaded, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **View** or **Delete**. If you upload the wrong file, you must delete it in order to upload another, as only one file is allowed to be uploaded.

		Date Created
		 10/22/2020
Vie	w	
De	lete	

NOTES:

- **Anticipated Submission Date** The date the application is expected to be submitted. This date may not be in the past, or more than 120 days in the future.
- **Justification** This is a brief description of the justification to submit for over \$500K.
- If the \$500K request is being submitted for a Renewal (Type 2) application, the user may also provide the Activity Code and Serial Number of the grant family.

After modifying a \$500K request, the PI or SO can route the request to the other role; see *Routing a Prior Approval Request* on page 312.

Upon a successful submission, the system sends an email notification the submitter, as well as to the associated PI, informing them that the request was submitted to the agency. \$500K requests cannot be deleted.

Also see:

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Saving a Request on page 309

Canceling Changes to a Request on page 309

Viewing History of a Request on page 310

Routing a Prior Approval Request on page 312

Submitting or Deleting a Request

Submitting, saving, canceling changes, and deleting requests have the same steps for all request types.

Submitting the Request to the Agency

Only the signing official (SO) can submit an *in progress* request to the agency.

- 1. Find and open an in progress request; see *Searching for and Modifying Existing Prior Approval Requests* on page 282.
- 2. When all fields of the request's details screen have been populated and all required files have been uploaded, click the **Submit** button at the bottom of the screen to send the request to the agency.

NOTE: Principal investigators (PI) do not see the **Submit** button. Principal investigators do see a **Route** button, by which they can route the request to an SO in their organization who can submit it; see *Routing a Prior Approval Request* on page 312.

3. When the confirmation message asks "Are you sure you wish to submit to Agency?", click the **Yes** button.

Once the system validates that all required fields have been completed and all required documents uploaded, a message is displayed indicating a successful submission. If errors are listed after clicking **Submit**, fix all errors before clicking **Submit** again.

Prior Approval Request Change of PD/PI - Available Grants 😯

Change of PD/PI Request has been successfully submitted to Agency

Other actions that occur upon Submit are:

- System generates a PDF of the request including uploaded documents
- System sends notifications (SO, GMS, PO)
- System Stores PDF in Grant Folder for internal and external users

Saving a Request

If you cannot finish the request after initiating or modifying it, you can save it and come back to it later.

- 1. Find and open an *in progress* request; see *Searching for and Modifying Existing Prior Approval Requests* on page 282.
- 2. Click the **Save** button at the bottom of the screen.

Canceling Changes to a Request

When you click the **Cancel** button on the details screen for a request, any changes you have made to the request since the last time you saved are discarded, and you are returned to the *Prior Request* landing page. If you have saved any information on the details screen and you click **Cancel**, the saved information will still be available to update later.

Cancel does NOT delete the request. To delete a request, you must open the request for editing and click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen.

Deleting a Request

If you decide to delete the request while on a details screen for a request, simply click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen. The entire request will be deleted and the screen will return to the *Prior Approval* landing screen.

If you have saved the request and are no longer on its details screen, find the request on the *Prior Approval* landing page, which lists all your in-progress requests by default. If there are too many to easily find it, use the **Search for Requests** button, or type text to match in the **Filter Table** text box.

From the resulting search results, click the linked **Request ID** in the table open the request, or select **Modify** from a request's three-dot ellipsis menu. At the bottom of the request's details page, click the **Delete** button and click **Yes** in the ensuing *Confirmation* popup. You are returned to the *Prior Approval* landing page and the request is deleted.

NOTE: 500K requests cannot be deleted.

Viewing History of a Request

There are two ways to view the history of a request; one method for *in progress* requests that are not yet submitted, and another method for requests that have been submitted to the agency..

View History for a Work in Progress Request

- 1. Find the request you want to view history for. All *in progress* requests are listed on the *Prior Approval* landing page. If there are too many to easily find it, SOs can use the **Search for Requests** button, or type text to match in the **Filter Table** text box; see *Searching for and Modifying Existing Prior Approval Requests* on page 282.
- 2. Open a request.
 - From the *Prior Approval* landing page, click its linked **Request ID** number.
 - From search results listing, select **Modify** from its three-dot ellipsis menu. The details screen for the request appears.
- 3. Open the **Request History** section of the request, which is at the bottom of the screen.

Request History				
Action Taken By	Event	Action Date	Request Status	Comment
Ablo, Sam	INITIATE	02/18/2022	Request Initiated	

View History for a Submitted Request

Submitted requests do not appear by default on the Prior Approval landing page.

- 1. Find a submitted prior approval request.
 - SO: Click the **Search for Requests** button, select "Submitted to Agency" in the **Request Status** field, as well as any other search criteria to narrow the results, and click **Search**.
 - PI: Turn the **Submitted to Agency** toggle on.
- 2. In the search results, click the three-dot ellipsis icon for a request and select **View History**.

305 result(s)			
Request ID 👻	Request Type 🌲	PI Name ≑	Request Status ≑
21983	Change Of Pl	Dole, Agi	Submitted to Agency
View Histor	y _{'é} r	Nis, Kit	Submitted to Agency
21022	Comments		Submitted to

The *Request History* screen appears, showing actions that have taken place on the request.

Request ID 21983	(P	incipal Investig I) ole, Agi	,	ant Numl 35GM120	
Project Title New directions in	Nicoupling				
Action Taken By	Event	Action Date	Request	Status	Comment
Ablo, Sam	SUBMIT	02/18/2022	Request Submitte	d	
Ablo, Sam	INITIATE	02/17/2022	Request I	nitiated	

Routing a Prior Approval Request

You can route two types of requests: Withdrawal and 500K. A principal investigator (PI) can initiate a Withdrawal or respond to a 500K request, but the PI cannot submit the request. In this case, the PI can route the request to the signing official (SO). All SOs in the grantee organization will then have access to modify and submit the request. Likewise, an SO can route a request back to the associated PI, such as if more information is needed. The PI must be affiliated with the grantee institution to see routed requests.

If a request is *In Progress PI* status, the PI can route it to the SO. If the request is *In Progress SO* status, the SO can route it to the PI.

To route a Prior Approval Request:

- 1. Click the **Route** button at the bottom of the *Modify Request* screen.
 - The Confirmation screen displays.

Confirmation	×
Do you wish to route this Withdrawal request?	
Comments:	
This request is ready for submission. Please check attachmer for accuracy.	nts
Cancel Cancel	so
Cancel 🌈 Route to S	SO

Figure 148: Confirmation popup for routing a withdrawal prior approval request

1. *[Optional*] Enter comments in the **Comments** box to provide information to the next reviewer.

2. Click the **Route to SO** button (or **Route to PI** button if an SO is doing the routing). The system will notify PIs only of a request that has been routed to them.

If the routing is successful, a success message displays and you can no longer edit the request; only the current reviewer can modify it. However, after routing, you can still view the request in read-only mode, and a **Recall** button at the bottom of the read-only screen lets you recall the request. If you recall the request, it is editable again.

Recalling a Prior Approval Request

Prior Approval Requests that have been routed to a reviewer can be recalled by the previous reviewer. A signing official (SO) can recall a request even if they were not the last reviewer. After the status of the request becomes "*Submitted to Agency*" it can no longer be recalled. Also see *Routing a Prior Approval Request* on page 312.

For a principal investigator (PI), the **Recall** button appears only for requests that you have routed. For a SO, the **Recall** button appears on any request set to *In Progress PI* status.

To recall a request:

- 1. Click the **Recall** button from the *View Request* screen.
 - A message displays on the screen indicating that the request has been suc-

cessfully recalled.

Request Details				
Request ID 21980				
Principal Investigate Dowd, Hattie	or (PI)	Grants.gov Trackin GRANT12645472	ng Applicati 3P30AG0	
Project Title CED Decision Makin	g			
Justification				
Withdrawal justific	ation			
Supporting Docu	uments			
 Request Histor 	ry			
Action Taken By	Event	Action Date	Request Status	Con
Dowd, Hattie	ROUTE	02/17/2022	Request routed	
Dowd, Hattie	INITIAT	E 02/17/2022	Request Initiated	

The request is now assigned back to you and can be modified.

Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Module

The RPPR module allows extramural grantee institutions to electronically submit Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPR) to the Grants Management community.

See Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) for RPPR here (these do not apply to Department of Commerce--DOC-- awards):

https://grants.nih.gov/faqs#/research-performance-progress-report.htm

RPPR module features include:

- Electronic initiation of an RPPR
- Electronic routing of an RPPR to authorizing officials at the applicant institution for review and approval prior to submission to the agency
- Viewing of RPPR routing history
- Error checking capabilities
- Electronic submission of an RPPR
- Creation of Interim RPPR
- Electronic submission of Interim RPPR
- Creation of <u>Final RPPR</u>
- Electronic submission of **Final RPPR**
- Ability for an SO to delegate authority to a PD/PI for submitting an RPPR
- PDF generated version stored in the electronic grant folder (Commons Status Information screen)

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Delegations cannot be used for DOC awards.

Accessing the RPPR Module

To access the RPPR module after logging into eRA Commons, select Status from the main menu.

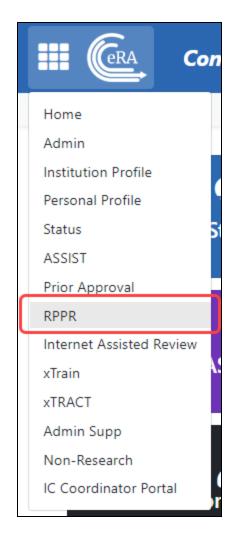


Figure 149: Select RPPR from the main menu, which is under the eRA logo in upper left.

Field-by-field guidance is available for completing the NIH, AHRQ, and VA Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs). Refer to the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide* (<u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf</u>) for completing Sections A-I of the RPPR. This guide does not apply to Department of Commerce (DOC) awards.

Manage RPPR Screen

The *Manage RPPR* screen is the portal into all RPPR functionality. The screen appears when you select **RPPR** from eRA Common navigation. If you are a PI, the screen shows

your Not Started or in-progress RPPRs. If you are an SO, search criteria lets you search for RPPRs from your organization.

For instructions on how to use the **Awarding Office/IC** button to limit searches to specific grantor organizations, see *Searching for Awards by Awarding Office/IC (Search Criteria)* on page 117.

To process your RPPR, click the grant number link in the **Award Number** column, which opens the *RPPR Menu* screen, from which you can access all features including initiating, editing, routing, etc.

Also see <u>Accessing a Single-Project RPPR for Editing</u> or <u>Accessing a Multi-Project or</u> <u>Single-Project with Complicated Structure for Editing</u>.

You can edit an RPPR only if you are the current reviewer. The PI who initiated the RPPR is automatically the current reviewer. When the RPPR is routed to someone else, that person becomes the current reviewer and can edit. See *Routing the RPPR* on page 382.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. Awards do not appear on the *Manage RPPR* screen for DOC awardees. DOC awardees should initiate or access existing RPPRs from the Status module; see *Accessing a Work-in-Progress DOC RPPR* on page 525.

Click here for sample image:

ward Number			GS Number:		PD/PI Last N	lame:
Type Activity 🗸	lc v	·			ex: Smith	
Serial# Year	Suffix					
urrent Reviewer	Last Name	2:	Status:		Awarding O	ffice/IC
ex: Johnson			All	~	Change Se	lections None
						Clear Q Sear
		vards (•			Clear Q Sear
		vards	•		* 🗉	
dicates GS Numb Applicatic Filter Table Award Number \$		1 Results	Project Title 🗢	Due Date 4		

RPPR Menu

The *RPPR Menu* screen provides access to various functions used to complete and process your RPPR. It appears when you click an award number on the Manage RPPR screen. The due date for the RPPR appears on the RPPR Menu screen.

Click here for a sample image.

RPPR Men	iu 😯			
RPPR				
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(P BROWN, JAN	I) Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in
	☑ Edit RPPR			Progress
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	A Check for Errors	Project Title Glioblastoma		
	View RPPR as PDF	0.000.00000000		
	View Routing History			
	A Route to Next Reviewer			🕇 Cance
	Submit			

Buttons or Actions Available in Three-Dot Ellipsis Menu

Available actions, most of which are found by clicking the three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Award Number, vary depending on the status of the RPPR and/or the limitations of the current user's role. The possible available actions are shown here:

Initiate button: Begins the RPPR process. Available for grants with a status of Not Started. Access is granted to PD/PIs and PD/PI delegates. An RPPR can be initiated even if required information in the Personal Profile and Institution Profile sections is missing. If any of this information is incorrect or missing, a prompt will appear to correct/complete the information after initiating the report. Processing may continue on the RPPR without making the corrections; however, the RPPR will not pass validations for submission to the agency until the errors are corrected.

Edit RPPR: Click the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and select **Edit RPPR** to open the RPPR for edits. Available for progress reports with a status of Work in Progress (WIP). Access is granted to PD/PIs or PD/PI delegates when the PD/PI is the current reviewer, AOs when the AO is the current reviewer, and SOs when the SO is the current reviewer. The Edit button allows the user to view and edit RPPR information.

View RPPR as PDF: Click the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and select **View RPPR as PDF** to open the RPPR report in PDF format, as it will be seen by the agency. Available for progress reports with a status of Work in Progress (WIP) or Submitted to Agency. Access is granted to PD/PIs, PD/PI delegates, and

reviewers. Until the RPPR is submitted to agency, the PDF report shows a status of Draft and a blank submission date.

Check for Errors: Click the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and select **Check for Errors** to check the RPPR for any errors or warnings. Available for progress reports with a status of Work in Progress (WIP). Access is granted to any user with access to the grant. The RPPR can be validated at any time while in the status of WIP and can be validated multiple times.

View Routing History: Click the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and select **View Routing History** to open a page that displays a routing history table. Available for progress reports with a status of Work in Progress (WIP) or Submitted to Agency. Access is granted to PD/PIs, PD/PI delegates, and reviewers.

Route to Next Reviewer: Click the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and select **Route to Next Reviewer** to route the RPPR to the next reviewer for further review or corrections. Available for progress reports with a status of Work in Progress (WIP). Access is granted to the current reviewer. A PD/PI delegate cannot route an RPPR to the next reviewer.

Recall: Click the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and select **Recall** to recall RPPRs that have been forwarded to another reviewer and resets the user as the current reviewer. Available for reports with a status of Work in Progress (WIP). Access is granted to the last reviewer (who recalls the report from the current reviewer). Signing Officials and PD/PIs can recall an RPPR even if they are not the last reviewer whenever it has a status of Reviewer Work in Progress. This is useful in situations when a RPPR has been routed to the wrong person or to someone who is unavailable.

Submit: Click the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and select **Submit** to submit the RPPR to the agency. Available for reports with a status of Work in Progress (WIP). Access is granted to the SO when the SO is the current reviewer and to the PD/PI when the PD/PI has been delegated Progress Report authority.

Cancel button: Closes the RPPR Menu screen and returns the user to the previous screen.

Individual help topics exist for each of the features. Please refer to the specific help topics linked below.

Initiating the RPPR

Agency-Specific Instructions: DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE. For DOC awards, see these DOC-specific instructions for initiating an RPPR: *Initiating the Department of Commerce RPPR* on page 521

Only the program director/principal investigator (PD/PI) or their PD/PI delegate can initiate an RPPR and only a signing official (SO) can submit it. When there are multiple PIs (MPI), only the Contact PD/PI or the Contact PD/PI's delegate can initiate the RPPR.

To initiate, the user can choose from one of two ways to access the RPPR functionality:

- 1. Access RPPR from Status.
 - a. Navigate to the Status module in eRA Commons.
 - b. Click the **List of Applications/Awards** heading or arrow on the *Status* screen.

Status: PI Search The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA
Service Desk .
The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.
Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official
List of Applications/Awards
 Funded Awards Successfully submitted applications, both paper and electronic Review assignment status, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award Other Commons features (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num
Enter the Grants.gov Tracking Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application
Tracking Number Search

a. From the Status Result - List of Applications/Grants screen, locate the award and click the RPPR link from the Actions drop-down menu in the Available Actions column for the specific grant (use Flat View). The RPPR link for the current reporting period is available once the Notice of Award for the prior year has been issued. This link remains available until the RPPR for the current reporting year has been submitted.

For multi-year funded awards, the link will display as **RPPR Year <X>**, the <X> representing the reporting year. The link for a multi-year funded award is available two months prior to the RPPR due date for the current reporting period and remains available until the RPPR is submitted. Note that AHRQ has not yet implemented the RPPR for multi-year funded awards.

NOTE: While **RPPR Year <X>** links for multiple years may appear at the same time in *Status*, you are prevented from initiating a progress report until the previous progress report(s) have been submitted.

 ✓ P30AG010101 	16 LIST OF 7	Applications/A 07/01/1997 - 06/30/2025 (Project Period)	Dow, HATFI (PD/PI)		Aging (Title)	Pending	
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title	PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
5P30AG010101-30		Center on Aging	DOW, HATFI (PI)		Pending	06/26/2023	RPPR Human Subjects

-OR-

- Access RPPR by clicking **RPPR** in eRA Commons navigation (not applicable for DOC Awards).
 - a. Navigate to the **RPPR** module in eRA Commons.

The *Manage RPPR* screen displays, which shows grants that require RPPRs or have RPPRs in progress. The user can select a progress report in order to perform various actions.

Signing officials and authorized officials see search options on *Manage RPPR*, which let them search for specific awards (see). Search results are listed below.

Principal investigators or their delegates see only the list of progress reports to which the logged in user has access.

b. Select a specific award by clicking its link in the **Award Number** column on the *Manage RPPR* screen.

3				
wards 📵				
4 Results				▲ 🔳 < 1 of 1 マ >
PD/PI Name ≑	Project Title ≑	Due Date 🗸	Status ≑	Current Reviewer ≑
BROWN, JAN	Glioblastoma	12/15/2 021 🛕	PD/PI Work in Progress	BROWN, JAN
	A Results	Vards 1 4 Results PD/PI Name \$ Project Title \$	PD/PI Name \$ Due Date \$ BROWN, JAN Glioblastoma 12/15/2	Wards ③ 4 Results PD/PI Name ◆ Project Title ◆ Due Date ↓ Status ◆ BROWN, JAN Glioblastoma 12/15/2 PD/PI Work in

If an RPPR exists already, Commons displays the report for editing.

If the RPPR is not yet started, the *RPPR Menu* screen displays with an **Initiate** button.

The RPPR Menu screen includes the following fields:

Award Number

This is the complete number of the grant

PD/PI Name

The PD/PI of the grant award for which the progress report is being prepared. In the case of MPIs, a list of PD/PI names displays with the Contact PD/PI indicated by the word Contact.

Project Title

The project title of the grant

Due Date

<u>NIH</u>

The due date of the progress report for awards issued under the SNAP (Streamlined Noncompeting Award Process) provisions is the 15th of the month preceding the month in which the budget period ends (e.g., if the budget period ends 11/30, the due date is 10/15). If the award is not issued under SNAP provisions, the progress report is due the first of the month preceding the month in which the budget period ends (e.g., if the budget period ends 11/30, the due date is 10/1). If the due date falls on a weekend or federal holiday, the due date is automatically extended to the next business day. Progress reports for Fellowships are due two months before the beginning date of the next budget period. Occasionally the Notice of Award (NoA) will indicate a different due date that will supersede these dates. Grantees should consult the NoA to determine when SNAP procedures apply.

<u>AHRQ</u>

All AHRQ RPPRs are due 3 months before the anniversary of the award. For example, for an FY2021 award issued with a start date of 2/1/2021, the annual progress report (RPPR) for the award to be issued in FY2022 is due 11/1/2021 (i.e., three months before the FY2022 budget period start date of 2/1/2022). If the due date falls on a weekend or federal holiday, the due date is automatically extended to the next business day.

Current Reviewer

The name of the current reviewer or organization (e.g., PD/PI name, NIH). This value is blank before the RPPR is initiated.

Status

The current state of the progress report. Possible values are as follows: Not Started, PD/PI Work in Progress, Reviewer Work in Progress, and Submitted to Agency.

Buttons or Actions Available in Three-Dot Ellipsis Menu

Available actions, most of which are found by clicking the three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Award Number, vary depending on the status of the RPPR and/or the limitations of the current user's role. See *RPPR Menu* on page 318 for a list of all possible buttons and actions (under the three-dot ellipsis icon) available on the RPPR Menu screen.

2. Click the **Initiate** button to begin the RPPR.

RPPR Menu RPPR				
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI) BROWN, JAN	Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer	Status Not Started
Institution		Project Title		Not Started
UNIVERSITY OF CALIF	ORNIA	Glioblastoma		

Once initiated, Commons creates the RPPR in a *PD/PI Work in Progress* status and sets the current reviewer. A message displays as follows:

The RPPR has been successfully initiated.

NOTE: If initiation fails due to business rules validations, error or warning messages display on the screen.

Once initiated, begin editing by clicking the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and selecting **Edit RPPR**. The RPPR is accessed for editing via the *RPPR Menu* screen. The steps for accessing each type of RPPR are outlined in other topics. Refer to <u>Accessing</u> <u>a Single-Project RPPR for Editing</u> or <u>Accessing a Multi-Project or Single-Project with Com-</u> <u>plicated Structure for Editing</u>.

Accessing a Work-in-Progress RPPR

If an RPPR is due but not started or already initiated, you can access it via the RPPR module. See *Manage RPPR Screen* on page 316.

You can edit an RPPR only if you are the current reviewer. The PI who initiated the RPPR is automatically the current reviewer. When the RPPR is routed to someone else, that person becomes the current reviewer and can edit. See *Routing the RPPR* on page 382.

Initiating the Department of Commerce RPPR

The Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) module of eRA Commons is used by awardees of Department of Commerce (DOC) awards to submit research performance progress reports to DOC.

For DOC awards, the RPPR can be accessed ONLY via the RPPR action in the Status module. The *Manage RPPR* screen, which opens if you select RPPR from the Main Menu module navigation, does NOT list DOC awards. This is different from non-DOC awards, where RPPR-eligible awards are listed on the *Manage RPPR* screen.

General Information on DOC RPPR

- For an overview of RPPR, see *Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Module* on page 315.
- RPPRs are due semi-annually for DOC awards. Also, awardees submit a Final RPPR as part of the closeout process. See *Closeout Status for DOC Awards* on page 624.
- All DOC awards requiring RPPRs are multi-year.
- RPPRs should be completed/submitted in order. For example, Semi-Annual RPPR 1 must be completed before Semi-Annual RPPR 2.
- After an RPPR has been submitted, you can modify it and resubmit it. This capability to resubmit RPPRs is available for DOC awards only. If you submit a modified RPPR, it replaces the prior submitted RPPR. Once the RPPR is accepted by the agency, you can no longer resubmit.
- For DOC awards, RPPR shows an additional form named J. Misc. Documents, which is simply used to upload up to 20 documents of your choice; see *J. Misc. Documents* on page 366.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. The NIH RPPR Instruction guide, titled the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide* (<u>https://-grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf</u>), is **not applicable** to DOC awards. Consult with your DOC grants management specialist for policy questions on RPPR for your DOC award.

Initiating a Department of Commerce (DOC) RPPR

Only the principal investigator/program director (PD/PI) can initiate an RPPR and only a signing official (SO) can submit it. When there are multiple PIs (MPI), only the Contact PI can initiate the report. For DOC awards, no RPPR functionality can be delegated.

To initiate or access a DOC RPPR from the Status module:

- 1. Navigate to the Status module in eRA Commons.
- 2. Click the **List of Applications/Grants** link from the *Status* screen or from the menu options.

Status: PI Search
The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA Service Desk .
The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.
Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official
List of Applications/Awards
 Funded Awards Successfully submitted applications, both paper and electronic Review assignment status, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award Other Commons features (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num
Enter the Grants.gov Tracking Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application Tracking Number Search

From the Status Result - List of Applications/Grants screen, locate the award and click the Semi-Annual RPPR x link from the Actions drop-down menu in the Available Actions column for the specific grant (use *Flat View*).
 For all awards, the link will display as Semi-Annual RPPR <X>, the <X>

representing the sequential number of the semi-annual RPPR. The RPPR link for the current reporting period becomes available on the first day of the due period and remains available until the RPPR is submitted. If, after submission, the RPPR is returned from the DOC agency to the awardee, the RPPR link becomes available again.

NOTE: If multiple RPPR links appear for an award (for example, **Semi-Annual RPPR 1**, **Semi-Annual RPPR 2**, **Semi-Annual RPPR 3**), you are prevented from initiating a progress report until the previous progress reports have been submitted.

If an RPPR exists already, Commons displays the report for editing.

If the RPPR is not yet started, the *RPPR Menu* screen displays with an **Initiate** button.

The RPPR Menu screen includes the following fields:

Award Number

This is the complete number of the award.

PD/PI Name

The PD/PI of the grant award for which the progress report is being prepared. In the case of MPIs, a list of PD/PI names displays with the Contact PD/PI indicated by the word Contact.

Project Title

The project title of the grant

Due Date

The due date of the progress report.

Current Reviewer

The name of the current reviewer or organization (e.g., PD/PI name, NIH). This value is blank before the RPPR is initiated.

Status

The current state of the progress report. Possible values are as follows: Not Started, PD/PI Work in Progress, Reviewer Work in Progress, and Submitted to Agency.

Buttons or Actions Available in Three-Dot Ellipsis Menu

Available actions, most of which are found by clicking the three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Award Number, vary depending on the status of the RPPR and/or the limitations of the current user's role. See *RPPR Menu* on page 318 for a list of all possible buttons and actions (under the three-dot ellipsis icon) available on the RPPR Menu screen.

4. Click the Initiate button to begin the RPPR.

RPPR Menu RPPR	8			
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI) BROWN, JAN	Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer	Status Not Started
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CALIF	DRNIA	Project Title Glioblastoma		
UNIVERSITY OF CALIF	DRNIA		S Cancel	Initiate

Once initiated, Commons creates the RPPR in a *PD/PI Work in Progress* status and sets you as the current reviewer. A message displays as follows:

The RPPR has been successfully initiated.

NOTE: If initiation fails due to business rules validations, error or warning messages display on the screen.

Once initiated, begin editing by clicking the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and selecting **Edit RPPR**. The steps for accessing a DOC RPPR are outlined below.

Accessing a Work-in-Progress DOC RPPR

If an RPPR is already initiated, you can access it via the Status module. You can edit an RPPR only if you are the current reviewer. The PI who initiated the RPPR is automatically the current reviewer. When the RPPR is routed to someone else, that person becomes the current reviewer and can edit. See *Routing the RPPR* on page 382.

Principal Investigator

A PI navigates to the Status module, expands the award that has the RPPR, and clicks the RPPR Semi-Annual x action.

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Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title	PD/PI Name	e Submission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
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Figure 150: Section of PI Status results, showing the Semi-Annual RPPR action

Signing Official

An SO navigates to the Status module, does a search to find the award, clicks the threedot ellipsis menu, and clicks the **RPPR Semi-Annual x** action.

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	Semi-Annual RPPR 4 Semi-Annual RPPR 5 Revision Request Correspondence							

Editing the RPPR Forms

Field-by-field guidance is available for completing the NIH, AHRQ, and VA Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs). Refer to the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide* (https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf) for completing Sections A-I of the RPPR. This guide does not apply to Department of Commerce (DOC) awards.

NOTE: PDF uploads for all RPPR sections are required to be a flattened PDF. A flattened PDF is one that does not have fillable forms or other layers, such as movable images. The easiest way to flatten a PDF using Adobe Acrobat Reader is to print the document, but choose the "Print to PDF" option in the Print dialog, and save to a new file name when prompted. If you attempt to upload and save a file that is not a flattened PDF, you see this error message, "Error Uploading PDF. Please ensure all files are flattened.".

See screenshots of each form at the links below. Not all forms apply to all awards and specific questions on each form may be applicable or not depending on the award type and the awarding agency's policies.

- A. Cover Page on page 339
- *B. Accomplishments* on page 340
- C. Products on page 343
- D. Participants on page 347
- E. Impact on page 349
- F. Changes on page 349
- G. Special Reporting Req on page 351
- *H. Budget* on page 353
- I. Outcomes on page 365
- J. Misc. Documents on page 366

Editing the RPPR

To edit the RPPR:

1. Update the information as necessary and click the **Save** button.

The *RPPR* includes tabs at the top and links at the bottom of the page for navigating to the other sections (e.g., **Accomplishments**, **Participants**), which may be completed in any order. Before navigating to and from any of these sections, you must click the **Save** button--navigating away from any page on the RPPR without clicking **Save** results in the loss of any information entered prior to the last save.

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- 2. Sections can be completed in any order. To navigate and populate the other sections of the RPPR, select the links from the top or bottom of the page.
- 3. Complete the appropriate fields of the report.

Details for completing each section are discussed in the RPPR Instruction Guide (<u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf</u>). Many of the fields on these pages, however, behave in a similar manner.

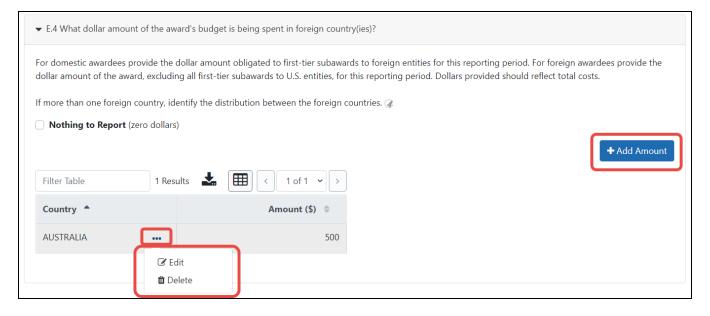
- 4. Click the **Save** button before navigating to the next page.
- 5. To return to the *RPPR Menu*, click the **Cancel** button.

When an RPPR is ready for review and submission, it is routed to the next reviewer. Refer to *Routing the RPPR* on page 382

Using the Buttons, Tables, and other Web Page Items to Fill Out RPPR Forms

+ Add Button

To use an **Add** button, click it to see a popup, then enter or select data into the appropriate fields.



You can edit or delete items from the table using the actions listed under the three-dot ellipsis menu.

Text Box

All text boxes on the RPPR have character limits. The number of characters available is reflected beneath each text box as characters are entered.

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The major goal of this project is to	
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Changing Saved Responses

While in work-in-progress (WIP) status, the RPPR is editable. A warning message displays as follows:

The entered/uploaded response will be deleted. Do you wish to continue?

The user editing the information can choose to **Continue** or **Cancel** the action. Choosing **Continue** deletes the previous response, removes any attachments, and disables the relevant fields associated with the question. Choosing **Cancel** cancels the change.

Using Table Tools

You might notice various icons above tables in RPPR. Several built-in table tools let you work with data in tables.

TIP: Table tools might include the ability to: filter results; show/hide columns; download to Excel or print; specify number of visible records; navigate through tables of data; select and unselect records in bulk; and sort. Table tools are described in *Standard Tools for Tables* on page 109. Not all table tools apply to every table.

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Filter

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Entering filter text to see instant filtering of the list as you type, with the number of found results updated as you type. The text you type in filter is highlighted in the table.

Sorting Columns



Click column headers to sort by that column. Gray up and down triangles indicated a non-sorted column. A solid black up arrow indicates the table is sorted by that column descending and solid black down arrow indicates the table is sorted by that column ascending.

Bulk Select/Deselect Tool



Use the bulk actions tool to select or deselect all items in a table, or to select all/deselect all of those items currently visible on the page. , and to show selected rows only or all rows. Other bulk action tools might also let you mark or clear the checkboxes of all currently visible rows (such as those found by typing filter text).

Check All marks all checkboxes regardless of the number of pages of records shown. In other words, if there are 10 pages of records available, with only the first page currently visible, **Check All** marks all enabled checkboxes on all pages. By contrast, **Check All Visible** marks only those enabled checkboxes on the currently visible page. See **Page Navigation** below for directions on how to navigate between pages of data.

Download/Print Tool



Use the download tool to export table data to Excel or PDF, or to print. Data from all columns is exported/printed even if only a subset of columns are visible.

Grid Tool



To help avoid scrolling, use the grid tool to specify how many table rows appear per page.

Search Results Navigation

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Navigate to each page of search results using the above tool.

How Do I Fill Out the RPPR Forms?

Field-by-field guidance is available for completing the NIH, AHRQ, and VA Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs). Refer to the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide* (<u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf</u>) for completing Sections A-I of the RPPR. This guide does not apply to Department of Commerce (DOC) awards.

Please refer to the following sections of the PDF RPPR Instruction Guide (linked above) when completing your report:

- Cover Page See "Section A Cover Page"
- Accomplishments See "Section B Accomplishments"
- Products See "Section C Products"
- Participants See "Section D Participants"
- Impact See "Section E Impact"
- Changes See "Section F Changes"
- Special Reporting Requirements See "Section G Special Reporting Requirements"
- Budget See "Section H Budget"
- Outcomes See "Section I Outcomes"

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce awards: The **Section J. Misc. Documents** RPPR form is for Department of Commerce only and does not appear for awards from other agencies. Section J is NOT documented in the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide*. See *J. Misc. Documents* on page 366or the Department of Commerce Grant Enterprise Managment Solution site.

NOTE: PDF uploads for all RPPR sections are required to be a flattened PDF. A flattened PDF is one that does not have fillable forms or other layers, such as movable images. The easiest way to flatten a PDF using Adobe Acrobat Reader is to print the document, but choose the "Print to PDF" option in the Print dialog, and save to a new file name when prompted. If you attempt to upload and save a file that is not a flattened PDF, you see this error message, "Error Uploading PDF. Please ensure all files are flattened.".

RPPR Navigation

The RPPR is completed using eRA Commons. The report in Commons consists of separate screens for each of the sections listed below:

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A. Cover Page

- **B. Accomplishments**
- C. Products
- D. Participants (only section D.1 for FRPPR)

- E. Impact
- F. Changes (not used for FRPPR)
- **G. Special Reporting Requirements**
- H. Budget (not used for FRPPR)
- I. Outcomes (only used for FRPPR)
- J. Misc. Documents (available for Department of Commerce awards only)

Users can work on various sections in any order; however, it is important to click the **Save** button at the bottom of a screen to retain data entered on that screen. Upon submission to the awarding agency, the system generates a PDF of the progress report, which you can view from the *RPPR Menu* screen by clicking an award's three-dot ellipsis menu and selecting the **View RPPR as PDF** button.

Once submitted, the Final RPPR, in PDF format, is accessible in Commons via the *Status Information* screen. Refer to *Viewing the RPPR in Commons* on page 434

Field-by-field guidance is available for completing the NIH, AHRQ, and VA Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs). Refer to the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide* (<u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf</u>) for completing Sections A-I of the RPPR. This guide does not apply to Department of Commerce (DOC) awards.

A. Cover Page

After accessing the RPPR, the section *A. Cover Page* displays. The *Cover Page* includes information about the grant, PD/PI, signing and administrative officials, organization, and project/reporting/budget periods. Much of this information is pre-populated from data in eRA systems, but certain fields are editable.

See the <u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u> for details of how to fill this form out.

Remember to save all your changes before leaving the page.		
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Figure 151: The A. Cover Page section of the RPPR

B. Accomplishments

The RPPR section B. Accomplishments allows the agency to assess whether satisfactory progress has been made during the reporting period.

See the <u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u> for details of how to fill this form out.

Remember to save all your changes before leaving the page.	
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Figure 152: The B. Accomplishments section of the RPPR

About the Trainee Diversity Report

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). DOC awardees do not use xTrain and do not have the **Generate the Trainee Diversity Report** link that is shown below.

Question B.4 of the Accomplishments section of the RPPR has a link to generate the automated Trainee Diversity Report for certain research training, career development, and research education grant types (if trainee data has been entered into xTrain). If you see the <u>Generate the Trainee Diversity Report</u> link in the RPPR Accomplishments section, instructions for generating the report can be found in the xTrain online help here: <u>Generate the Trainee Diversity Report</u>. Also see the <u>NIH Guide Notice NOT-OD-20-178</u> and the <u>Electronic Trainee Diversity Report</u> video tutorial.

IMPORTANT: Only signing officials (SOs), program directors/principal investigators (PD/PIs), and SO delegates can submit a Trainee Diversity Report.

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C. Products

The RPPR section C. Products allows agencies to assess and report both publications and other products to Congress, communities of interest, and the public.

Note that there are two versions of Form C Products, and the type of award determines which version you see. If you are viewing an NIH, AHRQ, or VA award, you will see the first version below. If you are viewing a Department of Commerce award, you will see the second version below. The first version connects to My NCBI and lists publications published there. The second version does not connect to My NCBI, but allows you to manually citations for publications that you wish to associate with this RPPR.

See the <u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u> for details of how to fill this form out.

C. Products Form for NIH, AHRQ, VA

The form automatically lists publications from My NCBI that are associated with this project. Select the checkboxes of the publications in "All publications affliliated with this project in My NCBI" to affiliate with this project report.

Use the bulk tool \square to bulk select or deselect publications.

Agency-Specific Instructions: The following form does not apply to Department of Commerce (DOC) awards. See the next section for the DOC Products form.

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Figure 153: The C. Products section of the RPPR for most awards

C. Products Form for Department of Commerce (DOC)

The DOC Products form does not connect to My NCBI. Manually enter citations of publications that should be affiliated with this RPPR, as described below.

Agency-Specific Instructions: The following form applies ONLY to Department of Commerce (DOC) awards. See the previous section for the Products form that applies to other agencies.

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Figure 154: The C. Products section of the RPPR for Department of Commerce Awards

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Figure 155: The Add Manual Citations popup for Department of Commerce Awards

D. Participants

The RPPR Section D. lets the agency know who has worked on the project to gauge and report performance in promoting partnerships and collaborations.

Read all onscreen instructions before completing this form. Onscreen instructions for D.1 vary slightly between research, training, and complex awards. See the <u>RPPR Instruction</u> <u>Guide</u> for details.

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Figure 156: The D. Participants section of the RPPR. S/K in the list of participants stands for Senior/Key, meaning is the participant a senior or key personnel on the project.

E. Impact

The RPPR Section E Impact will be used to describe ways in which the work, findings, and specific products of the project have had an impact during this reporting period.

See the <u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u> for details of how to fill this form out.

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Figure 157: The E. Impact section of the RPPR

F. Changes

The RPPR Section F addresses Changes. Recipients are reminded that significant changes in objectives and scope require prior approval of the agency. This form is not required for Final or Interim RPPRs.

See the <u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u> for details of how to fill this form out.

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Figure 158: The F. Changes section of the RPPR

G. Special Reporting Req

The RPPR Section G Special Reporting Requirements address agency-specific award terms and conditions, as well as any award specific reporting requirements.

Note that the question regarding the SBIR/STTR Foreign Disclosure Form in G.1 appears only for SBIR/STTR awards and only after the award has undergone due diligence during the award process.

See the <u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u> for details of how to fill this form out.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Sections G.2, G.3, and G.13 are not applicable for DOC awards.

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Figure 159: The G. Special Reporting Requirements section of the RPPR

H. Budget

This form lets you add a budget to the RPPR. The Budget form is not required for Final or Interim RPPRs.

See the **<u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u>** for details of how to fill this form out.

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Figure 160: The H. Budget section of the RPPR

Budget Form (H.1)

To add a budget, choose an option from the drop-down list and click the **Add Budget** button. The added budget type appears in the first table. Use the **Edit** option under the three-dot ellipsis icon open the form for editing. Click the **Save** button before exiting the form. Most awards now use the SF424 R&R budget form. However, training awards may use the SF424 and/or the PHS 398 training budget. The *PHS Additional Indirect Costs* budget form is available as an optional form for the Overall component of a multi-

project award with multiple institutions/organizations. Please contact the Grants Management Specialist assigned to your grant if you have questions on the appropriate form to use.

Budget types include:

- SF 424 Research & Related Budget form
- PHS 398 Training Budget
- PHS Additional Indirect Costs form

NOTE: You can delete a budget that you added by clicking its three-dot ellipsis icon and selecting **Delete**.

Subaward Budget Form (H.2)

To add a subaward budget, choose an option from the drop-down list and click the **Add Subaward Budget** button. The added budget type appears in the second table. Use the **Edit** option under the three-dot ellipsis icon to open the form for editing. Click the **Save** button before exiting the form.

Subaward budget types include:

- SF 424 Research & Related Subaward Budget form
- PHS 398 Subaward Training Budget

NOTE: You can delete a budget that you added by clicking its three-dot ellipsis icon and selecting **Delete**.

Click here to display an image of the RPPR *H.Budget* screen.

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For training awards, grantees should select the applicable RPPR budget type (e.g., SF424 (R&R) or PHS 398 Training Budget) from the drop down menu. For a small number of NIH training awards the grantee is required to submit both the SF424 (R&R) and PHS 398 Training Budget; the RPPR will accommodate this.
If completing the SF424 (R&R), follow the instructions in the SF424 (R&R) Application Guide for NIH and Other PHS Agencies, Section I, 4.7 R&R Budget Component, sections A-K. The budget justification should be uploaded as item K, and must include detailed justification for those line items and amounts that represent a significant change from previously recommended levels (e.g., total rebudgeting greater than 25 percent of the total award amount for this budget period).
If completing the PHS 398 Training Budget, follow the instructions in the SF424 (R&R) Application Guide for NIH and Other PHS Agencies, Section I, 8.5 PHS 398 Training Budget Component, items A-F. The budget justification should be uploaded as item F, and must include detailed justification for those line items and amounts that represent a significant change from previously recommended levels (e.g., total rebudgeting greater than 25 percent of the total award amount for this budget period).
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For awards with subaward/consortium budgets, the grantee may select up to 30 subaward budgets. To complete a detailed budget for a subaward/consortium, follow the SF424 (R&R) Application Guide for NIH and Other PHS Agencies, Section I, 4.8 Special Instructions for Preparing Applications with a Subaward/Consortium or 8.6 PHS 398 Training Subaward Budget Attachment(s) Form. Select a budget to add from the dropdown list:
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Figure 161: The H. Budget section of the RPPR with the Select a budget type dropdown and Add Subaward Budget button outlined in red

If subaward budgets are completed, the system will not calculate the budget line item F.5 for the main budget (click to view figure). Total consortium costs for the main budget MUST be computed and entered manually into budget line item F.5.

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Figure 162: The F. Other Direct Costs popup with the Subawards/Consortium/Contractual Costs field outlined in red

Unique Entity Identifier

For single component RPPRs, the grantee's unique entity identifier (UEI) and organization name automatically populate the **Unique Entity Identifier** and **Organization Name** fields of the budget form. For single component RPPRs, these fields cannot be edited.

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Figure 163: The SF424 Research & Related Budget UEI and Organization Name fields

For multi-component RPPRs, the **Unique Entity Identifier** and **Organization Name** fields are prepopulated based on the overall component, but can be changed, as described below.

Changing the UEI or the Organization Associated With A Component Budget

1. Go to the *Budget* section of a component project's RPPR and select the **Edit** option from a budget's three-dot ellipsis menu to open it for editing.

The budget appears, with editable UEI and organization name fields. These fields are not editable if you are working on a single-component RPPR.

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Figure 164: The SF424 Research & Related Budget UEI and Organization Name fields while editable

2. Click either one of the magnifying glass icons--next to the **Unique Entity Iden-tifier (UEI)** or **Organization Name** fields.

The Search Organization popup appears.

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Figure 165: The Search Organization popup available from the SF424 Research & Related Budget form, where you can search for UEI and Organization Name

3. Enter information in either field (**Unique Entity Identifier** or **Organization Name**) and click **Search**.

A list of matches appears.

NOTE: If no matches appear, you can click the **Add New Organization** button to type the UEI and organization name and click **Save**. Whatever you entered will then populate the **Unique Entity Identifier** and **Organization Name** fields. It is required that both fields be populated.

4. Select the organization you are searching for and click **Save**.

Both the **Unique Entity Identifier** and **Organization Name** fields are updated with the information of the organization you selected.

SF 424 Research and Related Budget

For assistance with the information required on the forms, please refer to the Application Guide. On the <u>How to Apply - Application Guide</u> page, navigate to the desired **Applic-ation Form Instructions** and then navigate to the **R&R Budget Form** topic.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). The How to Apply - Application Guide does not apply to DOC awards; however the SF 424 Research and Related Budget form is required for DOC awards.

Sample SF424 Research & Related Budget form:

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SF 424 Research and Related Sub Award Budget

For assistance with the information required on the forms, please refer to the Application Guide. On the <u>How to Apply - Application Guide</u> page, navigate to the desired **Applic-ation Form Instructions** and then navigate to the **R&R Subaward Budget** topic.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). The How to Apply - Application Guide does not apply to DOC awards; however the SF 424 Research and Related Subaward Budget form may be required for DOC awards.

Sample SF424 Research & Related Subaward Budget form:

OMB Number: 092	5-0001								*Required field
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030303030			Q	1					
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COUNTY OF DUI	(ES		Q	07/01/2022					
Budget Type				End Date					
Subaward/Conso	rtium			06/30/2023					
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D. Other Deve									
 B. Other Person 	nel								
			Person Months						
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* Number of Personnel	* Project Role	(Number between 0.0 and 12.0)	(Number between 0.0 and 9.0)	between 0.0 and 3.0)		uested ary		ringe nefits	Funds Requested
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	Graduate Students	0.0	0.0	0.0	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00
	Undergraduate Students	0.0	0.0	0.0	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00
	Secretarial/Clerical	0.0	0.0	0.0	\$	0.00	\$	0.00	0.00
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PHS 398 Training Budget

For assistance with the information required on the forms, please refer to the Application Guide. On the <u>How to Apply - Application Guide</u> page, navigate to the desired **Applic-ation Form Instructions** and then navigate to the **PHS Training Budget** topic.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). This form is not applicable to DOC awards.

PHS 398 Training SubAward

For assistance with the information required on the forms, please refer to the Application Guide. On the <u>How to Apply - Application Guide</u> page, navigate to the desired **Applic-ation Form Instructions** and then navigate to the **PHS 398 Training Subaward Budget** topic.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). This form is not applicable to DOC awards.

I. Outcomes

This form is used to provide information regarding the cumulative outcomes or findings of the project. This form is applicable only to Final RPPRs.

See the **<u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u>** for details of how to fill this form out.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). This form is not applicable to DOC awards.

PR	Grant List	Rppr Menu	A Cover Page	B Accomplishments	C Products	D Participants	E Impact	G Special Reporting Req	l Outcom
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Figure 166: The I. Outcomes section of the RPPR

J. Misc. Documents

This form lets you upload up to 25 files with sizes of up to 6MB each to be submitted with your RPPR.

Agency-Specific Instructions: This form appears for Department of Commerce (DOC) awards only.

RPPR	Grant List	Rppr Menu	PD/PI Assurance Report	A Cover Page	B Accomplishments	C Products	D Participants	E Impact	G Special Reporting Req	I Outcomes	J. Misc. Documents
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Figure 167: The J. Misc. Documents section of the RPPR, available for Department of Commerce awards only

Accessing the RPPR for Editing

Once an RPPR is initiated, its status becomes *PD/PI Work in Progress* and it becomes available for editing for the PI who initiated it. The PD/PI or delegate uses the **Edit** option for viewing and completing the report. If the RPPR is routed by the PI to another user (such as an SO or AO), then that user becomes the current reviewer and can edit the RPPR.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). For DOC award RPPRs, see this topic for information on accessing an RPPR: *Accessing a Work-in-Progress DOC RPPR* on page 525.

NOTE: For RPPRs with multiple PD/PIs (MPI awards), only the Contact PD/PI has access to **Edit** unless the Contact PD/PI has granted progress report authority to other PD/PIs. Without this authority, MPIs can only view the RPPR PDF and its routing history.

There are two means of accessing the progress report for editing. These are similar methods used for initiating the report and are as follows:

- 1. Access **RPPR** from the Status module.
 - a. Navigate to the Status module in eRA Commons.
 - b. Click the List of Applications/Grants link from the Status screen or from the

menu options.

Status: PI Search
The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA Service Desk .
The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.
Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official
List of Applications/Awards
 Funded Awards Successfully submitted applications, both paper and electronic Review assignment status, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award Other Commons features (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num
Enter the Grants.gov Tracking Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application Tracking Number Search

c. From the Status Result - List of Applications/Grants screen, locate the grant and click the **RPPR** link from the **Action** column for the specific grant. For multi-year funded awards, the link displays as **RPPR Year <X>**, the <X> representing the reporting year.

• P30AG010101	16	07/01/1997 - 06/30/2025 (F Period)		DW, HATFI (PD/P) C	Center on A	lging (Title)		Pending	
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Propos	al Title	PD/PI Name	eSubr Status	mission s	Current Application Status	Stat		vailable tions
5P30AG010101-30			on Aging	Dow, hat (PI)	1		Pending	06/2	6/2023	RPPR Human Subjects
Status Result -	General		ts				*		< 1 of 4	40 ~
Application/Award IE		ants.gov acking # 🌲	Proposal Tit	PD/PI tle 🗘 Name		pplication tatus 🖨	Project Period Start 🗸	Project Period End \$	Budget Period Start \$	Budge Period End 🖨
1R03CA010101-01		RANT05050505	Sonic Hedge	ehog Zacil,	C	ending council eview	04/01/20 23	03/31/20 25	04/01/20 23	03/31/2 24

-OR-

- 1. Access RPPR from **RPPR** module.
 - a. Navigate to the **RPPR** modue in eRA Commons.
 - b. Select the specific grant by clicking the link in the **Award Number** column on the *Manage RPPR* screen. SOs/AOs must perform a query first.

PPR Grant List					
Manage RPPR	0				
* indicates GS Number.					
Applications/A	Awards 🛈				
Filter Table	4 Results				▲ 🔳 < 1 of 1 🗸 >
Award Number ≑	PD/PI Name 🌲	Project Title 🌻	Due Date 🚽	Status ≑	Current Reviewer ≑
5R01CA100000-05	BROWN, JAN	Glioblastoma	12/15/2 021 🛕	PD/PI Work in Progress	BROWN, JAN

The appropriate *RPPR Menu* screen – either for single-project or multi-project RPPRs – displays with editing options.

Access Human Subjects System (HSS)

Principal investigators (PIs) or signing officials (SOs) can access the Human Subjects System (HSS) / HSCT form using the **Human Subjects** links in either the RPPR or the Status screen in eRA Commons.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). This topic does not apply to DOC award RPPRs.

Human Subjects Information May Need To Be Updated in the Following Scenarios:

- Post-award for updates to the Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR), including updates to inclusion enrollment reports and the Clinical Trial Milestone Plan (Section 6)
- Pre-award (post review) for Just-in-Time (JIT) information or correction of human subjects data
- Off-cycle updates as required in the Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA) or terms and conditions of award
- Corrections to human subject data

To Edit an Existing Study, Log Into Era Commons and Access the Human Subjects Link via the RPPR or Status Tabs

For more detailed instructions, see Editing Studies in the HSS Online Help.

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5P30AG010101-30		Center on Aging	DOW, HATFI (PI)		Pending	06/26/2023	RPPR Human Subjects

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1P01AI010101-01	GRANT17171717	HIV	Smill, Daviche	Awarded. Non-fellow- ships only	04/01/20 22	03/31/20 27	04/01/20 22	03/31/20 23
1R01AG070707-01 (MPI)	Human Subjects View Prior eSubmis	ie 's	Risactan, Robon	Awarded. Non-fellow- ships only	09/30/20 21	08/31/20 24	09/30/20 21	08/31/20 24

- The Application Information screen is displayed, showing a summary of your grant. You have two ways of accessing and editing the study data. Both begin by accessing the HSCT Post Submission tab.
- Click the HSCT Post Submission tab. This takes you to a Study Record(s) screen where all study records and delayed onset studies associated with your grant are displayed.
- **Note:** In order to edit, the HSS record must be in Work in Progress status. See How To Change the Application Status and Resubmit for instructions on updating the

status.

	<u>Home</u> > <u>Search for Applications</u> > Applications	ion Information	
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UPDATE SUBMISSION STATUS	Summary HSCT Post Submission		
	💭 Application Inform	ation	
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	Grant Number: Application Identifier: Application Project Title:	R01HG123456 99999 (Post Award Action) Design and analysis of human gene mapp	ping studies
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	Grant Number: Application Identifier: Application Project Title: PD/PI Name: Organization:	R01HG123456 99999 (Post Award Action) Design and analysis of human gene mapp Humperdink, Budge UNIVERSAL UNIVERSITY	ping studies

- Click a study record's **View** button to bring up a study in read-only mode.
- To update the human subjects information on a study, including inclusion enrollment data, click the **Edit** button at the top of the screen.



• Inclusion data is found at the end of Section 2.

SECTION 2 - STUDY POPULATIO	N CHARACTERISTICS
	2.1. Conditions or Focus of Study Action
Nothing found to display	
Add New Condition	
2.2. Eligibility Criteria	
Study participants will	be
	Characters Remaining: 14779
2.3. Age Limits	Minimum Age 65 Years V Maximum Age N/A (No limit) V
2.3.a. Inclusion of	Add Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment
Individuals Across the Lifespan	
2.4. Inclusion of Women and Minorities	Women_Minorities_C Replace Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment
2.5. Recruitment and Retention Plan	Recruitment_and_Re Replace Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment
2.6. Recruitment Status	Not yet recruiting
2.7. Study Timeline	Timeline.DRrev_14Nc Replace Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment
2.8. Enrollment of First Par	ticipant (SEE SECTION 6.3)
2.9. Inclusion Enrollment R	
Add New Inclusion Enro	
Enrollment L Entry # Type	Enrollment Location Action
266090 Foreign	Participants will be drawn from a Edit View sample of residents

- There are two ways to edit the existing Inclusion Enrollment Report (IER) data for Cumulative (Actual) counts:
 - 1. You can update the cells online in the existing report itself.
 - 2. Or you can download a spreadsheet template for entering participant-level data by clicking the 'Download Participant Level Data Template' button.
 - Fill the template out with data and then upload the spreadsheet by clicking the 'Upload Participant Level Data Attachment' button. This uploaded data will populate the cells in the report.

 You can click the 'Download Current Participant Level Data' button to download the file containing the data for your own records.

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Racial Categories	Female	Male	Unknown /Not Reported	Female	Male	Unknown /Not Reported	Female	Male	Unknown /Not Reported	
American Indian/Alaska Native	42	31	0	7	6	0	0	0	0	(
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	C
Black or African American	676	510	0	15	20	0	0	0	0	1221
White	3526	2663	0	300	214	0	0	0	0	(
More than One Race	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
Unknown or Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	(
Total	0	0	0	0	240	0	0	0	0	240
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NOTES:

- If you plan to upload the data, you must use the template by selecting the Download Participant Level Data Template. This will be a CSV file that can be updated with new totals.
- Once the new totals have been entered into the template and the file has been saved, use the **Upload Participant Level Data Attachment** button to upload the file which will update the Cumulative counts.
- Individual-level participant data on sex/gender, race, ethnicity and age at enrollment will be required in progress reports for competitive applications submitted for due dates on or after January 25, 2019 (See NIH Guide Notice NOT-OD-18-116). Since NIH will be piloting providing individual level data starting in June, we encourage you to get familiar with the template as we believe it will cut down on duplicate entry and save you time.

• For the Planned counts, the cells must be updated online in the report itself.

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			Ethnic Categories		
	Not Hispanic	or Latino	Hispanic o	or Latino	Total
Racial Categories	Female	Male	Female	Male	
American Indian/Alaska Native	42	31	7	6	0
Asian	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
Black or African American	676	510	15	10	1211
White	3526	2663	300	214	0
More than One Race	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	230	230

• The entire study can be previewed before submission by clicking the Preview Study button on the left navigational column under Actions.

Actions 🕖	
RETURN TO SUMMARY	
PREVIEW STUDY	
VALIDATE	
VIEW STATUS HISTORY	

If the PI is making changes:

- The PI can click the **Save and Release Lock** button to save the changes.
- The submission status changes to Work in Progress.
- PI changes status to *Ready for Submission*.

- Signing Official (SO) gets an email that the application is ready for submission.
- SO logs into ASSIST, finds the application and submits it.

If the SO is making changes:

- The SO can click the **Save and Keep Lock** button to save the changes.
- The submission status changes to *Work in Progress*.
- SO changes status to *Ready for Submission*.
- The *Submit* action becomes active on the Application Information page.
- SO clicks on the **Submit** button

Unless an SO has delegated Submit authority to the contact PI, only the SO can submit the application to NIH. The submission sends all updated study records associated with the application to NIH at one time.

Program officials and grant specialists are notified automatically of study changes and can review those changes. Some changes may require prior approval.

Accessing Single-Project RPPR for Editing

For single-project awards, the RPPR Menu screen displays as follows:

NOTE: Once an RPPR has been routed for review, the **Recall** button is enabled. Recall is covered in other topics.

RPPR Grant List				
RPPR Me	nu 🕜			
RPPR				
Award Number 5R01CA200000-0		ncipal Investigator(PI) Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer BROWN, JAN	Status PD/PI Work in Progress
Institution UNIVERSITY OF C	 ✓ Edit RPPR ▲ Check for Errors ☑ View RPPR as PDF 	Project Title Glioblastoma		
	 ⑦ View Routing History → Route to Next Reviewer Submit 			Sancel

Click the three-dot ellipsis icon and select **Edit RPPR** to open the RPPR for editing.

Refer to *Editing the RPPR Forms* on page 331 for more information on editing the forms.

Accessing a Multi-Project or Single-Project with Complicated Structure RPPR for Editing

A *multi-project RPPR* is a progress report submitted for a funded program (activity code) which has multiple, interrelated components sharing a common focus or objective.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). This topic does not apply to DOC award RPPRs.

A *component* (for the purposes of applications and progress reports) is a distinct, reviewable part of the multi-project application or progress report for which there is a business need to gather detailed information identified in the funding opportunity announcement (FOA).

Components typically include general information (component organization, project periods, project title, etc.), performance sites, personnel, and budget. The FOA defines the construction and naming convention for the application; the funded application defines the construction and naming convention for the progress report.

When you access the RPPR for a multi-project award, you can select awarded components rather than manually adding them.

For multi-project awards, the *RPPR Menu* screen displays the following screen:

RPPR Men	-						
Overall RPPF Award Number 5P30AG010000-28	Program		ncipal Investigato	or(PI)	Due Date 05/01/2022	Current Reviewer Dow, Hatfield	Status PD/PI Work in Progress
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CAL	☑ Edit RPPR ▲ Check for I	Errors			Project Title Center on Aging		
Has Components	් View RPPR ව View Routi						+ Add Component -
Filter Table	Route to N	5 ,				*	New Component
ID 🔺		Date 🛊	Туре ≑	Title	÷		Existing App. Componen
Admin Core-5207		02/02/2022	Admin Core	Core C	i		
Core-5201	ľ	Edit RPPR	Core	Core A	. Administrative and Re	esearch Support	
Core-5202	Û	Delete	Core	Core E	. Program Developmer	nt (Pilot)	
Core-5203	A	Check for Errors	Core	Core C	. External Innovative N	etwork Core	
Core-5204		02/02/2022	Core	Core E). External Research Res	sources Support and Dissemin	ation

Overall RPPR

Below the **Overall RPPR** is a table of components that belong to the Overall component.

The *RPPR Menu* for a multi-project RPPR without components does not include the component table. Additionally, the **No** radio button on the **Has components?** field is selected and disabled.

To edit the RPPR for the Overall component, click the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** for Overall and select **Edit RPPR**.

Adding Individual Components

If the award has individual components (e.g., a multi-project award), *each* component must be reported in the RPPR. To add components if none are displayed, select the **Yes** radio button next to the question **Has components?**

NOTE: Any individual components previously added will already be displayed in a table. In this scenario, the **Has components?** option is disabled. This includes components which were part of a previously submitted progress report for the grant.

There are two ways to add a component for multi-component grants: you can select components from a list of existing components, or add a new component manually. The list of components is pulled from the beginning of the segment award of the last completing application that was awarded, plus whatever was entered manually prior.

To add components from a list, click the **Add Component** button and select **Existing App. Component**.



1. Click the Select from existing App Components button.

ype 🌲	Title ≑
Core	Core D. External Research Resources Support and Dissemination
Core	Core C. External Innovative Network Core:
Core	Program Development (Pilot)
Core	Core A. Administrative and Research Support
	Cancel + Add Component
	ore ore ore

A popup window appears.

2. Select the component you want to add and click the **Add Component** button.

Components you add appear in the table of components.

3. To edit the RPPR of the component you added, click its three-dot ellipsis icon and select **Edit RPPR**.

To add an individual component manually, click the **Add Component** button and select **New Component**.

Add New Component		×
Component Project Title *		
Component Project Type *		
Select Component Type		~
	Cancel	+ Add Component

- 1. Enter the **Component Project Title**.
- 2. Select the correct option from the **Component Project Type** drop-down list.
- 3. Click the **Add Component** button.

Components you add appear in the table of components.

4. To edit the RPPR of the component you added, click its three-dot ellipsis icon and select **Edit RPPR**.

Refer to *Editing the RPPR Forms* on page 331 for more information on editing the RPPR forms.

To remove a component from the table of components:

1. For the component you want to remove, click its three-dot ellipsis icon and select

Delete.

You can delete added components, but you cannot delete the Overall component.

IMPORTANT: If you choose to delete a component, all data related to this component – including all budget data – will be lost. *This data cannot be recovered once it has been deleted*.

To check for RPPR errors on either the Overall component or an individual component, click its three-dot ellipsis icon and select **Check for Errors**. Errors will be displayed at the top of the screen.

Routing the RPPR

NOTE: If you are looking for help routing PRAM, see <u>Routing PRAM</u>. A person who is *delegated* a role of ASST <u>cannot</u> route an RPPR to the next reviewer.

Progress reports in *Work in Progress (WIP*) status can be routed to others for review or corrections by the current reviewer of the report. The routing feature is found on the *RPPR Menu* screen.

To route an RPPR to the next reviewer:

1. On the RPPR Menu screen, click the three-dot ellipsis icon and select Route to

Next Reviewer.

RPPR Mer	าน 🕜				
RPPR					
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05	Program Director(PD)/P BROWN, JAN	rincipal Investigator(PI)	Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer BROWN, JAN	Status Reviewer Work in
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	 ✔ Edit RPPR ▲ Check for Errors ☑ View RPPR as PDF 		Project Title Glioblastoma		Progress
	View Routing History Route to Next Reviewer Submit				Sancel

NOTE: The figure above shows a single-project RPPR's *RPPR Menu*, however, multi-project RPPRs have a similar **Route** option on their own *RPPR Menu* screen.

The *Route RPPR to Next Reviewer* screen displays. On this screen, choose the next reviewer from a list of reviewers and add comments.

Route RPPR to Next Reviewer 😯	Х
Next Reviewer: BAUM, ANN [SO]	
Comments:	
Ready for Review	
I certify that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. As PD/PI, I agree to accept responsibility for the scientific conduct of the project and to provide the required progress reports if a grant is awarded as a result of this submission.	
Close Route to Next Review	/er

- 2. Select a reviewer from the **Next Reviewer** dropdown.
- 3. *Optional*: Enter comments in the **Comments** box to provide information to the next reviewer.
- Required for PD/PI ONLY: Click the checkbox that certifies statements are true. Signing officials do not see the "I certify that the statements herein are true..." checkbox.
- 5. Click the **Route to Next Reviewer** button.

A success message appears in the *Route to Next Reviewer* popup, stating, *The RPPR was successfully routed to [REVIEWER NAME]*. Click the **Close** link in the success message and the RPPR Menu displays once again.

The person who routed the RPPR can no longer edit the report (the **Edit RPPR** option disappears from the three-dot ellipsis menu). Editing is now available only to the new reviewer. The RPPR status is updated to *Reviewer Work in Progress*.

RPPR Routing History

From initiation to submission to the agency, the routing of an RPPR is captured for auditing purposes. PD/PIs, PD/PI delegates, and reviewers can view the routing history for *Work in Progress* or *Submitted to Agency* RPPRs at any time, even when not they are not the current reviewer.

To view the routing history:

 On the *RPPR Menu* screen, click the three-dot ellipsis icon and select View Routing History.

RPPR Mer	าน 🕜				
RPPR					
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05		rincipal Investigator(PI)	Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	 ✔ Edit RPPR ▲ Check for Errors ▲ View RPPR as PDF 		Project Title Glioblastoma		Progress
	 ♥ View Routing History ➡ Route to Next Reviewer Submit 				the Cancel

The *RPPR Routing History* screen displays.

Filter Table	6	Results				▲ 🔳 < 1 of 1 🗸
Event Number ≑	Reviewer Name ≑	Action Taken 🖨	Date of Action 🚽	Notification Sent ≑	Next Reviewer Name 🌲	Comments ≑
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3	Baum, Ann	Route	01-29-2022 03:33:26	01-29-2022 03:33:26	BROWN, JAN	Reviewed
2	BROWN, JAN	Route	01-29-2022 03:29:48	01-29-2022 03:29:48	Baum, Ann	Ready for Review
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2. To close the screen, click the **Close** link.

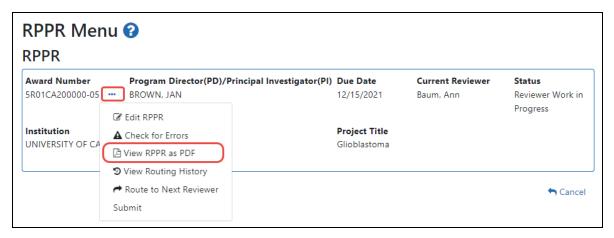
Link to routeHistory_generic.htm

Viewing the RPPR as PDF

Grantees are **strongly** encouraged to view the RPPR as a PDF prior to submission to ensure that the correct information and attachments are provided.

PD/PIs, PD/PI delegates, and reviewers can view a PDF version of an RPPR in *Work in Progress (WIP)* or *Submitted to Agency* status to see how it will be seen by the agency. Until the RPPR is submitted to the agency, the PDF report shows a status of *Draft* and a blank submission date.

To view the RPPR form: On the RPPR Menu screen, click the three-dot ellipsis icon and select **View RPPR as PDF**.



Submitting RPPR to Agency

Grantees are strongly encouraged to view the RPPR as a PDF prior to submission to ensure that the correct information and attachments are provided. Refer to *Viewing the RPPR as PDF* on page 385.

Completed and validated RPPRs in a status of *Work in Progress* can be submitted to the agency for acceptance. The signing official (SO) can submit when the SO is the current reviewer of the report; current reviewers are set by routing, as described in *Routing the RPPR* on page 382. For SNAP awards only, PD/PIs may also submit the report if they have been delegated submit authority by the SO. Delegation of RPPR privileges is not allowed on Department of Commerce (DOC) awards.

NOTE: A PD/PI with *Progress Report* authority cannot submit a non-SNAP or F RPPR.

To submit the RPPR to agency:

1. Click the three-dot ellipsis menu for an RPPR and select **Submit**.

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RPPR				
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(P BROWN, JAN	PI) Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	 ☑ Edit RPPR ▲ Check for Errors ☑ View RPPR as PDF 	Project Title Glioblastoma		Progress
	 ♥ View Routing History ➡ Route to Next Reviewer Submit 			Sancel

can do this from the RPPR Menu, Interim RPPR Menu, or Final RPPR Menu screens.

The Submit RPPR screen displays a certification statement.

In submitting this Progress Report, the SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority), certifies that the awardee organization is in compliance with the terms and conditions specified in the Notice of Award and Awards Policy Statement, and verifies the accuracy and validity of all administrative, fiscal, and scientific information in the progress report. The SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority) further certifies that the awardee organization will be accountable for the appropriate use of any funds awarded and for the performance of the award-supported project or activities resulting from the progress report. Deliberate withholding, falsification, or misrepresentation of information could result in administrative actions such as withdrawal of a progress report, suspension and/or termination of an award, debarment of individuals, as well as possible criminal penalties. The awardee institution may be liable for the reimbursement of funds associated with any inappropriate or fraudulent conduct of the project activity. 2. Click the **I Agree** button to sign off on certification.

The RPPR is validated for system and business rules. If there are any validation failures, they are indicated by error messages on the *RPPR Menu* screen. Errors must be corrected in order to submit the RPPR.

If warnings exist, they are displayed on the *RPPR Menu* screen. Although the RPPR can be submitted with warnings present, the warning messages should be reviewed to determine if an issue should be addressed.

3. *If Warnings Exist*: To address issues associated with warnings, click the **Cancel** button, correct the issue, and resubmit the RPPR again. To continue with submission despite the warnings, click the **OK** button.

If all validations pass, the *RPPR Menu* screen displays the following message: The RPPR has been successfully submitted to PHS.

The current reviewer is updated to the awarding agency, the RPPR status is updated to *Submitted to Agency*, and the RPPR Submission date is recorded. The routing history is updated to reflect the submission to the agency.

Any citations associated with the RPPR in **C.1. Publications** are officially associated with the award in MyNCBI.

If inclusion enrollment data are reported in the RPPR, this information will be provided in a structured data form and updated into the eRA inclusion data system for NIH staff review and acceptance. The data then becomes the data of record for the particular grant year.

When an RPPR is submitted to the agency, email notification is sent to the PD/PI (Contact PI) on the grant and the SO and AO assigned to the RPPR.

Submission Errors & Warnings for Multi-Project RPPRs

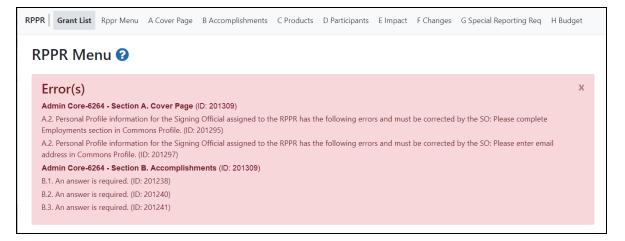
Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Multi-project RPPRs are not applicable for DOC awards.

Upon submission, multi-project RPPRs are validated for system and business rules just as are single-project RPPRs. However, for multi-projects, the errors and warnings are displayed differently. When errors and/or warnings are found on multi-project RPPRs, the *RPPR Menu* screen displays the Overall messages followed by the messages of the other components.

All errors must be corrected in order to submit the RPPR.

If warnings exist, they are displayed on the *RPPR Menu* screen under the errors. Although the RPPR can be submitted with warnings present, the warning messages should be reviewed to determine if an issue should be addressed.

Click here to view a sample of possible error messages.



Recalling the RPPR

RPPRs that have been routed to a reviewer can be recalled by the person who performed the routing action. This is useful in situations when the report was routed to the wrong person or the reviewer is unavailable. The last reviewer of the report is able to recall it; however, signing officials at the institution and the Contact PD/PI who are not the last reviewer can also recall the report when it is in a status of *Reviewer Work in Progress*.

NOTE: A person who has been **delegated** the PD/PI role does not have the ability to recall the RPPR.

To recall an RPPR, on the *RPPR Menu* screen, click the three-dot ellipsis icon and select **Recall**.

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RPPR				
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05 Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(F BROWN, JAN Check for Errors View RPPR as PDF View Routing History	 Due Date 12/15/2021 Project Title Glioblastoma 	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in Progress
	Recall			🕇 Cancel

A message displays on the screen indicating: The RPPR has been successfully recalled. You have been set as the Current RPPR Reviewer.

The status of the RPPR is updated to *PD/PI Work in Progress* or *Reviewer Work in Progress*, the reviewer from whom the RPPR is recalled receives an email about this action, and the RPPR routing audit history is updated to reflect the action.

Additionally, the **Edit RPPR** and **Route to Next Reviewer** options appear under the three-dot ellipsis menu, providing the new reviewer with the ability to continue editing the RPPR or to route it to another reviewer.

Overview of the Interim RPPR

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Interim RPPRs are not applicable for DOC awards. Only Semi-Annual and Final RPPRs are applicable for DOC awards.

As of January 1, 2017, a Final Research Performance Progress Report (Final RPPR) is required for any grant that has ended and any grant that is not to be extended through award of a new competitive segment. The report is due within 120 days of the end of the project period. This report should be prepared in accordance with instructions provided by the awarding component. See <u>NIH Implementation of Final Research Performance</u> <u>Progress Reports (Final RPPR)</u> — Guide Notice NOT-OD-17-022.

Effective February 9, 2017, if the recipient organization has submitted a renewal application on or before the date by which a Final Research Performance Progress Report would be required for the current competitive segment, then submission of an *Interim RPPR* via eRA Commons is required. The Interim RPPR (IRPPR) will be used for the submission of a Competing Renewal application (Type 2). See <u>NIH Implementation of the</u> <u>Interim RPPR while a Renewal Application is Under Consideration</u> — (Guide Notice NOT-OD-17-037).

Both the Interim RPPR and the Final RPPR are identical in process and information required. The difference between them is when and where they are made available to initiate and submit. The **Interim RPPR** link is available to the signing official (SO) and principal investigator on the *Status* screen when a grant is eligible for submission for a Competing Renewal application.

The Final RPPR is only available as part of the Closeout process and the **Process Final RPPR** link only appears on the <u>Closeout Status</u> screen.

NOTE: If a system check by the agency does not detect that there is a pending Type 5 renewal application associated with the award when the grant goes into a Closeout Module, any Interim RPPR that has been started will be converted to a Final RPPR and will be accessible through the *Closeout* link in the **Status** column.

The format of the Interim RPPR, the Final RPPR, and the annual RPPR are the same, making it easier for grantees to navigate and complete them.

Differences between Interim/Final RPPR and the annual RPPR are:

- In the Interim/Final RPPR, only *D.1* is required in the *Participants* section
- Sections F: Changes and Section H: Budget are not part of the Interim/Final RPPR
- Section I: Outcomes is required for both the Interim/Final RPPR

Since a renewal application is competitive, there is no guarantee it will be funded. Therefore the following scenarios should be noted:

Competing Renewal Application Status	Action	
Not submitting a Competing Renewal application	Submit a Final RPPR no later than 120 days from the project period end date	

Competing Renewal Application Status	Action		
Submitting a Competing Renewal applic- ation	Submit an Interim RPPR no later than 120 days from the project period end date		
	Funded	Not Funded	
	The Interim RPPR is accepted as the annual RPPR	The Interim RPPR is accepted as the Final RPPR	

https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-17-022.html

https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-17-037.html

Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ)

All Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) grantees are required to use the eRA Commons RPPR module.

The RPPR includes numerous references to the NIH Grants Policy Statement, 8.1.2 requirement that significant changes in objectives and scope require prior approval of the agency; for AHRQ awardees the analogous requirement is in the <u>HHS Grants Policy</u> <u>Statement</u> under "Prior Approval Requirements."

Department of Veterans Affairs

Progress reports (RPPRs) are required to continue support of a VA-ORD award for each budget year within a competitive segment. Interim reports are due when the project period is over and the award is not in Closeout (i.e., a renewal application is pending or has been selected for funding). If the pending renewal application is not funded, the Interim report becomes the Final report. Final reports are required for any funded award that has ended and will not be extended through renewal. Note: For VA awards the outcomes are not published. Guidance on completing report content specific to VA-ORD requirements, as well as navigating, validating, routing, and submitting the report to VA-ORD for review and approval can be found at: https://www.re-

search.va.gov/resources/RPPR.cfm. It is important to review the VA-ORD instructions as there are sections where specific VA-ORD information is requested that differs from that noted within the NIH progress report template:

https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-17-022.html

https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-17-037.html

Submitting Your Interim RPPR

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Interim RPPRs are not applicable for DOC awards. Only Semi-Annual and Final RPPRs are applicable for DOC awards.

To submit your Interim RPPR:

1. Click the *Interim RPPR* link for the grant from *Status* search results.

The *Interim RPPR* link will appear for both the principal investigator (PI) and the signing official (SO) one day after the budget period end date and before the award moves to Closeout.

2. Clicking the Interim RPPR link opens the Interim RPPR Menu screen:

RPPR Grant List				
Interim RPP	R Menu 🕜			
RPPR				
Award Number	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI)	Due Date	Current Reviewer	Status
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Institution		Project Title		
UNIVERSITY OF DIEGO		Molecular Leukemogenesis		
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 Click the Initiate button to create the Interim RPPR. A message appears, saying "The RPPR has been successfully initiated" and a three-dot ellipsis icon appears next to the Award Number. Click the three-dot ellipsis icon to see a menu of available actions.

Interim RF RPPR	PPR Menu 😯			
Award Number 5R01CA100000-15	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI) ZHANN, DON	Due Date N/A	Current Reviewer ZHANN, DON	Status PD/PI Work in Progres
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	C Edit RPPR Check for Errors View RPPR as PDF	Project Title Molecular Let	ukemogenesis	
	 ➢ View Routing History ৵ Route to Next Reviewer Submit 			🕤 Canc

- 4. Select Edit RPPR from the three-dot ellipsis menu to start editing.
- 5. Complete each section as required. See <u>How to Do I Fill Out the RPPR Forms</u> for help completing each section.

Be sure to click **SAVE** when moving between sections or unsaved data may be lost.

In the *Final RPPR Menu* screen, there are several actions in the three-dot ellipsis menu that you can use to complete the Interim RPPR; see *RPPR Menu* on page 318.

Field-by-field guidance is available for completing the NIH, AHRQ, and VA Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs). Refer to the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide* (<u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf</u>) for completing Sections A-I of the RPPR. This guide does not apply to Department of Commerce (DOC) awards.

Interim Report Additional Materials (IRAM)

The awarding agency might issue the awardee a request for *Interim Report Additional Materials* (IRAM) following the submission of an Interim RPPR (research performance progress report). This type of request lets the awardee enter, review, and submit information in response to a specific request for additional information from the program official at the awarding agency.

Either the principal investigator (PI) or signing official (SO) (or their delegates) can upload files and provide a revised project outcome in response to an IRAM request. For a multi-PI project, the contact PI can respond to the IRAM. However, only a SO can submit the IRAM package to the agency.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Interim Report Additional Materials are not applicable for DOC awards.

About Revised Outcomes

For **Revised Outcome**, please review the instructions at the top of the IRAM screen as well as the following information.

To submit revised project outcomes, enter text in the Revised Outcome text box on the *Interim Progress Report Additional Materials (IRAM)* screen. The **Save** button at bottom of screen saves the text you enter.

Revised Outcome				
Please provide Revised Outcomes here. Note, text in this field will be publicly available in RePORTER.				
For NIH Section I.Outcomes will be made publicly available , thus allowing recipients to provide the				
general public with a concise summary of the cumulative outcomes or findings of the project at the end of a				
competitive segment. For NIH awards the length should not exceed half a page. In addition, for the interim or				
final RPPR the summary of outcomes or findings of the award must be written in the following format:				
 Is written for the general public in clear, concise, and comprehensible language; 				
 Is suitable for dissemination to the general public, as the information may be available electronically; 				
 Does not include proprietary, confidential information or trade secrets 				
Please refer to the following link for samples of acceptable project outcomes:				
https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/sample_project_outcomes_RPPR.htm				
New project outcome material.				
Characters: 29/2000				
Cancel Teview Save				

Figure 168: Revised Outcomes field of the Interim Request for Additional Materials screen in Status

Project outcomes provide information regarding the cumulative outcomes or findings of the project. Note that outcomes are made available to the general public once approved by the program official, allowing recipients to provide a concise summary with of the cumulative outcomes or findings of the project at the end of a competitive segment. The name of the PI will be attached to the public posting in <u>RePORTER</u>.

For NIH awards the length of the outcome statement should not exceed 2000 characters. In addition, the summary of outcomes or findings of the award must be written according to these guidelines:

- Is written for the general public in clear, concise, and comprehensible language
- Is suitable for dissemination to the general public, as the information may be available electronically
- Does not include proprietary, confidential information or trade secrets

Please refer to the following link for samples of acceptable project outcomes: <u>https://-grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/sample_project_outcomes_RPPR.htm</u> See NIH notices <u>NOT-OD-17-022</u> and <u>NOT-OD-17-037</u> for additional details on this requirement.

Accessing the IRAM Screen

You can access an IRAM by clicking an IRAM action in the Status module. The SO view and the PI view of the Status module are different.

SOs access the Status module, search for awards, click the three-dot ellipsis menu on an award, and select **IRAM**.

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5R35GM050505-04	R35GM050505-04				
5R35GM050505-03	IR	АМ			

Pls access the Status module, expand an awards section, and click the IRAM button in the Available Actions column.

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	5R35GM050505-05			Homeostatic Me	echanisms	5	06/07/2022	RPPR Inter	im RPPR

Using the IRAM Screen

The IRAM screen appears after you click an award's IRAM action. Prepare your response to the IRAM and save it in up to 10 PDF files that are each smaller than 6MB. If you have questions about what to include in your response, consult with your program official.

On the IRAM screen, you can:

- Drag or browse to files to upload using the "Drop files here to upload or browse" section. The files you upload are instantly saved to eRA Commons system, but are not available to the agency until they are submitted.
- Remove files by clicking the trash can icon
- Download/view files by clicking the download icon
- Enter up to 2000 characters as a revised outcome, using the guidelines that are provided onscreen and in this topic.
- Click the **Save** button to save the text entered into the Revised Outcome text box.
- Click the Preview button to preview the entire submission package. Clicking Preview downloads a file that has a summary page listing files uploaded and the uploader's name and time uploaded, followed by the new Revised Outcome and the contents of the uploaded files.
- Click **Delete** to delete the submission package
- Click Submit to submit the IRAM package to the awarding agency, where the PO can review it. Only SOs have a Submit button; PIs cannot submit IRAM to the agency.

Interim Progress Report Additional Materials (IRAM) 😯

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Grant Number: 5R35GM050505-05 PD/PI Name: Chan, Davi Institution: INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY Project Title: Homeostatic Mechanisms

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Uploaded By: Hiza, Eli	File Uploaded Date: 03/13/2024	Uploaded By: Chan, Davi	File Uploaded Date: 03/13/2024	

Revised Outcome

Please provide Revised Outcomes here. Note, text in this field will be publicly available in RePORTER.

For NIH Section I.Outcomes will be made publicly available, thus allowing recipients to provide the general public

with a concise summary of the cumulative outcomes or findings of the project at the end of a competitive segment. For NIH awards the length should not exceed half a page. In addition, for the interim or final RPPR the summary of outcomes or findings of the award must be written in the following format:

- · Is written for the general public in clear, concise, and comprehensible language;
- · Is suitable for dissemination to the general public, as the information may be available electronically;
- · Does not include proprietary, confidential information or trade secrets

Please refer to the following link for samples of acceptable project outcomes: https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/sample_project_outcomes_RPPR.htm

New project outcome material.	
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Closeout—Final Research Performance Progress Report for NIH Awards

Agency-Specific Instructions: NIH ONLY. The policy guidance in this topic applies to NIH only. See *Closeout—Final Research Performance Progress Report for NON-NIH Awards* on page 672 for Final RPPR guidance for awards that are NOT funded by NIH.

As of January 1, 2017, a Final Research Performance Progress Report (Final RPPR) is required for any grant that has ended and any grant that is not to be extended through award of a new competitive segment. The report is due within 120 days of the end of the project period. This report should be prepared in accordance with instructions provided by the awarding component. See <u>NIH Implementation of Final Research Performance</u> Progress Reports (Final RPPR) — Guide Notice NOT-OD-17-022.

Effective February 9, 2017, if the recipient organization has submitted a renewal application on or before the date by which a Final Research Performance Progress Report would be required for the current competitive segment, then submission of an *Interim RPPR* via eRA Commons is required. The Interim RPPR (IRPPR) will be used for the submission of a Competing Renewal application (Type 2). See <u>NIH Implementation of the</u> <u>Interim RPPR while a Renewal Application is Under Consideration</u> — (Guide Notice NOT-OD-17-037).

Both the Interim RPPR and the Final RPPR are identical in process and information required. The difference between them is when and where they are made available to initiate and submit. The **Interim RPPR** link is available to the signing official (SO) and principal investigator on the *Status* screen when a grant is eligible for submission for a Competing Renewal application.

The Final RPPR is only available as part of the Closeout process and the **Process Final RPPR** link only appears on the <u>Closeout Status</u> screen.

The format of the Interim RPPR, the Final RPPR, and the annual RPPR are the same, making it easier for grantees to navigate and complete them.

Differences between Interim/Final RPPR and the annual RPPR are:

- In the Interim/Final RPPR, only D.1 is required in the Participants section
- Sections F: Changes and Section H: Budget are not part of the Interim/Final RPPR
- Section I: Outcomes is required for both the Interim/Final RPPR

Note about Interim RPPR and Final RPPR

- The Interim RPPR (IRPPR) is used when you are submitting a Competing Renewal application (Type 2). If you opt NOT to apply for a Competing Renewal, complete the Final RPPR as you normally would within 120 days of the project end date. If you are going to complete a Competing Renewal application (or have already submitted such an application), you will submit an Interim RPPR. This must be submitted within 120 days of the project end date.
- If you are awarded the renewal, the Interim RPPR will be treated as your annual RPPR and no other progress reporting will be needed for that segment of the study. If the application is NOT awarded, then the Interim RPPR will be accepted as the Final RPPR.

Submit Your Final RPPR

- Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the Process Final RPPR button in Closeout Status.

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Project Period:		Closeout Status	:	Clo	seout Contact	Email:
10/01/2018 to 0	9/30/2023	Requires Closeo	ut	eRA	ATest@mail.nih.g	jov
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Figure 169: Closeout Status screen showing Process Final RPPR button, outlined

The RPPR Menu screen appears.

If the Final RPPR has already been initiated, then no **Initiate** button appears and you should skip the next step.

3. If an **Initiate** button appears on this screen, click the **Initiate** button to start the Final RPPR.

RPPR Menu RPPR	8			
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI) BROWN, JAN	Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer	Status Not Started
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CALIF	DRNIA	Project Title Glioblastoma		
			Sancel	Initiate

Figure 170: RPPR Menu screen, showing the Initiate button outlined

4. Click the **Initiate** button to create the Final RPPR. The Final RPPR Menu will then change, showing the option to Edit the Final RPPR under the thee-dot ellipsis menu:

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RPPR							
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05	Program Director(PD)/P BROWN, JAN	rincipal Investigator(PI)	Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in Progress		
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	Check for Errors View RPPR as PDF View Routing History		Project Title Glioblastoma				
	Route to Next Reviewer Submit				Sancel Sancel		

Figure 171: RPPR Menu screen after RPPR has been initiated, showing the three-dot ellipsis menu with the Edit RPPR action

5. Select Edit RPPR from the three-dot ellipsis menu, fill out the RPPR, and Submit it (only SOs can submit). For more details on filling out the RPPR, see *Editing the RPPR Forms* on page 331.

Field-by-field guidance is available for completing the NIH, AHRQ, and VA Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs). Refer to the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide* (https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf) for completing Sections A-I of the RPPR. This guide does not apply to Department of Commerce (DOC) awards.

Editing Inclusion Enrollment Data

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Editing Inclusion Enrollment Data is not applicable for DOC awards.

This topic discusses inclusion data in the Human Subjects System (HSS) as accessed and processed via your RPPR. For more information on HHS or accessing HSS via Commons, please refer to the <u>HSS Online Help</u>.

To update inclusion enrollment data, click the **Human Subjects** link from question **G.4.b** of section **G. Special Reporting Requirements**. For additional information on inclusion procedures in the RPPR, please review the section titled "Section G – Special Reporting Requirements" of the <u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u>. (http://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_ instruction_guide.pdf)

IMPORTANT: *Before clicking the Human Subjects link,* click the **Save** button on the RPPR to save all your work in **Section G**. Failure to do so will result in a loss of data on your report.

If you click the **Human Subjects** more than 60 days before the progress report due date, the following warning is displayed:

Based on the due date of this RPPR, inclusion data is not yet needed. If you proceed, access to the inclusion data via Commons/Status will be blocked. You cannot undo this action. Are you sure you want to proceed?

If you continue past this warning, it results in inclusion data being blocked for editing when accessed via Commons Status (**View** action only). In this event, you will see the following message when accessing via Status: RPPR has been initiated. Currently, the data is editable accessing via RPPR only.

The ability to edit Inclusion Enrollment Reports via the Commons Status module will be restored after the successful submission of the RPPR and until the award of the current year.

▼ G.4 Human Subjects
G.4.a Does the project involve O Yes O No human subjects?
G.4.b Inclusion Enrollment Data
Inclusion Enrollment Report
If inclusion enrollment reporting is required, download and complete the Cumulative Enrollment Report, and upload it in Section G.4.b. If inclusion enrollment reporting is not required, select "Nothing to Report."
Click here to download Cumulative Enrollment Report
Nothing to Report
(Maximum 15 files. Must be .pdf file. Maximum file size: 6 MB)
Le Drop files to attach, or browse.
OR
▼ G.4 Human Subjects
Please click on the Human Subjects link below to update the Human Subjects and Clinical Trials Information Form(s) for this project, including the inclusion enrollment report(s). Be sure to submit updates before submitting the RPPR <u>Click here</u> for complete instructions about this requirement.

The *Application Information* screen is displayed, showing a summary of your grant. Click the *Human Subjects Post Submission* tab. This will take you to a Study Record(s) screen where all study records and delayed onset studies associated with your grant are displayed.

Actions 🕜	 Hide Navigation 	 Show Help
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VIEW STATUS HISTORY UPDATE SUBMISSION STATUS	Summary HSCT Post Submission	ation
	Grant Number:	R01HG123456
	Grant Number: Application Identifier:	
	Application Identifier:	99999 (Post Award Action)
	Application Identifier: Application Project Title:	99999 (Post Award Action) Design and analysis of human gene mapping studies
	Application Identifier: Application Project Title: PD/PI Name:	99999 (Post Award Action) Design and analysis of human gene mapping studies Humperdink, Budge
	Application Identifier: Application Project Title: PD/PI Name: Organization:	99999 (Post Award Action) Design and analysis of human gene mapping studies Humperdink, Budge UNIVERSAL UNIVERSITY

Click the **View** button to bring up a study.



Next, you see that the existing study has an **Edit** button available and there are additional buttons to add regular or delayed onset studies.

Showing 1 - 1 of total 1 inical irial? Study Status Last Submission Date Action Yes WorkInProgress 03/29/2018 Edit View
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rial? Study Status Date Action
Yes WorkInProgress 03/29/2018
Yes WorkInProgress 03/29/2018 Edit View
Last Delete
tion Date save Attachment Attachment Action

Clicking the **Edit** button for the existing study will open the *Application Information* screen.

IMPORTANT: If the initial competitive segment was submitted on or after January 25, 2018 (i.e. a Forms E application) without a ClinicalTrials.gov Identifier (an NCT number), enter the appropriate NCT number in the field numbered 1.5.

Click the **Populate** button and the system will do a best effort copy of form data from the official Clinical Trials records.

SECTION 1 - BASIC INFORMATION				
* 1.1. Study Title (each study title must be unique)	TEST for Documentation 1			
* 1.2. Is this Study Exempt from Federal Regulations?	⊖Yes ●No			
1.3. Exemption Number		5 🗌 6 🗌 7 🗌 8		
* 1.4. Clinical Trial Questionnaire If the answers to all four questions belo	ow are yes, this study meets the	definition of a Clinical Trial.		
1.4.a. Does the study involve human participants?				
1.4.b. Are the participants prospectiv intervention?	1.4.b. Are the participants prospectively assigned to an intervention? • Yes • No			
	1.4.c. Is the study designed to evaluate the effect of the intervention on the participants?			
1.4.d. Is the effect that will be evalua related biomedical or behavior		● Yes ○ No		
1.5. Provide the ClinicalTrials.gov Identifi Click the Populate button to retrieve d				
NCT12345678 Populate				

Inclusion Enrollment Report

Standalone PHS Inclusion Enrollment Report forms are no longer used. Instead, data collection for up to 20 *Inclusion Enrollment Reports* has been folded into each *Study Record*. Click the link in *Section 2* of the *Study Record* screen to initiate the *Inclusion Enrollment Report*.

SECTION 2 - STUDY POPULATION	CHARACTERISTICS		•
	2.1. Conditions or Focus of Study	A	ction
Nothing found to display			
Add New Condition			
2.2. Eligibility Criteria			•
Study participants will be			
		Characters Remaining: 14	1779
2.3. Age Limits M	linimum Age 65 Years V	N/A (No limit) 🗸]
2.3.a. Inclusion of Individuals Across the Lifespan	Add Attachment Delo	ete Attachment View Attachment	
	Women_Minorities_C Replace Attachment	Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.5. Recruitment and Retention Plan	Recruitment_and_Re Replace Attachment	Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.6. Recruitment Status	Not yet recruiting		
2.7. Study Timeline	Timeline.DRrev_14Nc Replace Attachment	Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.8. Enrollment of First Partie			
2.9. Inclusion Enrollment Rep Add New Inclusion Enrolln			
Enrollment Loca			
Entry # Type	Enrollment Location	Action	
266090 Foreign	Participants will be drawn from a sample of residents	Edit View	

For each *Inclusion Enrollment Report*, applicants will need to indicate whether an existing dataset or resource will be used and whether the enrollment location type is domestic or foreign.

There are also a few optional fields in the report, including a text entry **Comments** section.

Summary	R&R Cover	Cover Page Supplement	Other Project Information	Sites	Sr/Key Person Profile	R&R Budget	Research Plan	Human Subjects and Clinical Trials
<u>Human Su</u>	bjects Summar	y > <u>Study Rec</u>	ord: 1 > Inclusi	on Enrollment	t Report: 1			
Inclusio	on Enrollm	ent Report	£ 1					
	-	ects and	Clinical Tri	ials Infori	mation 🕜			
* 1. Using Reso	an Existing D	ataset or	🔵 Yes 🔘 No					
* 2. Enrol	Iment Locatio	n Type	🔘 Domestic 🔘	Foreign				
3. Enrol	Iment Country	r(ies)	None selected	-				
4. Enrol	lment Locatio	n(s)	Enter up to 255	characters				
							Cha	aracters Remaining: 255
5. Comr	nents		Enter up to 500) characters				
							Cha	aracters Remaining: 500

Figure 172: Top part of the Inclusion Enrollment Report screen

Planned and *Cumulative* enrollment data collection has been separated into separate tables.

					Ethnic Ca	tegories				
	1	lot Hispani	c or Latino			Hispanic	or Latino		Tot	tal
Racial Categories	Fema	le	Ma	le	Fem	ale	Ma	le		
American Indian/Alaska Native		0		0		0		0		0
Asian		0		0		0		0		0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander		0		0		0		0		0
Black or African American		0		0		0		0		0
White		0		0		0		0		0
More than One Race		0		0		0		0		0
Total		0		0		0		0		0
	Not Hi	spanic or L	atino	Hisp	Ethnic Ca Danic or Lat	-	Unknown/N	lot Reporte	d Ethnicity	Total
Racial Categories	Female	Male	Unknown/ Not Reported	Female	Male	Unknown/ Not Reported	Female	Male	Unknown/ Not Reported	
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black or African American					0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	0	0	0						
	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
American White More than One						0	0	0	0	0

Figure 173: Bottom part of the Inclusion Enrollment Report screen

Editing Inclusion counts

Inclusion data is found at the end of Section 2.

SECTION 2 - STUDY POPULATION	CHARACTERISTICS	
	2.1. Conditions or Focus of Study	Action
Nothing found to display		
Add New Condition		
 2.2. Eligibility Criteria 		۱.
Study participants will b	e	
	Characters Remaining: 1	4779
2.3. Age Limits	Minimum Age 65 Years Maximum Age N/A (No limit)	•
2.3.a. Inclusion of Individuals Across the Lifespan	Add Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.4. Inclusion of Women and Minorities	Women_Minorities_C Replace Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.5. Recruitment and Retention Plan	Recruitment_and_Re Replace Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.6. Recruitment Status	Not yet recruiting	
2.7. Study Timeline	Timeline.DRrev_14No Replace Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.8. Enrollment of First Part		-
2.9. Inclusion Enrollment Re Add New Inclusion Enrol		
Enrollment Lo		
Entry # Type	Enrollment Location Action	
266090 Foreign	Participants will be drawn from a Edit View	

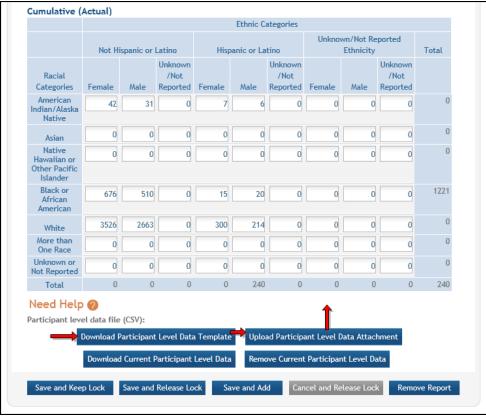
There are two ways to edit the existing Inclusion Enrollment Report (IER) data for Cumulative (Actual) counts:

- 1. You can update the cells online in the existing report itself.
- 2. You can download a template for entering participant-level data by clicking the **Download Participant Level Data Template** button.

This will download a spreadsheet file in the proper CSV format to be used by the system.

- Fill the template out with data, save the changes, and then upload the spreadsheet by clicking the Upload Participant Level Data Attachment button. This uploaded data will populate the cells in the report.
- You can click the **Download Current Participant Level Data** button to download the file containing the data for your own records.

If you need to clear the current records, use the **Remove Current Par**ticipant Level Data button.



NOTE:

If you plan to upload the data, you must use the template by clicking the **Download Par-ticipant Level Data Template** button. This is a CSV file that can be updated with new totals.

Once the new totals have been entered into the template and the file has been saved, click the **Upload Participant Level Data Attachment** button to upload the file which will update the Cumulative counts.

Individual-level participant data on sex/gender, race, ethnicity and age at enrollment will be required in progress reports for competitive applications submitted for due dates on or after January 25, 2019 (See NIH Guide Notice NOT-OD-18-116).

lanned										
	Ethnic Categories									
	Not Hispanic	or Latino	Hispanic o	or Latino	Total					
Racial Categories	Female	Male	Female	Male						
American ndian/Alaska Native	42	31	7	6	0					
Asian	0	0	0	0	0					
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0					
Black or African American	676	510	15	10	1211					
White	3526	2663	300	214	0					
More than One Race	0	0	0	0	0					
Total	0	0	0	230	230					

For the Planned counts, the cells must be updated online in the report itself.

The entire study can be previewed before submission by clicking the **Preview Study** button on the left navigational column under Actions.

Actions 🕜
RETURN TO SUMMARY
PREVIEW STUDY
VALIDATE
VIEW STATUS HISTORY

PI and SO Actions

If the PI is making changes:

- The PI can click the **Save and Release Lock** button to save the changes.
- The submission status changes to Work in Progress.

- PI changes status to Ready for Submission.
- SO logs into ASSIST, finds the application, and submits it.

If the SO is making changes:

- The SO can click the **Save and Keep Lock** button to save the changes.
- The submission status remains in *Work in Progress*.
- The SO must click the **Save and Release Lock** button to allow the application to have the status changed.
- SO changes status to *Ready for Submission*.
- The Submit action becomes active on the Application Information page.
- SO clicks on the **Submit** button

Only the SO can submit the application to NIH. The submission sends all updated study records associated with the application to NIH at one time.

Program officials and grant specialists are notified automatically of study changes and can review those changes. Some changes may require prior approval.

NOTE: If the application has been submitted and needs to be placed back into a work in progress status, refer to these instructions to perform this action; <u>https://www.era.ni-h.gov/erahelp/ASSIST/default.htm#ASSIST_Help_Topics/5_Preview_Print_Submit/Revise_Application.htm?Highlight=status</u>

Editing Studies

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Editing Inclusion Study Records is not applicable for DOC awards.

Below is information specific to editing inclusion study records. More comprehensive help is found in the <u>Human Subjects System (HSS) online help</u>.

To edit study information, the Principal Investigators (PIs) or Signing Officials (SOs) can access the HSCT form using the *Human Subjects* links in either the RPPR or through the *Status* screen in eRA Commons.

Human subjects information may need to be updated in the following scen-

arios:

- Post-award for updates to the Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR)
- Pre-award (post review) for just-in-time (JIT) information or correction of human subjects data
- Off-cycle updates as required in the Funding Opportunity Announcement or terms and conditions of award

To edit an existing study, log into eRA Commons and access the Human Subjects link via the RPPR or Status modules.

Status Result -	· List of /	Applications/A	PI View wards ? 4				
✓ P30AG010101	16	07/01/1997 - 06/30/2025 (Project Period)	DOW, HATFI (PD/PI)	Center on	Aging (Title)	Pending	
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title	PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
5P30AG010101-30		Center on Aging	DOW, HATFI (PI)		Pending	06/26/2023	RPPR Human Subjects

Status Result - Gene	ral Search 🛿	SO	View					
Filter Table	244 Results	5		_	*		1 of 10	~ >
Application/Award ID 🗘	Grants.gov Tracking # 🌲	Proposal Title 🌲	PD/PI Name ≑	Application Status 🌲	Project Period Start 👻	Project Period End \$	Budget Period Start 🖨	Budget Period End 🖨
1P01AI010101-01	GRANT17171717	HIV	Smill, Daviche	Awarded. Non-fellow- ships only	04/01/20 22	03/31/20 27	04/01/20 22	03/31/20 23
1R01AG070707-01 (MPI)	Human Subjects View Prior eSubmis	ie''s	Risactan, Robon	Awarded. Non-fellow- ships only	09/30/20 21	08/31/20 24	09/30/20 21	08/31/20 24

 The Application Information screen is displayed, showing a summary of your grant. Click the Human Subjects Post Submission tab. This will take you to a summary page Study Record(s) screen where all study records and delayed onset studies associated with your grant are displayed.

	Home > Search for Applications > Applicat	ion Information
Actions 🕐	• Hide Navigation Application Informati	Show Help On Ø
VIEW STATUS HISTORY UPDATE SUBMISSION STATUS	Summary Submission	
	Application Inform	ation
	Grant Number:	R01HG123456
	Application Identifier:	99999 (Post Award Action)
	Application Project Title:	Design and analysis of human gene mapping studies
	PD/PI Name:	Humperdink, Budge
	Organization:	UNIVERSAL UNIVERSITY
	Project Period:	04/01/2018 - 03/31/2023
	Status:	Work in Progress Submit
	Status Date:	2018-05-21 12:23:24.000 PM EDT

• Click the **View** button to bring up a study.

Actions ?	Home > Searc	<u>h for Applications</u> > Application Informatio	on			✓ Show Help
RETURN TO SUMMARY	Applic	ation Information 🥝				
VALIDATE VIEW STATUS HISTORY	Summary	HSCT Post Submission				
	Clinical	Trial Post Submission				
	Edit	l Trial Post Submission v1.0 (0			
	Study K				Showing	1 - 1 of total 1
	Study ID	Study Title	Clinical Trial?	Study Status	Last Submission Date	Action
	123123	Research Consortium of HPV-related Cervical Cancer	Yes	WorkInProgress	03/29/2018	View

• To update the human subjects information on that study, including inclusion enrollment data, click the **Edit** button at the top of the screen. • Inclusion data is found at the end of Section 2

SECTION 2 - STUDY POPULATIO	I CHARACTERISTICS	•
	2.1. Conditions or Focus of Study Action	
Nothing found to display		
Add New Condition		•
2.2. Eligibility Criteria		,
Study participants will	e	
	Characters Remaining: 14779	
2.3. Age Limits	Minimum Age 65 Years V Maximum Age N/A (No limit) V	
2.3.a. Inclusion of	Add Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
Individuals Across		
the Lifespan 2.4. Inclusion of Women		
and Minorities	Women_Minorities_C Replace Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.5. Recruitment and Retention Plan	Recruitment_and_Re Replace Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.6. Recruitment Status	Not yet recruiting	
2.7. Study Timeline	Timeline.DRrev_14Nc Replace Attachment Delete Attachment View Attachment	
2.8. Enrollment of First Par	icipant (SEE SECTION 6.3)	
2.9. Inclusion Enrollment R		
Add New Inclusion Enro		
Enrollment L Entry # Type	cation Enrollment Location Action	
266090 Foreign	Participants will be drawn from a Edit View sample of residents	

- There are two ways to edit the existing Inclusion Enrollment Report (IER) data for Cumulative (Actual) counts:
 - 1. You can update the cells online in the existing report itself.
 - 2. Or you can download a spreadsheet template for entering participant-level data by clicking the **Download Participant Level Data Template** button.
 - Fill the template out with data and then upload the spreadsheet by clicking the Upload Participant Level Data Attachment button. This uploaded data will populate the cells in the report.

You can click the **Download Current Participant Level Data** button to download the file containing the data for your own records.

		Ethnic Categories								
	Not Hi	spanic or l	Latino	Hisp	Hispanic or Latino		Unknown/Not Reported Ethnicity			Total
Racial Categories	Female	Male	Unknown /Not Reported	Female	Male	Unknown /Not Reported	Female	Male	Unknown /Not Reported	
American Indian/Alaska Native	42	31	0	7	6	0	0	0	0	0
Asian	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black or African American	676	510	0	15	20	0	0	0	0	1221
White	3526	2663	0	300	214	0	0	0	0	0
More than One Race	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unknown or Not Reported	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	0	240	0	0	0	0	240
Need Help Participant leve	el data file Download P	articipant				ad Participa				
	Download	Current F	Participant	Level Data	Remo	ove Current	Participan	t Level Da	ata	
Save and Kee	n Look	Sauce and	Release Lo	alt Sa	ve and Ad	d Can	cel and Re		Pomo	ve Report

- Notes:
 - If you plan to upload the data, you must use the template by selecting the Download Participant Level Data Template. This will be a CSV file that can be updated with new totals.
 - Once the new totals have been entered into the template and the file has been saved, use the **Upload Participant Level Data Attachment** button to upload the file which will update the Cumulative counts.
 - Individual-level participant data on sex/gender, race, ethnicity and age at enrollment will be required in progress reports for competitive applications submitted for due dates on or after January 25, 2019 (See NIH Guide Notice NOT-OD-18-116).

			Ethnic Categories		
	Not Hispanic	or Latino	Hispanic o	Total	
Racial Categories	Female	Male	Female	Male	
American Indian/Alaska Native	42	31	7	6	0
Asian	0	0	0	0	0
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0	0	0	0	0
Black or African American	676	510	15	10	1211
White	3526	2663	300	214	0
More than One Race	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0	0	0	230	230

• For the Planned counts, the cells must be updated online in the report itself.

• The entire study can be previewed before submission by clicking the **Preview Study** button on the left navigational column under Actions.



If the PI is making changes:

- The PI can click the **Save and Release Lock** button to save the changes.
- The submission status changes to *Work in Progress*.
- PI changes status to Ready for Submission.
- Signing Official (SO) gets an email that the application is ready for submission.
- SO logs into ASSIST, finds the application and submits it.

If the SO is making changes:

- The SO can click the **Save and Keep Lock** button to save the changes.
- The submission status changes to *Work in Progress*.
- SO changes status to *Ready for Submission*.
- The *Submit* action becomes active on the Application Information page.
- SO clicks on the **Submit** button

Only the SO can submit the application to NIH. The submission sends all updated study records associated with the application to NIH at one time.

Program officials and grant specialists are notified automatically of study changes and can review those changes. Some changes may require prior approval.

Changes to Planned Enrollment

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Editing Inclusion Enrollment Data is not applicable for DOC awards.

If there are changes from the planned enrollment originally approved for funding, contact the program officer to discuss updating/revising the planned enrollment. For more information, refer to review the section titled "Section G – Special Reporting Requirements" of the <u>RPPR Instruction Guide</u>. (http://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf)

Click the *Human Subjects* link in the **Action** column of the *Status Results* screen. This opens the *Application Screen*. Click the *HSCT Post Submission* tab and then the **View** button for the study requiring updates.

Actions 🕜	 Hide Navigation 		 Show Help
VALIDATE	Application Informat	ion 🤣	
UPDATE SUBMISSION STATUS	Summary HSCT Post Submission		
	Application Inform	ation	
	Grant Number:	ation R01HG123456	
	Grant Number:	R01HG123456	napping studies
	Grant Number: Application Identifier:	R01HG123456 99999 (Post Award Action)	napping studies
	Grant Number: Application Identifier: Application Project Title:	R01HG123456 99999 (Post Award Action) Design and analysis of human gene n	napping studies
	Grant Number: Application Identifier: Application Project Title: PD/PI Name:	R01HG123456 99999 (Post Award Action) Design and analysis of human gene n Humperdink, Budge	napping studies
	Grant Number: Application Identifier: Application Project Title: PD/PI Name: Organization:	R01HG123456 99999 (Post Award Action) Design and analysis of human gene n Humperdink, Budge UNIVERSAL UNIVERSITY	mapping studies

	HSCT Post iubmission				
Clinical Tr	ial Post Submission				
Clinical T	rial Post Submission v1.0	0 🕜			
Edit					
Study Reco	rd(s)			Sho	wing 1 - 1 of total 1
Charles ID	Charles Title	Clinical	Study	Last Submission	A
Study ID	Study Title	Trial?	Status	Date	Action
162024	Relationship between genes affecting heart and brain activity	Yes	Accepted	04/17/2018	View

This will open the *Clinical Trial Post Submission* form. In SECTION 2 - STUDY POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS, click the **Edit** button for the report you wish to update.

ECTION 2 - ST	UDY POPULATION CHARACTE	RISTICS	
	2.1. Condition	s or Focus of Study	
Nothing four	id to display		
2.2. Eligibilit	ty Criteria		
2.3. Age Lim	-	Maximum Age	
2.4. Inclusio	n of		View Attachment
Women,	, Minorities,		
and Chi			
2.5. Recruit			View Attachment
Retentio 2.6. Recruiti			
2.7. Study T			View Attachment
Inclusion Er	nrollment Report(s)		
Entry #	Enrollment Location Type	Enrollment Locatio	on Action
12345	Domestic		View

The Inclusion Enrollment Report will open in a new view and fields will be editable.

Edit							
* 1. Using an Exist Dataset or Re	_	⊖ No					
* 2. Enrollment Lo Type	cation 🖲 Dor	Domestic Foreign					
3. Enrollment Country(ies)	UNITE) STATES OF A	NERICA				
4. Enrollment Location(s)	Enter	up to 255 char	acters				
			Char	acters Remai	ining: 255		
5. Comments	Enter	up to 500 char					
Planned			Char	acters Remai	ining: 500		
		Ethnic Ca	ategories				
	Not Hispan	ic or Latino	Hispanic	or Latino	Total		
Racial Categories	Female	Male	Female	Male			
American Indian/Alaska Native	0	0	0	0	0		
∆sian	100	100	0	0	200		

If the PI is making changes:

- The PI can click the **Save and Release Lock** button to save the changes.
- The submission status changes to Work in Progress.
- PI changes status to Ready for Submission.
- SO logs into ASSIST, finds the application, and submits it.

If the SO is making changes:

- The SO can click the **Save and Keep Lock** button to save the changes.
- The submission status remains in *Work in Progress*.
- The SO must click the **Save and Release Lock** button to allow the application to have the status changed.
- SO changes status to Ready for Submission.

- The *Submit* action becomes active on the *Application Information* page.
- SO clicks on the **Submit** button

Only the SO can submit the application to NIH. The submission sends all updated study records associated with the application to NIH at one time.

Program officials and grant specialists are notified automatically of study changes and can review those changes. Some changes may require prior approval.

NOTE: If the application has been submitted and needs to be placed back into a work in progress status, refer to these instructions to perform this action; <u>https://www.era.ni-h.gov/erahelp/ASSIST/default.htm#ASSIST_Help_Topics/5_Preview_Print_Submit/Revise_Application.htm?Highlight=status</u>

POLICY: For additional information on racial and ethnic categories or inclusion policy, refer to <u>PHS Supplemental Instructions for Human Subjects</u> or the <u>OER inclusion web</u> <u>page</u>.

No Inclusion Enrollment Records Provided

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Editing Inclusion Enrollment Data is not applicable for DOC awards.

When inclusion monitoring is required and no IERs exist, the RPPR system will not allow the submission of the progress report without an IER. An error message will be displayed when you check errors:

"NIH policy requires inclusion to be monitored on Study#<Study#, Study#>, but no Inclusion Enrollment Report(s) have been provided for this study. Please navigate to G.4.b of the RPPR to update this study and provide an Inclusion Enrollment Report"

Warning messages may also display when additional data is expected or when actuals have not been updated in over one year. Those situations and the resulting warning messages are below:

• When the study level inclusion code is *Yes*, and IERs exist <u>without</u> Cumulative totals (only Planned totals), you should receive a warning message.

"No Cumulative inclusion enrollment data has been provided for the Study#<study#, study#>. Is this correct? If enrollment has not begun, you may proceed and submit the RPPR. If participants have been enrolled, navigate to section G.4.b of the RPPR to update inclusion enrollment report(s) cumulative enrollment data for these studies."

• When the study level inclusion code is *Yes*, and IERs exist <u>with</u> Cumulative totals, but the dataset and actuals have not been updated in the past year (365 days) you should receive a warning message.

"Updates to Inclusion enrollment report(s) have not been made for study#<study #, study#>. If updates are needed, navigate to G.4.b of the RPPR to access this study and update inclusion enrollment reports."

Submit New Planned Inclusion Record

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Editing Inclusion Enrollment Data is not applicable for DOC awards.

Click the **Submit New Planned Inclusion Record** link to access the *Edit Planned Inclusion Data* screen and submit planned enrollment and create a new IER. For multi-year funded awards, this link is available only for the current fiscal year. Upon a successful save of a new IER, attributes (Study Title, Foreign/domestic indicator/planned comments), Planned Inclusion Data (as entered), and Cumulative Inclusion Data (as zeroes) are also created; the new IER is assigned a unique IER #; and the IER status is set to Grantee Updates in Progress (when accessing through Status in Commons).

Convert Delayed Onset to Full Study Record

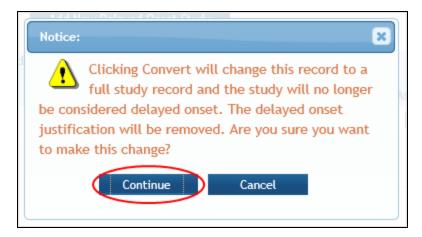
Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Editing Inclusion Enrollment Data is not applicable for DOC awards.

When it is time to activate a delayed onset study, access the study record through *Status* and use the **Convert** action to change the status to a full study.

Steps:

- 1. Click the **Convert** button the system displays following warning:
 - a. Clicking "Convert" will change this record to a full study record and the study will no longer be considered delayed onset. The delayed onset justification will be removed. Are you sure you want to make this change?"
 - b. If you choose the **Continue** option, you will be taken to the *Study Page* with title populated and rest of the fields empty.
 - c. If you choose the **Cancel** option, you will stay on the *Post Submission* screen and the Delayed Onset remains as Delayed Onset
- 2. Select **Save** (and keep or release lock) after completing the fields on the *Study Page*.
- 3. The action of saving the study removes the study from the *Delayed Onset Study* table and a new study is saved and added to the *Study Record* table.

Delaye	ed Onset St	udy(ies)	Add New Delayed Onset Stud	У				
Study ID	Study Title	Anticipated Clinical Trial?	Justification	Last Submission Date	Delete on save	Add/Update Attachment	View Attachment	Action
	* Added new delaye d on	* • Yes O No	* ASSIST_CT_DOnsetStudy12.pdf			Update	View	Convert



Study R	ecord(s)			Showing 1	- 4 of total 4
Study ID	Study Title	Clinical Trial?	Study Status	Last Submission Date	Action
000001	Treatment of Older Adults with Hypertension: Study 1	No	WorkInProgress	04/28/2017	View
000002	Treatment of Older Adults with Hypertension: Study 1	No	WorkInProgress	04/28/2017	View
	Safety and Efficacy of BI-885 in Pediatric Subjects	Yes	WorkInProgress		View
	Converted study	Yes	WorkInProgress		View

Inclusion Enrollment Record (IER) Statuses

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Editing Inclusion Enrollment Data is not applicable for DOC awards.

A status will be maintained for each study version. IER Status values are as follows:

Accepted – Not Rolled Forward: The IER is either marked as Not Funded or as Type 2 Progress Report. The project is awarded, but the IER is not rolled forward into an out-year record.

Accepted (Original Submission): The IER has been accepted at award issuance based on what was originally submitted. (Data migrated from the previous data system may also have this status when awarded.)

Accepted (PI Revisions): Grantee has modified the IER after original submission, but before release of the award

Accepted by Agency: OER has frozen ability to modify inclusion enrollment records for IERs on contracts or intramural projects for the selected FY.

Grantee Updates in Progress: Grantee user has created the IER; Grantee user has initiated updates on an IER (Edit Planned or Edit Cumulative); and/or SO has routed an IER back to the Pl

Inclusion Updated: Grantee has updated cumulative (actual) enrollment counts via the RPPR module in Commons

Previous FY Data: Data from previous fiscal year has been rolled forward into the next project record

Pending SO: IER has been routed to the Institution's Signing Official (SO)

Received by Agency: IER form (Planned or Cumulative) has been received as part of the electronic application submission (i.e., Grants.gov/eSub or ASSIST); Grantee user (SO) has routed the IER via HSS in the Commons Status module to the agency; the agency user has created a new IER in HSS; IER is inserted or updated via web service. This applies to intramural projects and certain contracts.

Received by Agency – RPPR: Grantee user submitted IER to the agency as part of the Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR)

When Should I Access HSS via the Status Module?

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Editing Inclusion Enrollment Data is not applicable for DOC awards.

HSS is used to view and maintain inclusion data associated with your grant(s) and can be accessed in one of two ways, both through the eRA Commons system: via the **Status** module –or– via the RPPR **Section G. Special Reporting Requirements**.

When to Use the Status Module Instead of RPPR

There are a number of reasons why you might need to access inclusion data through Commons Status rather than through your progress report. For example:

- Before award of a competitive application, changes may be necessary to the inclusion data submitted with the application via Grants.gov.
- Post-award, there may be a requirement to provide more frequent updates to inclusion enrollment in addition to any reporting associated with the RPPR.

Inclusion data cannot always be updated using *Status*. When application is undergoing peer review, the inclusion data is not accessible in the *Human Subjects System*. Also, after

a grant is awarded, only the **View** links will be available for the IERs associated with fiscal year award. The data for a given fiscal year is locked when the award is issued and no further updates can be made. At that point, you can make updates via Status for the record associated with the next fiscal year.

For details on using the Status module for accessing HSS, please refer to <u>Access HSS</u>. You can also access the HSS Online Help by selecting the help icons (?) on any of the HSS screens.

Checking for Errors and Warnings

At any time before an RPPR is submitted to agency, an error check can be performed to verify that the report passes the business rules and system validations in place. Any user who has access to the RPPR may perform the error check.

Refer to *Checking for Errors on Single-Project RPPRs* on page 431 for more information on error checking single-project RPPRs.

Refer to *Checking for Errors on a Multi-Project RPPR* on page 432for more information on error checking multi-project RPPRs.

NOTE: All PDFs you upload are recommended to be a flattened PDF, and may cause an error if not flattened. For more information on flattening PDFs, see the FAQ titled, "When submitting PDFs to eRA Commons, particularly for RPPRs and Just-in-Time, I am getting an error telling me to ensure all files are flattened PDFs. What does flattening a PDF mean and how do you do it?"

Checking for Errors on Single-Project RPPRs

To perform an error check on the RPPR for single-project RPPRs, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **Check for Errors** on the *RPPR Menu* screen.

RPPR Mer	าน 😮				
RPPR					
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05 Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	•	rincipal Investigator(PI)	Due Date 12/15/2021 Project Title Glioblastoma	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in Progress
	 View Routing History Route to Next Reviewer Submit 				Sancel

If errors or a warning exist, the appropriate error or warning message displays for each failed occurrence. **All errors must be corrected prior to submission**; the system will prevent submission of an RPPR containing errors. However, the system will not prevent submission of an RPPR when a warning message is displayed.

PPR Menu 🕜	
Performing a check found 3 error(s)	
Section A. Cover Page: (ID: 201309)	
A.2. Personal Profile information for the Signing Official assigned to the RPPR has the following errors and must be corrected by the SO: Please complete Employments section in Commons Profile. (ID: 201295)	
A.2. Personal Profile information for the Signing Official assigned to the RPPR has the following errors and must be corrected by the SO: Please enter email address in Commons Profile, (ID: 201297)	
Section E. Impact: (ID: 201318) E.4. An answer is required: select Nothing to Report or enter/upload response (ID: 201268)	
Performing a check found 1 warning(s)	
This progress report includes one or more publications that are out of compliance with the NIH Public Access Policy. Compliance with the NIH Public Access Policy is a legal requirement and a term and condition of all NIH awards. If you have questions about the Policy, please check the NIH Public Access Website	

If all validations pass, a message displays indicating: No errors found on validation.

Checking for Errors on a Multi-Project RPPR

To perform an error check on the Overall or individual component of a multi-project RPPRs, click the three-dot ellipsis icon and select **Check for Errors** on the *RPPR Menu* screen for the Overall or individual component being validated.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). This topic does not apply to DOC award RPPRs.

NOTE: Refer to *Accessing a Multi-Project or Single-Project with Complicated Structure RPPR for Editing* on page 378 for information on adding individual components to the RPPR.

PPR Men	-						
ward Number P30AG010000-28	Program		incipal Investigator	r(PI)	Due Date 05/01/2022	Current Reviewer Dow, Hatfield	Status PD/PI Work in Progress
stitution	🕼 Edit RPPR				Project Title		
NIVERSITY OF CAL	A Check for	Errors			Center on Aging		
Has Components	🖄 View RPPR	as PDF					+ Add Component -
Filter Table	ூ View Routi ₱ Route to N	5 ,				*	(1 of 1 →)
ID 🔺		Date ≑	Type 🌲	Title	<u>-</u>		
Admin Core-5207		02/02/2022	Admin Core	Core G			
Core-5201	ľ	Edit RPPR	Core	Core A	. Administrative and Re	esearch Support	
Core-5202	Û	Delete	Core	Core B	. Program Developmer	nt (Pilot)	
Core-5203	A	Check for Errors	Core	Core C	. External Innovative N	letwork Core	
Core-5204		02/02/2022	Core	Core D	. External Research Res	sources Support and Dissemin	ation

If errors or a warning exist for the chosen component, the appropriate error or warning message displays for each failed occurrence. Select **Check for Errors** for other components to perform a check against them.

All errors must be corrected prior to submission; the system will prevent submission of an RPPR containing errors. However, the system will not prevent submission of an RPPR when a warning message is displayed. Warnings are in yellow; errors are in red/pink.

RPPR Grant List	: Rppr Menu	A Cover Page	B Accomplishments	C Products	D Participants	E Impact	F Changes	G Special Reporting Req	H Budget
RPPR Me	enu 🕜								
Error(s)									х
A.2. Personal P Employments A.2. Personal P	rofile information section in Comr	mons Profile. (ID: on for the Signing	g Official assigned to tl 201295)					by the SO: Please complet by the SO: Please enter en	
			nents (ID: 201309)						
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If all validations pass, a message displays indicating: No errors found on validation.

Viewing the RPPR in Commons

The RPPR, in PDF format, is accessible in Commons within the *Status Information* screen. To view the RPPR, perform the following steps:

- 1. Navigate to the **Status** module in eRA Commons.
- 2. Click the link for **List of Applications/Grants**.

Status: PI Search

The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA Service Desk .

The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click **Recent/Pending eSubmissions** menu tab again.

Recent/Pending eSubmissions

- Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion
- Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion
- Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official

iew results, summary statements, and Notices of Award
, Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Fracking Num

3. From the *Status Result – List of Applications/Grants* screen, select the link for the specific Application ID.

Status Result - Gener	al Search ?	ts			*		< 1 of 4	40 ~ >
Application/Award ID 🗘	Grants.gov Tracking # 🌲	Proposal Title ≑	PD/PI Name 🌲	Application Status ≑	Project Period Start 👻	Project Period End \$	Budget Period Start \$	Budget Period End ≑
1R03CA010101-01	GRANT05050505	Sonic Hedgehog	Zacil, Edin	Pending Council Review	04/01/20 23	03/31/20 25	04/01/20 23	03/31/20 24

The *Status Information* screen displays with the **Other Relevant Documents** section in the top right corner.

- 4. The progress reports for incrementally-funded and multi-year funded awards are displayed differently in **Other Relevant Documents**.
 - a. For an incrementally-funded RPPR: Click the e-Application link from the

Other Relevant Documents section of the *Status Information* screen.

Status Information @		
Filter ×		Expand All Collapse All
5 D43 TW000000-04		
Status: Application awarded.	Project Title: Infectious Disease in A	frica
PI Name: DOE, JANE	NIH Appl. ID: 10111111	Application ID: 5 D43 TW000000-04
• Status		
Status: Application awarded.		04
Last Status Update Date: 03/10/2021		04
PI Name: DOE, JANE	Institution Name: UNIVERSITY OF KELEY	NIH Appl. ID: 10000000
	School Name: OFFICE OF VICE CHANCELLOR FOR RESEARCH	
	School Category: ORGANIZED RESEARCH UNITS	
	Division Name: NONE	
	Department Name: CENTER FOR EFFECTIVE ACTION	
Proposal Receipt Date: 01/08/2021	Proposal Title: Infectious Disease	
Budget Start Date: 03/01/2021 Budget End Date: 02/28/2022	Project Period Begin Date: 04/05/2018	Progress Report Due Date: 01/01/2021
	Project Period End Date: 02/28/2023	Current Award Notice Date: 03/10/2021
Application Source: RPPR	eApplication Status:	
FOA: [PAR17-057] - Infectious Disease	e Research Training	
Other Relevant Documents		
e-Application		
Latest NGA		
Notice(s) of Grant Award (PDF)	03/10/2021	
Abstract (Awarded Grant)		

b. For multi-year funded awards: Click the appropriate year's link in the Other
 Relevant Documents section. Links will appear as follows: RPPR Year <X>
 <MM/DD/YYYY> .

Filter ×		Expand All Collapse All
1 DP2 CA000000-01		
Status: Application awarded.	Project Title: cancer immunotherapy	
PI Name: DOE, JANE	NIH Appl. ID: 9781166	Application ID: 1 DP2 CA000000- 01
• Status		
Status: Application awarded.		
Last Status Update Date: 09/16/201	9	
PI Name: DOE, JANE	Institution Name: UNIVERSITY OF KELEY School Name: GRADUATE DIVISION School Category: GRADUATE SCHOOLS Division Name: NONE Department Name: MOLECULAR AND CELL BIOLOGY	NIH Appl. ID: 9781166
Proposal Receipt Date: 09/07/2018	Proposal Title: cancer immunotherapy	1
Project Period Begin Date: 09/20/2019 Project Period End Date: 05/31/2024	Current Award Notice Date: 08/19/2020	
Application Source: Grants.gov	eApplication Status: Submission Complete	
FOA: [RM18-008] - NIH Directors Ne	w Innovator Award Program (DP2 - Clinical	Trial Optional)
Other Relevant Documents		
e-Application		
Summary Statement		
Latest NGA		
Notice(s) of Grant Award (PDF)	08/19/2020 , 09/16/2019	
Abstract (Awarded Grant)		
Just In Time	09/10/2019 Times Revised(2)	
eSubmission Cover Letter		

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The PDF version of the RPPR opens in a separate window.

NOTE: The submitted RPPR can also be accessed from the *RPPR Menu* screen. The **View RPPR As PDF** option under the three-dot ellipsis icon opens the PDF version of the RPPR.

PD/PI Assurance Report

The *PD/PI Assurance Report* displays instances when PI users agreed to the PD/PI Assurance message upon routing or submitting a Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPR).

If you hold an SO role, you have access to the PD/PI Assurance Report menu option; principal investigators (PI) cannot see this screen. To view the report:

- 1. <u>Navigate to the **RPPR** module</u> in eRA Commons.
- 2. From the Manage RPPR screen, select the PD/PI Assurance Report option.

RPPR Grant List PD/PI Assura	nce Report		
PD/PI Assurance	Report 😮		
PD/PI Last Name	PD)/PI First Name	
ex: Smith	6	ex: Mary	
Date Range From	То		
02/16/2022	m (c	03/16/2022	#
MM/DD/YYYY	MN	Λ/DD/ΥΥΥΥ	Clear Q Search
Filter Table 2	Results		▲ 🔳 < 1 of 1 🗸 >
Award# ≑	PD/PI Name 🌲	I Agree Date 👻	First Router Name 🌲
R01GM040000-02	Smith, Jane	02/25/2022 12:20:48	Wang, Xu
DP2AR070000-01	Doe, John	02/22/2022 15:50:21	King, Kevin R

PD/PI Assurance Report Screen

- 3. The *PD/PI Assurance Report* screen opens. You can perform a search for a specific PI, by a range of dates for all PIs in the organization, or by using both criteria. A search with no specified PI returns the records for all PIs in the organization.
- 4. Enter your search criteria and click the Search button.

The search results display at the bottom of the screen.

Public Access PRAM

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Public Access PRAM is not applicable for DOC awards.

The Public Access Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM) screen lets awardees upload, review, and submit information in response to the automated notification sent when an NIH awardee submits an RPPR with non-compliant publications. The system sends the automated email to the PD/PI requesting verification that all publications are in compliance with the NIH Public Access Policy. The SO and AO assigned to the RPPR on the cover page receive a copy (cc) of the email.

Using the PRAM screen, awardees can upload and submit a <u>My NCBI PDF</u> report demonstrating that previously non-compliant papers reported on the RPPR are now compliant. Compliant papers have a status of *Complete*, *N/A* (not applicable), *PMC Journal in Process*, or *In process at NIHMS*. Please see <u>http://publicaccess.nih.gov/include-pmcidcitations.htm</u> for additional information. If unable to provide the verification of compliance, awardees can upload and submit justification for why specific publications cannot be brought into compliance.

As with the RPPR, a PD/PI (or Contact PI in the case of multiple PIs) can enter the Public Access PRAM, but can only submit it if the PD/PI is delegated with *Submit Progress Report* authority. Otherwise, only the SO can submit the PRAM to the agency.

Responding to Public Access PRAM

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Public Access PRAM is not applicable for DOC awards.

The principal investigator (Contact PI) or PI delegate can respond to a Public Access PRAM (Progress Report Additional Materials) request by following the steps below. Signing officials can also respond to a PRAM request. Only signing officials or those delegated with submit progress report authority can submit the request to the requesting agency.

If the **Route** button is missing, the request might be in another user's queue. Public Access PRAM can be submitted only one time, and only one file can be submitted.

Accessing the PRAM Screen

The principal investigator (PI) and the signing official (SO) both use Status to access the *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen, but the Status module is different for a PI and a SO.

The contact PI accesses the Public Access PRAM request by going to the Status module, expanding the award information, and clicking on the **Public Access PRAM** button:

R35HG010101	5	09/01/2020 - 11/30/2025 (Project Period)	CEND, LING (PD/PI)	Genome	Engineering (T	itle) Pen	ding
Application/Award ID	Grants.g Tracking		PD/PI e Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
5R35HG010101-04		Genome Engineering	CEND, LING (PI)	Pending	06/27/2022	RPPR Public Access PRAM Agency Requested PRAM

Figure 174: Principal investigator view of Status, showing Public Access PRAM button

The SO accesses the Public Access PRAM request by going to the Status module, searching for an award, and selecting **Public Access PRAM** from the award's three-dot ellipsis menu:

Filter Table		□ - 5 R	esults			. [1 of 1 ∨	>
Application/Award		Grants.gov Tracking # ≑	Proposal Title 🗘	PD/PI Name ≑	Application Status ≑	Project Period Start 🗸	Project Period End ‡	Budget Period Start ‡	Budget Period End ‡
5R35HG010101-04	Pu	PPR Iblic Access PRAM gency Requested P		Cend, Ling	Pending	09/01/20 20	11/30/20 25	12/19/20 23	12/18/2 24

Responding to the PRAM Request

The *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen displays **Grant Information** at the top of the screen, and includes the person who is the current reviewer of this request. Only the current reviewer can edit the request.

The current reviewer uses the **Public Access Compliance** section at the bottom to add the requested materials. If a user cannot upload files or sees a **Recall** button, then the user is not the current reviewer. Pls do not see a **Submit** button; only an SO can submit the files for this request.

Progress Report A	dditional Materials (PRAM) (RAM) 😯
Grant Information	
PD/PI Name Cend, Ling Project Title Genome Engineering	Org Name STAN UNIVERSITY
Pram Status	Current Reviewer
Reviewer Work in Progress	Hayten, Laon
Public Access Compl	iance
Verify compliance with the NIH F	Public Access Policy by uploading a My NCBI PDF report demonstrating that previously non-compliant papers ompliant. Citations must have one of the following statuses: "Complete", "N/A" (not applicable) , "PMC Journal in
If unable to provide verification,	provide a justification for why the specific publication(s) cannot be brought into compliance.
	Drop files here to upload, or <u>browse</u> . Accepted File Types: PDF Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 1
	Cancel Preview View Routing History Route Submit

Figure 175: PRAM screen for Public Access Compliance showing the SO view of the screen with Submit button

 Drag and drop one file to the "Drop Files Here..." area, or click the browse link and choose a file from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed.

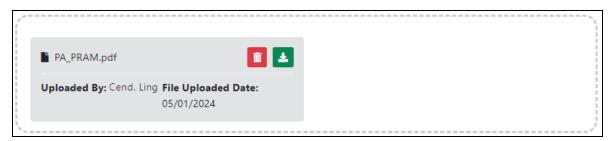


Figure 176: Uploaded files area, showing delete and download icons

For the uploaded file, you can:

- Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
- Click the **Delete** icon **u** to remove the file. Only the current reviewer can delete a file.
- 2. After you add files, you can do any of the following:
 - **Preview.** Click the **Preview** button to see the entire PRAM submission package, with a summary at top that shows the award number, PI name, title, and file names of uploaded files, followed by the contents of the uploaded files.
 - **View Routing History.** Click this to see a history of all the users who have taken action on this request.
 - **Route.** A PI can route the PRAM to any SO in the organization. An SO can route the PRAM to either the contact PI or to any other SO in the organization. See the section titled *Routing the PRAM Request to the Next Reviewer* below. The person to whom the request is routed receives a notification email.

- **Recall.** The **Recall** button is available to the PI after the PI has routed the request. The **Recall** button is also available to any SO in the organization, as a means of assigning the request to themself. Simply click the **Recall** button After a recall, the person to whom the request had been assigned receives a notification email that they are no longer the current reviewer.
- **Submit** (SO Only). If the submission package is ready to submit, the SO can submit it by clicking the **Submit** button, which appears for SOs only (or those delegating signing authority). See the section titled *Submitting the PRAM Request* below.

Routing the PRAM Request to the Next Reviewer

If a PRAM is routed to you, you receive an email notifying you of the event.

1. Click the **Route** button to send the PRAM for review.

The *Route PRAM to Next Reviewer* screen displays with a list of all available reviewers. .

- 2. Select a name from the **Next Reviewer** dropdown.
- 3. Optionally, enter text into the **Comments** field.

4. Click the **Submit** button.

Name: Hayten, Laon Awardee Institution: STAN UNIVERSITY	Award Number: 5R35HG010101-04	
Next Reviewer:		
Cend, Ling [PD/PI] 🛛 🗸		
Comments:		

Figure 177: Route PRAM to Next Reviewer popup, where you can route a request to the PI or to any SO along with comments

If you are a PI, then the *Route PRAM to Next Reviewer* screen displays the PD/PI Assurance statement. SOs do not see this screen when routing. PIs should read this statement to confirm agreement with it. 5. Click the **Submit** button to route the PRAM to the next reviewer.

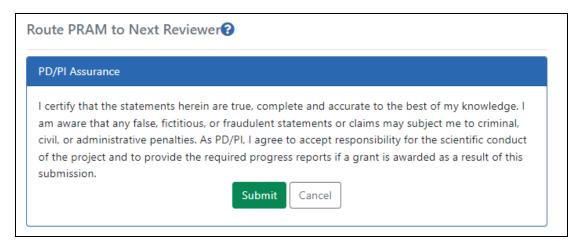


Figure 178: PD/PI Assurance screen, which appears to PIs when routing a request

The *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen displays a success message that the PRAM was successfully routed. Additionally, the status is updated and shown as *Reviewer Work in Progress*. At this point, the PD/PI can only view the PRAM, the attachments, the Preview, and the Routing History; the PD/PI can not edit the PRAM. The SO can route the PRAM back to the contact PI, or the PI can click the **Recall** button to reassign the PRAM back to the PI.

Recalling the PRAM Request

PRAM in a status of *Reviewer Work in Progress* that has been routed can be recalled by the contact PI or any SO at the institution. Recalling can be done up until the submission of the current PRAM attachment(s) to the agency. This is useful in situations when the request was routed to the wrong person or the reviewer is unavailable. If you are the current reviewer of a PRAM, and it is recalled, you receive an email notifying you of the event.

NOTE: A PD/PI *delegate* does not have the ability to recall the PRAM.

To recall a PRAM, simply use the Status module to search for an award, select **Public Access PRAM** from the three-dot ellipsis menu or Action column, and then click the **Recall** button.

Submitting the PRAM Request (SO Only)

When the PRAM is in *Reviewer Work in Progress* status, the current reviewer of the PRAM can submit it to the agency. Any signing official can submit. The PD/PI can submit the information only if they have been delegated *Submit Progress Report* authority by an SO. If the PD/PI lacks the authority to submit, they should route the PRAM to an SO to submit. Any SO can click the **Recall** button to become the current reviewer.

To submit a PRAM, simply use the Status module to search for an award, select **Agency Requested PRAM** from the three-dot ellipsis menu or Action column, and then click the **Submit** button. Read the certification statement and click the **I Agree** button.

ubmit PRAM to Agency		
D/PI Assurance		
atement, and verifies the accuracy	and validity of all administrative, fisc ated authority) further certifies that t	ecified in the Notice of Award and Grants Policy cal, and scientific information in the progress he awardee organization will be accountable for t rant-supported project or activities resulting from
e progress report. Deliberate with ctions such as withdrawal of a prog	holding, falsification, or misrepresen gress report, suspension and/or term 'he awardee institution may be liable	tation of information could result in administrative ination of an award, debarment of individuals, as for the reimbursement of funds associated with
e progress report. Deliberate with ctions such as withdrawal of a prog- ell as possible criminal penalties. T ny inappropriate or fraudulent con	holding, falsification, or misrepresen gress report, suspension and/or term 'he awardee institution may be liable	ination of an award, debarment of individuals, as
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e progress report. Deliberate with ctions such as withdrawal of a prog ell as possible criminal penalties. T ny inappropriate or fraudulent con Application Information PD/PI Name Cend, Ling Project Title	holding, falsification, or misrepresent gress report, suspension and/or term the awardee institution may be liable duct of the project activity. Org Name	ination of an award, debarment of individuals, as

Figure 179: Signing official Submit PRAM certification screen, which appears while submitting

Viewing Public Access PRAM for Multi-Year Funded Awards

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Public Access PRAM is not applicable for DOC awards.

After submitting Public Access PRAM for multi-year funded awards, users can view the PRAM via the *Status Information* screen.

To see submitted PRAM via the Status Information screen:

- 1. Use the Status module to look up an award.
- 2. Click the award/application ID, which opens the award or application's *Status Information* screen.
- 3. Under Other Relevant Documents, click the PRAM link.

The Progress Report Additional Materials file opens as a PDF document. The file has a header for each PRAM submission followed by the documents that were uploaded and submitted. If multiple submissions of PRAM were completed, the additional materials are separated in the document with the most recent submission displayed first followed by earlier submissions.

IC (Agency) Requested PRAM

The Agency Requested Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM) request lets the awardee attach, review, route, and submit information in response to a specific request by the program official (PO) at the awarding IC or agency for additional information following the submission of an RPPR.

As with the RPPR, a PD/PI (or Contact PI in the case of multiple PIs) can enter the PRAM, but can only submit it if the PD/PI is delegated with *Submit Progress Report* authority. Otherwise, only the SO can submit the PRAM to the agency.

NOTE: Agency requested PRAM is not available for multi-year funded awards at this time.

Responding to Agency Requested PRAM

The principal investigator (Contact PI) or PI delegate can respond to an agency-requested PRAM (Progress Report Additional Materials) request by following the steps below. Signing officials can also respond to a PRAM request. Only signing officials or those delegated with submit progress report authority can submit the request to the requesting agency.

If the **Route** button is missing, the request might be in another user's queue. Agencyrequested PRAM can be submitted multiple times, as long as the **Agency Requested PRAM** link remains available in the Status module.

Accessing the PRAM Screen

The principal investigator (PI) and the signing official (SO) both use Status to access the *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen, but the Status module is different for a PI and a SO.

The contact PI accesses the agency-requested PRAM request by going to the Status module, expanding the award information, and clicking on the **Agency Requested PRAM** button:

Status Result -	List of	f Applications,	/Awards	? 7			
♥ R35HG010101	3	09/01/2020 - 11/30/2025 (Project Period)	CEND, LING (PD/PI)	Genome	Engineering (Ti	tle) <mark>Pen</mark>	ding
Application/Award ID	Grants.go Tracking#		PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
5R35HG010101-04		Genome Engineering	CEND, LING (PI)		Pending	06/27/2022	RPPR Public Access PRAM Agency Requested PRAM

Figure 180: Principal investigator view of Status, showing Agency Requested PRAM button

The SO accesses the agency-requested PRAM request by going to the Status module, searching for an award, and selecting **Agency Requested PRAM** from the award's three-dot ellipsis menu:

Status Result - G	ieneral Searc	h 😮						
Filter Table	□ ▼ 5 R	esults			* [1 of 1 🗸	>
Application/Award	Grants.gov Tracking # 💠	Proposal Title 🗘	PD/PI Name 🌲	Application Status 🗘	Project Period Start 🗸	Project Period End \$	Budget Period Start \$	Budget Period End \$
	RPPR Public Access PRAM Agency Requested F		Cend, Ling	Pending	09/01/20 20	11/30/20 25	12/19/20 23	12/18/2 24

Figure 181: Signing official view of Status, showing Agency Requested PRAM option under three-dot ellipsis menu

Responding to the PRAM Request

The *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen displays **Grant Information** at the top of the screen, and includes the person who is the current reviewer of this request. Only the current reviewer can edit the request.

The current reviewer uses the **Additional Materials Requested by IC** section at the bottom to add the requested materials. If a user cannot upload files or sees a **Recall** button, then the user is not the current reviewer. Pls do not see a **Submit** button; only an SO can submit the files for this request.

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rop files here to upload, or <u>browse.</u> es: PDF Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 100

 Drag and drop file(s) in the "Drop Files Here..." area, or click the browse link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed.

		o upload, or <u>browse.</u> i ile Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 100
	🖿 myncbi_pdf_report.pdf	📔 JIT10876814.pdf 🛛 💼 🛃
	Uploaded By: Cend, Ling File Uploaded Date: 11/22/2023	Uploaded By:Hayten, Laon File Uploaded Date:03/18/2024
i.,		

For uploaded files, you can:

- Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
- Click the **Delete** icon **b** to remove the file. Only the current reviewer can delete a file.
- 2. After you add files, you can do any of the following:
 - **Preview.** Click the **Preview** button to see the entire PRAM submission package, with a summary at top that shows the award number, PI name, title, and file names of uploaded files, followed by the contents of the uploaded files.

- **View Routing History.** Click this to see a history of all the users who have taken action on this request.
- **Route.** A PI can route the PRAM to any SO in the organization. An SO can route the PRAM to either the contact PI or to any other SO in the organ-ization. See the section titled *Routing the PRAM Request to the Next Reviewer* below. The person to whom the request is routed receives a notification email.
- **Recall.** The **Recall** button is available to the PI after the PI has routed the request. The **Recall** button is also available to any SO in the organization, as a means of assigning the request to themself. Simply click the **Recall** button After a recall, the person to whom the request had been assigned receives a notification email that they are no longer the current reviewer.
- **Submit** (SO Only). If the submission package is ready to submit, the SO can submit it by clicking the **Submit** button, which appears for SOs only (or those delegating signing authority). See the section titled *Submitting the PRAM Request* below.

Routing the PRAM Request to the Next Reviewer

If a PRAM is routed to you, you receive an email notifying you of the event.

1. Click the **Route** button to send the PRAM for review.

The *Route PRAM to Next Reviewer* screen displays with a list of all available reviewers. .

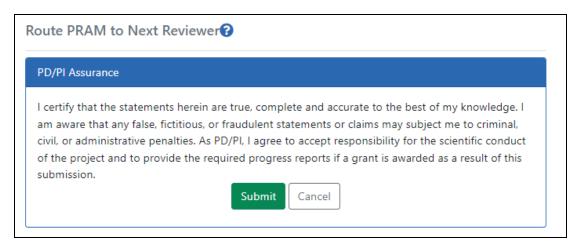
- 2. Select a name from the **Next Reviewer** dropdown.
- 3. Optionally, enter text into the **Comments** field.

4. Click the **Submit** button.

Name: Hayten, Laon Awardee Institution: STAN UNIVERSITY	Award Number: 5R35HG010101-04
Next Reviewer:	
Cend, Ling [PD/PI] 🗸 🗸	
Comments:	

If you are a PI, then the *Route PRAM to Next Reviewer* screen displays the PD/PI Assurance statement. SOs do not see this screen when routing. PIs should read this statement to confirm agreement with it.

5. Click the **Submit** button to route the PRAM to the next reviewer.



The *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen displays a success message that the PRAM was successfully routed. Additionally, the status is updated and shown as

Reviewer Work in Progress. At this point, the PD/PI can only view the PRAM, the attachments, the Preview, and the Routing History; the PD/PI can not edit the PRAM. The SO can route the PRAM back to the contact PI, or the PI can click the **Recall** button to reassign the PRAM back to the PI.

Recalling the PRAM Request

PRAM in a status of *Reviewer Work in Progress* that has been routed can be recalled by the contact PI or any SO at the institution. Recalling can be done up until the submission of the current PRAM attachment(s) to the agency. This is useful in situations when the request was routed to the wrong person or the reviewer is unavailable. If you are the current reviewer of a PRAM, and it is recalled, you receive an email notifying you of the event.

NOTE: A PD/PI *delegate* does not have the ability to recall the PRAM. If prior PRAM submissions to the Agency exist, these attachments are not included in the recall.

To recall a PRAM, simply use the Status module to search for an award, select **Agency Requested PRAM** from the three-dot ellipsis menu or Action column, and then click the **Recall** button.

Submitting the PRAM Request (SO Only)

When the PRAM is in *Reviewer Work in Progress* status, the current reviewer of the PRAM can submit it to the agency. Any signing official can submit. The PD/PI can submit the information only if they have been delegated *Submit Progress Report* authority by an SO. If the PD/PI lacks the authority to submit, they should route the PRAM to an SO to submit. Any SO can click the **Recall** button to become the current reviewer.

To submit a PRAM, simply use the Status module to search for an award, select **Agency Requested PRAM** from the three-dot ellipsis menu or Action column, and then click the **Submit** button. Read the certification statement and click the **I Agree** button.

Submit PRAM 😯

Submit PRAM to Agency

PD/PI Assurance

In submitting these Progress Report additional materials, the SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority), certifies that the awardee organization is in compliance with the terms and conditions specified in the Notice of Award and Grants Policy Statement, and verifies the accuracy and validity of all administrative, fiscal, and scientific information in the progress report. The SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority) further certifies that the awardee organization will be accountable for the appropriate use of any funds awarded and for the performance of the grant-supported project or activities resulting from the progress report. Deliberate withholding, falsification, or misrepresentation of information could result in administrative actions such as withdrawal of a progress report, suspension and/or termination of an award, debarment of individuals, as well as possible criminal penalties. The awardee institution may be liable for the reimbursement of funds associated with any inappropriate or fraudulent conduct of the project activity.

PD/PI Name	Org Name		
Cend, Ling	STAN UNIVERSITY		
Project Title			
Genome Engineering			
Pram Status	Current Reviewer	Due Date	
Reviewer Work in Progress	Hayten, Laon	2023-10-01	

Viewing Agency Requested PRAM from Status Information

After submitting Agency Requested PRAM, users can view the PRAM via the Status Information screen.

To see submitted PRAM via the Status Information screen:

- 1. Use the Status module to look up an award.
- 2. Click the award/application ID, which opens the award or application's *Status Information* screen.
- 3. Under Other Relevant Documents, click the PRAM link.

The Progress Report Additional Materials file opens as a PDF document. The file has a header for each PRAM submission followed by the documents that were uploaded and

submitted. If multiple submissions of PRAM were completed, the additional materials are separated in the document with the most recent submission displayed first followed by earlier submissions

Status Module

The Status screens lets program directors/principal investigators (PD/PIs), their delegates, and signing officials (SOs) perform the following tasks securely:

- Track the status of a grant applications through the submission process. To see a list of each application status, see <u>https://www.era.nih.gov/docs/era_status_</u> <u>codes.pdf</u>.
- View all their applications as well as NoAs and other key documents
- Complete several post-submission and post-award transactions
- Access and update Human Subjects information through the <u>Human Subjects System (HSS)</u>.
- Bypass the 2 business day viewing window for administrative supplements (SOs only); see *Bypassing the 2-Business-Day Application Viewing Window for Administrative Supplements* on page 488.

What you can see and do in the Status module depends on the role associated with your Commons account. For this reason, the query and results screens in the Status module behave differently per user role. Help topics for the Status module are available for both SO and PI users.

Refer to *How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status?* on page 465 if you have an SO or AO role.

Refer to *Status for Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PI Role)* on page 474 if you have a PI role.

Accessing the Status Module

To access the Status module after logging into eRA Commons, use one of the two following methods:

1. Click the Status button on the main eRA Commons home page:



Figure 182: Click the Status button on the main eRA Commons home page to access the Status module.

2. Select Status from the main menu:

	7
Home	
Admin	
Institution Profile	
Personal Profile	
Status	5
ASSIST	
Prior Approval	
RPPR	
Internet Assisted Review	
xTrain	Į.
xTRACT	
Admin Supp	
Non-Research	
IC Coordinator Portal	(

Figure 183: Select Status from the main menu, which is under the eRA logo in upper left.

Status Search for SOs

If you are a signing official for an organization, you can use the Status module to select one of a variety of search screens that let you find specific applications or awards. Search results appear in a table; to learn about the tools that appear above the search results table, see *Standard Tools for Tables* on page 109.

Multiple search types use the **Awarding Office/IC** field to narrow results to one or more agencies, ICs, or departments. See *Searching for Awards by Awarding Office/IC (Search Criteria)* on page 117 for more information on using this search critieria.



Figure 184: Awarding Office/IC search criteria with Change Selections button Search Type: General (Search on Variety of Criteria)

With the general search, you can search on the various parts of the award number, including type, activity code, IC, serial number, support year, and suffix; see <u>Deciphering</u> <u>NIH Application/Grant Numbers</u>. You can also search by PD/PI name, budget start and end dates, application status, and grants.gov number.

As an alternative to the award number, you can search on **Project Number**. If you are searching for a contract project, type all or part of the contract number in the **Project Number** field, which appears below the six award number fields.

NOTE: Use either the six award number fields OR use the **Project Number** field; do not use both simultaneously because each searches a different type of numbering system and no results will appear when they are used together.

1. <u>Navigate to the Status module</u> and select **General** from the **Search Type** dropdown.

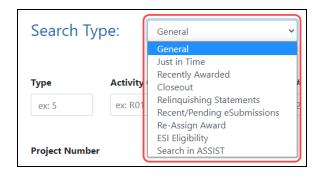


Figure 185: Search Type dropdown in Status

The following screen appears.

	Search Ty	pe: Ge	eneral	~ 🚱				
Use these								
six fields	Туре	Activity Code	IC/Institute	Serial #	Support Yr. Suffix			
	ex: 5	ex: R01 🔹	ex: GM 🔹	ex: 123456	ex: 01 ex: A1			
OR								
	Project Numbe	r		Awarding Offic	ce/IC			
Use this Project	Use this Project ex: NA24N FX678G01 3-T1-0 (Minimum 4 charac				Change Selections None			
Number field								
	PD/PI Last Nam	1e		PD/PI First Na	me			
	ex: Smith			ex: John				
	Budget Start Da	ate Range		Budget End Da	ite Range			
	MM/DD/YYYY	to MM	1/DD/YYYY 🛗	MM/DD/YYYY	to MM/DD/YYYY 🛗			
	Application Sta	tus		Grants.gov Tra	cking Number			
	Select all that a	pply	•	ex: ED-GRAN	FS-123456-001			
					Clear Form Q Search			

Figure 186: General search criteria in Status. Use EITHER the six grant number fields OR use the Project Number field to search, but do not use both.

2. Enter criteria and click **Search**.

In the Status Results, click the Application/Award ID to see the *Status Information* screen for the award, and click its three-dot ellipsis menu for actions that can be performed on the award. See Sample Search Results below.

See Searching for Awards by Awarding Office/IC (Search Criteria) on page 117 for information on using the Awarding/IC dropdown, which lets users search for awards based on what entity awarded the grant.

NOTE: The *Status Result - General Search* screen differs from the results displayed for PI users. Refer to *Status for Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PI Role)* on page 474 for more information.

Search Type: Just in Time (Search for awards/applications with JIT requests)

See Just in Time (JIT) Search for SOs on page 536.

Search Type: Recently Awarded (Search by Days Since Awarded)

The Recently Awarded search is similar to the General Search, except the Recently Awarded Search lets you choose **Days Since Awarded** as a search criteria.

Search Type: Closeout (Search by Closeout Status and Requirements for Final RPPR, Final Invention Statement, and FRAM)

See Closeout Status on page 579.

Status Search Type: Relinquishing Statements

See Managing Relinquishing Statements on page 700.

Search Type: Recent/Pending eSubmissions

See How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status? on page 465

Search Type: Re-Assign Award

See Steps for SO to Re-assign an Award on page 470.

Search Type: ESI Eligibility

See ESI Eligibility Search on page 211.

Search Type: Search in ASSIST

This search option simply redirects you to the search screen in the ASSIST module, where you can start a new application or find and update an existing application. In ASSIST, click the HSS Applications checkbox to find any human subjects applications with required post submissions. Enter other search criteria, such as the PI name, to narrow the search results further. Consult the ASSIST help for help with the ASSIST search screen.

Working With Table Tools

NOTE: For information on working with table tools to filter results, choose visible columns, download/print, limit rows per page, or navigate through pages of results, see *Standard Tools for Tables* on page 109.

Filter Table	367 Results	▲ 🖽 < 1 of 15 ∨ >
E ▼ Application/Award ID \$	Grants.gov Tracking # 💠 Proposal Title 🌩	PD/PI Name 💠

Sample Search Results

The figure below represents a sample of various action links that could be displayed.

Status Result - Gen	eral Search 🛿							
Filter Table	244 Results	5			*		1 of 10	~ >
Application/Award ID 🗘	Grants.gov Tracking # 🌲	Proposal Title ≑	PD/PI Name ≑	Application Status 🌲	Project Period Start 🗸	Project Period End \$	Budget Period Start \$	Budget Period End 🖨
1P01AI010101-01	GRANT17171717		Smill, Daviche	Awarded. Non-fellow- ships only	04/01/20 22	03/31/20 27	04/01/20 22	03/31/20 23
1R01AG070707-01 (MPI)	Human Subjects View Prior eSubmis	ssions	Risactan, Robon	Awarded. Non-fellow- ships only	09/30/20 21	08/31/20 24	09/30/20 21	08/31/20 24

Figure 187: Status Result - General Search

The results include the following information:

• Application/Award ID

The application ID is provided as a link, which when selected opens the *Status Information* screen. *Status Information* includes grant/application information such as status history, study section, contacts, etc. Refer to *Status Information* on page 490 for more information.

If multiple PIs exist on the project, an *MPI* indicator appears next to the application ID.

• Grants.gov Tracking

This column shows the number assigned when the application was submitted electronically to Grants.gov. This is a non-sortable field.

• Proposal Title

The project name submitted on the application is displayed in this column.

NOTE: In the **Proposal Title** field, *NFP* (no further processing) is added to the application title to indicate that the application will not be referred for review.

• PD/PI Name

This is the Contact PI on the application.

• Application Status

This column displays the status of the application. To see a list of each application status, see https://www.era.nih.gov/docs/era_status_codes.pdf.

• Project Period and Budget Dates

Possible Actions

Various actions can appear in the three-dot ellipsis menu.

• Accept/Decline Award

Department of Commerce (DOC) Awards Only. See e Administrative Supplements-Award Information Screen on page 694.

Administrative Supplement

For grants having at least one administrative supplement request either in progress or submitted, but not reviewed. This link is used to view the status of the request. See Administrative Supplements- Award Information Screen on page 694.

Agency Requested PRAM

Opens the *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen for submitting IC Requested PRAM. *Responding to Agency Requested PRAM* on page 448.

Closed

This link opens the *Closeout Status* screen, which provides information on a closed grant. See *Closeout Status* on page 579.

• Correspondence. See Correspondence.

• Extension

This link opens the No-Cost Extension (NCE) feature. See *No-Cost Extension (NCE)* for *NIH Grants* on page 557.

• Human Subjects

Provides access to the Human Subjects System (HSS) for viewing and managing inclusion enrollment data for off-cycle reporting, before the progress report is due. This link is available only for those grants requiring inclusion data. For more information about HSS via Status, refer to the separate <u>Human Subjects System Online</u> <u>Help</u>.

IMPORTANT: To submit inclusion enrollment data with a progress report, HSS must be accessed via the RPPR *Section G. Special Reporting Requirements* rather than through the *Human Subjects* link in the Status module. Refer to the <u>NIH and</u> <u>Other PHS Agency Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Instruction Guide</u> for more information.

• JIT

This link is displayed for applications eligible to submit Just In Time materials. Selecting the link opens the *Just In Time* screen. See *Just in Time (JIT) Screen* on page 538.

• Public Access PRAM

Opens the *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen for submitting Public Access PRAM. *Responding to Public Access PRAM* on page 439

• Reject eApplication

Available only to SO users, select this link to reject an electronically submitted application. If rejected, the status of the application is updated to *Refused*. See *How Does an SO Reject the eApplication?* on page 468

• Requires Closeout

This link opens the *Closeout Status* screen, which provides a means for uploading the required documents for closeout. See *Closeout Status* on page 579.

Revision Request

Department of Commerce (DOC) Awards Only. Previously called Award Action Request, this option is for DOC awards only and lets awardees request a variety of types of changes to an award. See *Revision Requests for DOC Awards* on page 511.

• RPPR

Opens the *RPPR Menu* screen for editing or submitting a Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR). *Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Module* on page 315.

• Start Relinquishing Statement

This only appears if you use the **Relinquishing Statement** search type on the Status search. Available to SOs and used to access the feature for initiating an electronic relinquishing statement.

• Transmittal Sheet

Opens the Transmittal Sheet on which is listed the institution name, proposal title, PI name, grant number, accession number, and proposal receipt date.

• Show Prior Errors and Warnings

This link opens the *Errors/Warning for Prior eSubmissions* screen, which lists validation or other errors that occurred upon submission. This action occurs ONLY if there are errors/warnings.



• View Prior eSubmissions. Shows errors/warnings for prior eSubmissions. This link occurs only if there are NOT errors/warnings; if there are, then the previous action appears instead. Example:

Errors/Warnings for Prior eSubmissions	Close
GRANT13283476 : 02-04-2021 03:07:54 PM	
No errors or warnings.	

• View Terms Tracking. See Viewing Award Terms Tracking from Status Module.

How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status?

Signing Officials can check the status of the applications that have been submitted for their organization using the Status module in eRA Commons.

After submitting an application, you have a two-business-day application viewing window to check the application and reject and <u>revise</u> it. Your application automatically moves forward to agency staff for further processing after the application viewing window has elapsed unless you explicitly "reject" the application in eRA Commons. For administrative supplements, this two day viewing window can be skipped; see *Bypassing* *the 2-Business-Day Application Viewing Window for Administrative Supplements* on page 488.

Also see <u>Submit, Track and View Your Application</u> and *How Does an SO Reject the eApplication*? on page 468

All signing officials can verify the status of the applications that have been submitted for their organization utilizing eRA Commons.

Searching for Recent/Pending eSubmissions

- 1. Log into eRA Commons with an SO account.
- 2. <u>Navigate to the Status module</u> and select **Recent/Pending eSubmissions** from the **Search Type** dropdown.

Search Type:	General 🗸
Type Activity ex: 5 ex: R01 Project Number	General Just in Time Recently Awarded Closeout Relinquishing Statements Recent/Pending eSubmissions Re-Assign Award ESI Eligibility Search in ASSIST

- 3. On the next screen, enter search criteria and click the **Search** button. Search criteria options are:
 - **Grants.gov Tracking #** A value is assigned by Grants.gov when the application is electronically submitted.
 - Accession Number A unique value assigned to applications before an NIH grant number is assigned.
 - eSubmission Status (All, Pending Verification, or Rejected)
 - **Received Date Range** Enter a range of dates for the received date in the from and to fields by clicking the calendar icon and choosing dates.

Recent/Pending eSubmissions 😮		
Grants.gov Tracking #		Accession Number
ex: GRANT01234567		ex: 123456
eSubmission Status		Received Date Range
All	~	11/30/2023 💼 to 02/28/2024 💼
		Clear Form Q Search

Figure 188: Recent/Pending eSubmissions search criteria for an SO

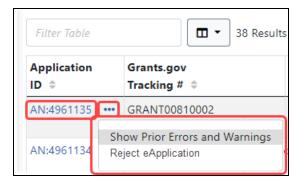
In the search results, you can find links for actions, such as showing prior errors, in the three-dot ellipsis menu next to the Award/Application ID. Also see *Status Search for SOs* on page 458.

eSubmission Tracking Tips

Check the **eSubmission Status** column to determine if your application status is "eSubmission Error", "Rejected", or "Pending Verification". **Select one of the following from the three-dot ellipsis menu for an award in search results:**

- If the status is "eSubmission Error":
 - Click the **Show Prior Errors and Warnings** options from the three-dot ellipsis icon menu
 - Click the linked **Application ID** to open *Status Information*. Any existing submission errors or warnings display at the left of the *Status Information* screen in a yellow or pink box. Refer to *Status Information* on page 490 for more information on this screen.
- If the status is **Pending Verification**, you can click *Reject eApplication* to reject the eSubmission of an application. Refer to *How Does an SO Reject the eApplication?* on page 468.

Checking for eSubmission Errors



- 1. Check the **eSubmission Status** column to determine if your application status is *"eSubmission Error"* or *"Pending Verification"*.
- For Pending Verification applications, you can click the linked Application ID to see the Status Information screen for the application, which includes errors and warnings in a box on the left of the screen. These appear during the two-day reviewing window that's available prior to the application deadline.
- 3. To just see the errors, click the three-dot ellipsis icon for an application and select **Show Prior Errors and Warnings**.
- 4. For Pending Verification applications, you can also select Reject eApplication from the three-dot ellipsis icon menu to reject the eSubmission of the application. To reject an application, see *How Does an SO Reject the eApplication*? on page 468.

NOTE: Errors *will* stop the submission process and need to be addressed via a <u>change/</u>-<u>corrected application</u>. Warnings will not stop the process but it is still critical to check the warning messages to ensure that any referenced issue does not apply to your application.

How Does an SO Reject the eApplication?

When warranted, SOs can request to reject the eSubmission of an application using the *Reject eApplication* screen. Only signing officials have this option, and the application must not have been previously verified or rejected by the SO.

To reject an eApplication:

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your signing official (SO) user ID and password.
- 2. <u>Navigate to the Status module</u> and then select the *Recent/Pending eSubmissions* from the **Search Type** dropdown to locate the application being rejected.
- 3. On the *Recent/Pending eSubmission* screen, search for applications with an **eSubmission Status** of **Pending Verification**.
- In the search results, from the three-dot ellipsis menu for an award, select the *Reject eApplication* action.

Filter Table	Filter Table 2 Results							
Application ID	\$	Grants.gov Tracking # 🗘	eSubmission Status ≑	Proposal Title 🗘	PD/PI Name 🌲	eSubmission Status Date 👻		
AN:4961534	•••	GRANT00808089	Pending Verification	P01CA108671	HONMAN, ROALD	03/27/2024 09:20:13		
AN:4961533		ow Prior Errors and Warnings ject eApplication	Pending Verification	R01AI171569	SIVIAN, VIMONA A	03/27/2024 09:12:42		

Figure 189: Reject eApplication Link

The **Reject eApplication** screen displays.

Reject eApplication	n 😮		
* Required Fields			
Application Details		Show Prior Errors and Warnings]
Award Number	Grant.gov Tracking Number	Proposal Title	
AN: 4961534 늘	GRANT00808080	P01CA108671	
eSubmission Status	eSubmission Status Date	PD/PI Name	
Pending Verification	03/27/2024 09:20:13	Honman, Roald	
Comments *			
			1
4000 characters remaining			
		Cancel Reje	ct

Figure 190: Reject eApplication screen for SO

- 5. Enter a comment (required) in the text box. This message will be part of the rejection email notification.
- 6. Click the **Reject** button.
- 7. A Reject Confirmation popup appears; click **Reject** again.

The contact PI will receive an email notification that the SO has rejected the application.

Steps for SO to Re-assign an Award

In the Status module, signing officials (SO) can use the "Re-assign Award" option from the **Search Type** dropdown to change the assignment of an award from one existing department or component to another existing department or component within their institution.

This functionality is only available to signing officials from grantee organizations that are classified as *Institutions of Higher Education*. This tool cannot be used to create new departments or components.

NOTE: This does NOT move an award from one institution to another; it moves an award only within departments/schools from the same institution. To move an award between institutions, see <u>Relinquishing Statements</u> instead.

To re-assign one or more awards:

- 1. Log into eRA Commons with an SO account.
- 2. <u>Navigate to the Status module</u> and select **Re-Assign Award** from the **Search Type** dropdown.

Search Type:	General	~
Туре А	General Just in Time Recently Awarded Closeout	
ex: 5	Relinquishing Statements Recent/Pending eSubmissions Re-Assign Award	
Project Number	ESI Eligibility Search in ASSIST	

Figure 191: Search Type dropdown for SOs showing Re-Assign Award search option

A Re-assign Award search screen opens.

• **STEP 1:** Enter search criteria to find an award, then click **Search**.

The **School** and **Department** dropdowns shows departments/components within your institution.

Step 1: Search	h and choose awards				You have se	lected 0 award(s) for re-assignment
Туре	Activity Code	•	IC/Institute		Serial # Support Yr.	
ex: 5	ex: R01	~	ex: GM	~	ex: 123456	ex: 01
ontact PI Last I	Name			Contact	PI First Name	
smith				First Na	ime	
chool				Departm	ent	
Select a school			~	Select a	department	
SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY SCHOOL OF LAW SCHOOL OF MEDICINE						Clear Form Search

The search results are displayed.

Select one or more checkboxes of awards to move. To select all visible search results, click the checkbox at the top of the column of checkboxes. To make more res-

ults visible, use the Grid tool to set visible rows per page.

Once you have made your selections, click the **Next** button at the bottom of the screen.

NOTE: You can move all of the visible awards on a page at one time; however you cannot combine marked checkboxes on non-visible results pages into the current re-assignment step. To move grants on other results pages, you must go to those pages and do the reassignment.

St	tep 1: Search and choos	se awards				You have selected 2	award(s) for re-assignment		
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2	R01GM 010101-01A1	Mapping drugs	Smit Jam		07/01/2023 To 06/30/2024	SCHOOL OF MEDICINE	MOLECULAR & MED PHARMACOLOGY		
	R01GM050505-01	interaction map	Smit Jam		11/01/2023 To 10/31/2024	SCHOOL OF MEDICINE	MOLECULAR & MED PHARMACOLOGY		
	F31DK050505-01	Family Proteins	Smit		09/01/2023 To N/A	SCHOOL OF MEDICINE	MEDICINE		

STEP 2:Select the School and Department to which the selected grants should be moved; then click Next.

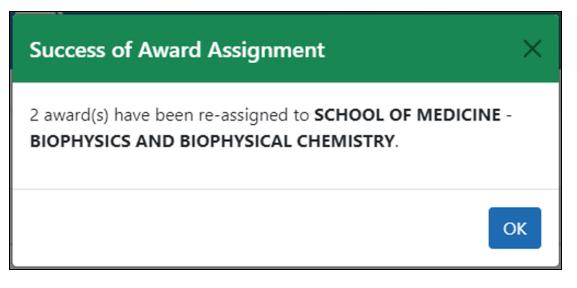
Only existing schools and departments are shown.

Re-assign Award 😮	
Step 1: Search and choose awards	You have selected 2 award(s) for re-assignment
✓ Step 2: Choose department	You have selected SCHOOL OF DENTISTRY, ORAL BIOLOGY AND MEDICINE
School	Department
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	Next

STEP 3: Review the summary, which indicates the number of awards being moved and the destination. If the information is correct, click **Submit**.

Re-assign Award 😮	
> Step 1: Search and choose awards	You have selected 2 award(s) for re-assignment
> Step 2: Choose department	You have selected SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, BIOPHYSICS AND BIOPHYSICAL CHEMISTRY
✓ Step 3: Summary	
Please verify the information and press the 'Submit' button to save.	
Number of awards selected for re-assignment: 2 (Note: You can see the fu	ll list of awards in "Step 1".)
Awards will be re-assigned to:	
School: SCHOOL OF MEDICINE	
Department: BIOPHYSICS AND BIOPHYSICAL CHEMISTRY	
	Submit

In the Confirmation of Award Assignment popup, click **OK**.



- NOTES:
 - Functionality is only available to signing officials from recipient organizations that are classified as Institutions of Higher Education.
 - Assignments are immediate in eRA Commons. The new assignment can be viewed on the *Re-assign Award* search page.
 - Assignments will be visible in <u>RePORTER</u> on the following Monday.
 - You can search only for current and future fiscal years, for awarded grants or pending type 5 grants.

Status for Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PI Role)

The Status module lets those with a PI role review basic aspects of the status of applications sent to the NIH, including pending review, review outcome, pending Advisory Council action, and award status.

Refer to *How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status?* on page 465 if you hold an SO role.

Upon entering the Status module, a PI is taken to a landing page with three options:

- **Recent/Pending eSubmissions**: Select this heading to view a list of recent or pending electronic submissions of grant applications.
- List of Applications/Awards: Select this heading to view a list of applications/grants on which the PI user is the contact PI or one of multiple PIs (MPI)

• Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num: Use this field and the Search button to display information for a specific grant application by tracking number.

Status: PI Search The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA Service Desk .
The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.
Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official
List of Applications/Awards
 Funded Awards Successfully submitted applications, both paper and electronic Review assignment status, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award Other Commons features (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num
Enter the Grants.gov Tracking Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application
Tracking Number Search

Figure 192: Status Screen for PI Users

NOTE: A PI can grant a Commons user with the ASST role access to the Status module. ASST users granted this authority can view the status results as the PI would, however, the ASST user will not have access to the links found in the **Action** column. Refer to *Direct Delegations* on page 198 for information on delegating Status.

Viewing Recent/Pending eSubmissions

Click the **Recent/Pending eSubmissions** option to display search results meeting the following criteria:

- Applications that require action prior to submission
- Applications available for viewing prior to submission (2 business day correction window)
- Applications that have been refused by the SO

Status: PI Search
The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA Service Desk .
The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.
Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official
List of Applications/Awards
 Funded Awards Successfully submitted applications, both paper and electronic Review assignment status, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award Other Commons features (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num
Enter the Grants.gov Tracking Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application Tracking Number Search

Figure 193: Recent/Pending eSubmissions Option in Status PI view

The results display in the *Status - Recent/Pending eSubmissions* screen in a table format. If the number of records returned by the search exceeds the amount allowed on the screen, you can use the page number links and/or navigation arrows at the top of the results table to scroll to the remaining records.

Status Resu	lt - Recent/Pen	ding eSubi	missions 😮 🚺				
The following list of applications represents the result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.							
Grants.gov Tracking#	Application/Award ID	eSubmission Status	Proposal Title	PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status Date	Show All Prior Errors	
GRANT00808089	AN:4961534	Pending Verification	Type 7 - P01CA108671	HOFLD, RONA	03/27/2024 09:20:13	Show Errors and Warnings	

Figure 194: Status Result - Recent/Pending eSubmissions

The following information is included in the table:

Grants.gov Tracking

This column shows the number assigned when the application was submitted electronically to Grants.gov. This is a non-sortable field.

Application ID

The application ID is provided as a link, which when clicked opens the *Status Information* screen. *Status Information* includes grant/application information such as status history, study section, contacts, etc. Refer to *Status Information* on page 490 for more information.

eSubmission Status

This column shows the status of approval for the application.

Proposal Title

The project name submitted on the application is displayed in this column.

NOTE: In the **Proposal Title** field, *NFP* (no further processing) is added to the application title to indicate that the application will not be referred for review.

PD/PI Name

This is the Contact PI on the application.

eSubmission Status Date

This is the date of the latest status update.

Show Prior Errors and Warnings

Click the three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Application ID to select **Show Prior Errors and Warnings**. Clicking this option opens the *Errors/Warnings for Prior eSubmissions* screen, providing any errors or warnings received for the application during eSubmission. **TIP:** Use the **Export** icon (^{*}) located at the top of the screen to export to Excel or PDF or to print the table data.

To return to the search screen, click the **Return to PI Search** link at the top of the page.

Viewing the List of Applications/Grants

The *Status Result - List of Applications/Grants* screen provides a collected source of information pertaining to a PI's grants/applications. The screen lets PIs view basic information for their grants; to review detailed information for their grants, including assignments, summary statements, notices of award; and to access other modules in Commons for completing tasks such as progress report, financial statement, etc.

To access the *Status Result - List of Applications/Grants* screen, click the **List of Applic-ations/Grants** section of the screen.

Status: PI Search The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA Service Desk .
The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.
Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official
List of Applications/Awards
 Funded Awards Successfully submitted applications, both paper and electronic Review assignment status, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award Other Commons features (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num
Enter the Grants.gov Tracking Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application
Tracking Number Search

Figure 195: List of Applications/Awards in Status PI view

The initial results display the applications collapsed into groups of grant families. From the initial display, you can see the application number (or Application ID Not Yet Assigned where applicable); the number of applications/grants within the family; the contact PD/PI; and the title.

TIP: To find the total number of your applications/grants, look for the number displayed next to the screen title.

To display all applications and awards associated with a family, click the blue heading for the ID.

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Status Result -	List o	of Application	ons/Awards 😯	47	
> P30AG010101	16	07/01/1997 - 06/30/2025 (Project Period)	DOW, HATFI (PD/PI)	Center on Aging (Title)	Pending
> R01AG060606	0	08/01/2019 - 02/29/2024 (Project Period)	DOW, HATFI (PD/PI)	Dementia Determinants (Title)	Awarded. Non- fellowships only
> R01DA030303	0	09/30/2013 - 08/31/2019 (Project Period)	DOW, HATFI (PD/PI)	Smoking Cessation (Title)	Awarded. Non- fellowships only
> R01AG040404	0	07/01/2013 - 06/30/2018 (Project Period)	DOW, HATFI (PD/PI)	Telomeres (Title)	Administratively Withdrawn by IC

Figure 196: Status Result - List of Applications/Awards for PI

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✓ R01AG060606	02/29	/2019 - DO D/2024 t Period)	W, HATFI (PD	o/Pi) Dementia	Determinants	(Title) Aw fell	arded. Non- owships only
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title	PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
5R01AG060606-05		Dementia Determinants	DOW, HATFI (PI)		Awarded. Non- fellowships only	03/07/2023	Requires Closeout RPPR Human Subjects
5R01AG060606-04		Dementia Determinants	DOW, HATFI (PI)		Awarded. Non- fellowships only	03/07/2022	RPPR Human Subjects

Figure 197: Sample of an expanded award/application on Status for PIs

Once expanded, the following information is displayed:

Application ID

The application ID is provided as a link, which when clicked opens the *Status Information* screen. *Status Information* includes grant/application information such as status history, study section, contacts, etc. Refer to *Status Information* on page 490 for more information.

If multiple PIs exist on the project, an MPI indicator appears next to the application ID.

Grants.gov Tracking

This column shows the number assigned when the application was submitted electronically to Grants.gov. This is a non-sortable field.

Proposal Title

The project name submitted on the application is displayed in this column.

PD/PI Name

This is the Contact PI on the application.

eSubmission Status

The submission status of the application.

Current Application Status

This column displays the status of the application. To see a list of each application status, see https://www.era.nih.gov/docs/era_status_codes.pdf.

Status Date

The date on which the current status was set.

Available Actions (buttons)

Use the buttons in the actions column to access other modules or features within Commons. Available actions vary depending on the application. Possible actions include:

RPPR

Opens the *RPPR Menu* screen for editing or submitting a Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR). Refer to *Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Module* on page 315.

Public Access PRAM

Opens the *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen for submitting Public Access PRAM. Refer to *Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Module* on page 315.

Agency Requested PRAM

Opens the *Progress Report Additional Materials (PRAM)* screen for submitting IC Requested PRAM. Refer to *Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Module* on page 315.

Fellowship Face Page

Displays for Fellowship Awards only

Progress Report Face Page

Only for paper grants not SNAP eligible

JIT

This link is displayed for applications eligible to submit Just In Time materials. Clicking the link opens the *Just In Time* screen. Refer to *Just in Time (JIT) Screen* on page 538.

Extension

This link opens the No-Cost Extension (NCE) feature. Refer to *No-Cost Extension (NCE) for NIH Grants* on page 557.

Closed

This link opens the *Closeout Status* screen, which provides information on a closed grant. Refer to *Closeout Status* on page 579.

Requires Closeout

This link opens the *Closeout Status* screen, which provides a means for uploading the required documents for closeout. Refer to *Closeout Status* on page 579.

Transmittal Sheet

Opens the Transmittal Sheet on which is listed the institution name, proposal title, PI name, grant number, accession number, and proposal receipt date.

Administrative Supplement

For grants having at least one administrative supplement request either in progress or submitted, but not reviewed. This link is used to view the status of the request.

Relinquishing Statement

Used to access the feature for editing and re-routing the electronic relinquishing statement

Sandy Quarterly Report

For grants identified as NIH Hurricane Sandy Recovery awards. The link opens the *Sandy Quarterly Report* for editing, saving, and/or submission.

Human Subjects

Provides access to the Human Subjects System (HSS) for viewing and managing inclusion enrollment data for off-cycle reporting, before the progress report is due. This link is available only for those grants requiring inclusion data. For more information about HSS via Status, refer to the separate Human Subjects System Online Help.

IMPORTANT: To submit inclusion enrollment data with a progress report, HSS must be accessed via the RPPR *Section G. Special Reporting Requirements* rather than through the **Inclusion** link in the Status module. Refer to the <u>NIH and Other PHS Agency Research</u> <u>Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Instruction Guide</u> for more information.

TIP: Use the **Export** buttons –located at the top and bottom of the screen– to view the information in an Excel spreadsheet.

To return to the search screen, click the **Return to PI Search** link at the top of the page.

Searching by Grants.gov Tracking Number

To search for an application by its Grants.gov tracking number, enter the tracking number (including the word 'GRANT'; example: GRANT12345678) into the **Tracking Number** field of the **Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num** section and click the **Search** button.

Status: PI Search The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA Service Desk .
The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.
Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official
List of Applications/Awards
 Funded Awards Successfully submitted applications, both paper and electronic Review assignment status, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award Other Commons features (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num
Enter the Grants.gov Tracking Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application Tracking Number Search

Figure 198: Search by Grants.gov Tracking Number

The *Status Result - List of Applications/Awards* screen returns only the application matching the entered tracking number. Action buttons for the award appear if applicable.

To return to the search screen, click the **Return to PI Search** link at the top of the page.

Status Result - List	of Applications/Award	s 😮	
GRANT13131313			
Application/Award ID 5H79SM080808-05	Grants.gov Tracking Number GRANT13965292	Proposal Title Services and Supports for Homele	ss
PD/PI Name SHOW, LIA (PI) Correspondence View Ter	eSubmission Status Submission Complete ms Tracking	Current Application Status Awarded. Non-fellowships only	Status Date 01/05/2024

Figure 199: Grants.gov Tracking Number Search Results in Status with applicable action buttons outlined

Using Status View for Pls

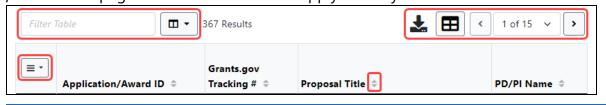
The PI view of Status shows applications and awards search results in either a **Grouped View** or a **Flat View** view, with a check mark next the current view. Click the view names to toggle between them.



Figure 200: Grouped View and Flat View buttons in Status for PIs

Flat view shows all applications and awards in a table of search results, while grouped view shows applications awards grouped by the grant family (related awards that share the same application/award ID).

TIP: Table tools might include the ability to: filter results; show/hide columns; download to Excel or print; specify number of visible records; navigate through tables of data; select and unselect records in bulk; and sort. Table tools are described in *Standard Tools for Tables* on page 109. Not all table tools apply to every table.



How Does a PI Track Submission Status?

The designated *Contact PD/PI* can view status information relating to newly submitted applications during the "viewing window" (the first two business days after submission up to the submission deadline).

After the deadline, any applications which remains in the Pending status will also be visible. **NOTE:** A PI can grant a Commons user with the ASST role to access the Status module. ASST users granted this authority can view the status results as the PI would, however, the ASST user does not have access to the links found in the **Action** column. See *Direct Delegations* on page 198 for information on delegating Status.

Steps to access status information:

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your principal investigator (PI) account username and password.
- 2. <u>Navigate to the Status module</u> and then expand the "Recent/Pending eSubmissions" search option by clicking its heading or arrow.

Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official

3. The next screen displays the search results.

Status Resu	lt - Recent/Pen	ding eSubr	missions 😮 🚺			
-			n by Grants.gov Tracking # ling eSubmissions menu ta		nding eSubmissions. If you	do not see a complete
Grants.gov Tracking#	Application/Award ID	eSubmission Status	Proposal Title	PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status Date	Show All Prior Errors
GRANT00808089	AN:4961534	Pending Verification	Type 7 - P01CA108671	HOFLD, RONA	03/27/2024 09:20:13	Show Errors and Warnings

To return to the main Status screen, click the **Return to PI Search** link at the top of the page.

The following information is included in the table:

Grants.gov Tracking

This is the number assigned when the application was submitted electronically to Grants.gov.

Application/Award ID

A unique value assigned to applications before an NIH grant number is assigned

eSubmission Status

This shows the status of approval for the application.

Proposal Title

This is the project name submitted on the application.

NOTE: In the **Proposal Title** field, the designation of NFP (no further processing) is added to the application title to indicate that the application will not be referred for review.

PD/PI Name

This is the Contact PI on the application.

eSubmission Status Date

This is the date of the latest status update.

Show All Prior Errors

Clicking **Show Errors and Warnings** opens the *Errors/Warnings for Prior Failed eSubmissions* screen and displays any errors or warnings received for the application during eSubmission.

For the purposes of eSubmission tracking, perform the following from the search results:

1. Check the **eSubmission Status** column to determine if your application status is *"eSubmission Error"* or *"Pending Verification"* or *"Rejected"*.

NOTE: Errors *will* stop the submission process and require a <u>change/corrected</u> <u>application</u> but warnings will not. It is still critical to check the warning messages to ensure that the issue referenced does not apply to your application.

2. Use one of the two following methods to view the error messages and warnings.

- To view error messages and warnings, click the **Show Errors and Warnings** button from the **Show All Prior Errors** column to the right.
- Method 2: If status is "Pending Verification", select the Accession Number (AN:#######) displayed in the Application/Award ID column to open the *Status Information* page. Submission errors or warnings are displayed at the top of the *Status Information* page during the two day review period before the submission deadline. Refer to *Status Information* on page 490 for more information on this screen.

Bypassing the 2-Business-Day Application Viewing Window for

Administrative Supplements

After submitting an application, signing officials (SO) normally have a two-business-day viewing window to check the application and <u>revise</u> or reject (withdraw) it. After the viewing window has elapsed, the application automatically becomes available to receipt and referral staff for further processing. While this viewing window is appropriate for competing applications, organizations submitting a non-competitive administrative supplement might want to skip the window and have the application available to be processed immediately.

To facilitate this, SOs can choose to bypass the two-business-day viewing window for non-competitive administrative supplement applications only. Signing officials use the *Status* module to search for the application and select the **Verify** action, which verifies that the organization wants the application to be immediately routed to receipt and referral staff.

After an SO bypasses the viewing window via the **Verify** action, the administrative supplement is immediately released to receipt and referral staff. Additionally, the PI, with a cc to the SO, receives an email notifying them of the bypass action and of submission. Once receipt and referral staff is done processing, the PI for the project will typically receive an email notification of rejections or acceptance.

See guide notice <u>NIH Offers Ability to Bypass 2-Business Day Application Viewing Win</u>dow as an Option for Administrative Supplements.

To bypass the two-day viewing window for an administrative supplement (SO only):

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as a signing official.
- <u>Navigate to the Status module</u> and select **Recent/Pending eSubmissions** from the **Search Type** dropdown.

The Recent/Pending Submission search screen appears.

- Enter criteria to find the application you wish to expedite and click Search.
 For instance, you could set the Received Date Range fields to include today's date or eSubmission Status to Pending Verification. Only administrative supplement applications submitted in the last two days include the Verify action.
- 4. On the application you wish to expedite, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **Verify**.

Recent/Per	nding eSubmis	ssions 🕜			
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		ex	123456		
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Filter Table		24 Results		*	< 1 of 1 ~ >
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ID \$	Tracking # 🍦	Status ≑	Proposal Title 🌻	Name ≑	Status Date 👻
AN:4961954	GRANT00808084	Pending Verification	Detection of Cancer	MOESS, JICA	05/08/2024 11:43:07
s	how Prior Errors and	Warnings on Error	Therapeutic Approaches to Addiction	ZHOISE, WEIESS	05/08/2024 09:10:37
	eject eApplication		Stem Cell Therapy	VASWAP, ISENA	05/01/2024 08:51:48
AN:49618.0			Drug Monitoring	MIESS, JICA	04/24/2024 13:01:48

Figure 201: Recent/Pending eSubmissions search results showing Verify action

A popup asks you if you are sure you want to skip the two-day viewing window and warns that the application will move to the next stage of processing and cannot be revised.



5. Click **Yes** in the *Confirmation* popup window.

The administrative supplement immediately becomes available for agency staff to start processing the application.

Status Information

Status Information is a collection of grant information and links to grant-related documents stored in one place. *Status Information* is accessed by clicking the **Application Number** (link) from any result screen in the Status module.

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e: 301-555-5555 I: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>	Status Application awarded.	Project Title Implication of (Graft vs. Tumor	
-	PI Name	NIH Appl. ID		Application ID
inistration: Grants Management ialist (GMS)	Mopour, Scott	10101010		1 K99 HL111111-01
e: Giulder, Roald	✓ Status			
ne: 301.555-5555 I: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>	Status	Last Status Up	odate Date	
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e: Cauzo, Napen	Mopour, Scott	HEALTH RESEA	RCH	10101010
e: 301-555-5555 I: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>		School Name School Catego	bry	
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endent Clinical Trial Not Allowed)	03/05/2021	03/02/2021		
	Project Period End Date 02/28/2023			
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via Web or voice mail will be	Summary Statement			
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	Notice(s) of Grant Award (PDF) Abstract (Awarded Grant)	<u>03/02/2021</u>		
	Just In Time	08/18/2020 Tin	nes Revised(1)	
	eSubmission Cover Letter	<u></u>		
	eSubmission-PHS Assignment R	lequest Form		
	✓ Additions for Review			
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	Application	Study Section		Advisory Council (AC)
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	FSR Accepted Code: N	2020/10	eting Date (TTTT/WW);	Meeting Time: 10:00
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Figure 202: Status Information Screen

The screen displays the following sections of information:

Contacts: Names, phone numbers, and email addresses for grant-related contacts. Contacts appears in the upper left.

The Name, Phone, and Email displays for the following contacts:

- Scientific Review Officer (SRO*)
- Grants Management Specialist (GMS)
- Program Official (PO)

Contacts
Administration: Scientific Review Officer (SRO) Name: Admin, SRO Phone: 301-555-5555 Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>
Administration: Grants Management Specialist (GMS) Name: Specialist, GM Phone: Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>
Administration: Program Official (PO) Name: Official, Program Phone: 301-555-5555 Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>

Figure 203: Contacts Section of Status Information

Latest Update: Displays the latest changes affecting the application.

Latest Update

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Progress Report Due Date:
05/01/2023
Application Source: RPPR
Opportunity Number: [RFA-AG-
20-001] - Centers on Aging
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eRA Service Desk: This section contains the contact information and operating hours for the Service Desk. The Service Desk can address most technical, functional, and account-related questions.

eRA Service Desk
Hours: Monday-Friday, 7:00 AM-8:00 PM EDT/EST
Web: https://www.era.nih.gov/need-help
Toll-free: 866-504-9552
Phone: 301-402-7469
Contact initiated outside of business hours via Web or voice mail will be returned the next business day.

Screen Tools: Under the title of the screen (Status Information) is a row that contains tools to manage the screen content.



- Filter provides a text field that is used to search for specific content on the screen. This tool does not search the previously listed sections on the left of the page (Contacts, Latest Update, or eRA Service Desk)
- **Expand All** and **Collapse All** affects each of the sections under the screen title except the application information section. **Expand All** opens all of the remaining sections to show all of the contents of that section. **Collapse All** hides the content of those sections and only show the title of the section. This applies to;
 - Status
 - Other Relevant Documents
 - ° Additions for Review

- Institute/Center Assignment
- Status History
- Awards
- Reference Letters

NOTE: Individual sections may be expanded or collapsed individually.

• **Print** initiates a print of all of the content of the screen in a print-friendly format. The content in collapsible sections will print regardless of whether or not the sections are expanded or collapsed.

Application Information: At the top of the screen, under the screen tools, is a section which contains the following application information:

- Application number
- Status. To see a list of each application status, see <u>https://www.era.ni-h.gov/docs/era_status_codes.pdf</u>.
- Project Title
- PI Name
- NIH Appl. ID
- Application ID

1 K99 HL111111-01		
Status Application awarded.	Project Title Implication of Graft vs. Tumor	
PI Name Mopour, Scott	NIH Appl. ID 1010.1010	Application ID 1 K99 HL111111-01

Status: Includes basic information describing the current disposition of the application using the following data points:

- Current Status of the Application. For a list of possible application statuses, see https://www.era.nih.gov/docs/era_status_codes.pdf.
- Last Status Update Date
- PI Name
- Institution Name
- NIH Appl. ID
- School Name

- School Category
- Division Name
- Department Name
- Proposal Receipt Date
- Proposal Title
- Project Period Begin Date
- Project Period End Date
- Current Award Notice Date
- Application Source
- eApplication Status
- FOA

Status	Last Status Update Date	
Application awarded.	03/02/2021	
Pl Name	Institution Name	NIH Appl. ID
Mopour, Scott	HEALTH RESEARCH	1010.1010
	School Name	
	School Category	
	Division Name	
	Department Name	
Proposal Receipt Date	Proposal Title	
02/11/2020	Implication of Graft vs. Tumor	
Project Period Begin Date	Current Award Notice Date	
03/05/2021	03/02/2021	
Project Period End Date		
02/28/2023		
Application Source	eApplication Status	
Grants.gov	Submission Complete	
FOA		
PA19-1301 - NIH Pathway to Inde	pendence Award (Parent K99/R00 -	

NOTE: In the **Proposal Title** field, *NFP* (no further processing) is added to the application title to indicate that the application will not be referred for review.

Other Relevant Documents: Includes links to grant-related documents.

The following links may be available within **Other Relevant Documents** depending on the application/grant:

- Abstract
- Administrative Supplement(s)
- Appendix 1 10 Submitted File Name
- Closeout Final Report Additional Material Request (FRAM)
- Component Appendices
- e-Application
- Final Invention Statement
- Final Research Performance Progress Report (Final RPPR)
- Fellowship Proposal Face Page
- FRAM Submission
- Institute/Center Progress Report Additional Material Request
- Just in Time
- FFR/FSR
- Notices of Grant Award
- Multi Year Progress Report(s)
- Notices of Grant Award (PDF)
- Progress Report Face Page
- Progress Report Additional Material (PRAM)
- Relinquishing Statement(s)
- Research Performance Progress Report
- Summary Statement
- Unfunded Progress Report
- xTrain Training Appointment(s)
- xTrain Termination Notice(s)

imes Other Relevant Documents	
e-Application	
Summary Statement	
Latest NGA	
Notice(s) of Grant Award (PDF)	03/02/2021
Abstract (Awarded Grant)	
Just In Time	08/18/2020 Times Revised(1)
eSubmission Cover Letter	
eSubmission-PHS Assignment Request Form	

Additions for Review: Contains supplemental documents/files that were provided to the SRO to further support the application and/or individual sections.

✓ Additions for Revie	w		
			Document Event Log
Group	Document	Grant/Subproject	Date
Accepted Publication	NEWS OF PUBLICATION	K99 HL111111-01	Wed May 06 16:00:04 EDT 2020

Review: This section contains the following subsections and content:

- Application:
 - Award Document Number
 - FSR Accepted Code
 - Snap Indicator Code
 - Impact Score (PI only)
 - Percentile (PI only)
 - Early Stage Investigator Eligible
 - New Investigator Eligible
 - Eligible for FFATA Reporting

• Study Section

- Scientific Review Group
- Council Meeting Date
- Meeting Date
- Meeting Time

 Study Roster: If available, a View Meeting Roster link opens a PDF of the meeting roster for the meeting who reviewed this application.

• Advisory Council

- Meeting Date
- Meeting Time

pplication	Study Section	Advisory Council (AC)
Award Document Number:	Scientific Review Group: MTI (OA)	Meeting Date: 10/27/2020
KHL111111A	Council Meeting Date (YYYY/MM):	Meeting Time: 10:00
FSR Accepted Code: N	2020/10	
Snap Indicator Code: Y	Meeting Date: 06/10/2020	
Impact Score: 28	Meeting Time: 09:00	
Percentile:	Study Roster: View Meeting Roster	
Early Stage Investigator Eligible:		
New Investigator Eligible:		
Eligible for FFATA Reporting: Yes		

Institute/Center Assignment: Displays the assignment history for the application.

The following information is displayed within **Institute or Center Assignment**:

- Institute or Center
- Assignment Date

/ Institute/Center Assignment	
nstitute or Center	Assignment Date
NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE	02/19/2020
NATIONAL HEART, LUNG, AND BLOOD INSTITUTE (Primary)	02/11/2020
NATIONAL HEART, LUNG, AND BLOOD INSTITUTE (Primary)	02/19/2020
IATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ALLERGY AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES	02/19/2020

Status History: Provides a history of the life of the application from submitted to awarded.

The following is displayed within **Status History**:

- Effect Date
- Status Message

Effect	
Date	Status Message
02/25/2021	Award prepared: refer questions to Grants Management Specialist.
11/10/2020	Pending administrative review. Refer any questions to Program Official or Grants Management Specialist.
10/29/2020	Council review completed.
06/12/2020	Scientific Review Group review completed: Council review pending. Refer any questions to the Program Official or Grants Management Specialist.
02/24/2020	Scientific Review Group review pending.
02/11/2020	Application entered into system

Awards: Details on awarded dollar amounts.

The following award dollar information is available:

- Direct Amount
- Facilities and Administrative
- Fee Amount
- Total Amount

\sim Awards			
Direct Amount	Facilities And Administrative	Fee Amount	Total Amount
\$109,133	\$8,731	\$0	\$117,864

Reference Letter(s): A list of submitted references letters.

If there are associated reference letters, the following information is available.

- Referee Name
- Organization Affiliation
- Department
- Email

• Submitted

	ference Letters associated with this particular A Reference Letters section on eRA Commons	pplication. Principal Inve	stigator can see a list of all Refer	ence Letters within
Referee Name	Organization/Affiliation	Department	EMail	Submitted Date
Leem, Keln	Comprehensive Cancer Center	Immunology	eRATest401718@mail.nih.gov	02/06/2020
Dibrams, Scovi	Comprehensive Cancer Center	Immunology	eRATest401737@mail.nih.gov	02/06/2020
Fonick, Landra	Comprehensive Cancer Center	Cell Stress Biology	eRATest401897@mail.nih.gov	02/07/2020

Pls can also view reference letter information in the Reference Letter section of their Personal Profile. Refer to the <u>Reference Letters</u> topic of the Commons online help system for more information.

Award Terms. Optionally, an Award Terms section might appear.

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Þ	Closeout Requirements			Not Tracked	
	Continuation Award			Not Tracked	
•	Programmatic Progress Reports	End of Year Report	10/30/2022	Unresolved	
•	Programmatic Progress Reports	Mid Year Report	04/30/2022	In-Review	04/29/2022
•	REPORTING REQUIREMENTS			Not Tracked	
	Standard Terms for Awards			Not Tracked	

If you click Term Tracker, you see the View Terms Tracking Details screen; see Viewing Award Terms Tracking from Status Module.

TIP: *Other Transaction Authority (OTA) - Some screens and terminology may be different in order to accommodate review of OTA, a type of award that is neither a grant nor a contract but a different way of funding that is being used across NIH. These changes will typically not be visible to NIH or agency reviewers.

Additions for Review

As the applicant, after submitting an application, you might send your scientific review officer (SRO*) additional material that either clarifies or supplements information found on the original submission. When the SRO uploads this material, it is available to you via the *Status Information* screen.

See the Additions for Review section of Status Information to see additional

material. This screen provides links to the additional material along with other associated information.

imes Additions for Review			
			Document Event Log
Group	Document	Grant/Subproject	Date
Accepted Publication	NEWS OF PUBLICATION	K99 HL111111-01	Wed May 06 16:00:04 EDT 2020

Figure 204: Additions for Review from Status Information

In this section, you can find information specific to the uploaded material(s):

• Group

Displays the category to which the item belongs. Categories include Updated Pages; Supplemental Material; Collaboration Letters; Modified Budget Pages; Accepted Publication; Biographical Sketches; and Other.

Document

Displays the document file name as a link, which opens the uploaded document. This document can be viewed, updated, and saved.

Grant/Subproject

Displays the award number.

• Date

The date the document was uploaded.

TIP: *Other Transaction Authority (OTA) - Some screens and terminology may be different in order to accommodate review of OTA, a type of award that is neither a grant nor a contract but a different way of funding that is being used across NIH. These changes will typically not be visible to NIH or agency reviewers.

Administrative Supplements

Clicking the **Administrative Supplement(s)** link from the **Other Relevant Documents** section of *Status Information* opens the *Administrative Supplements* screen. This screen provides read-only access to administrative supplements created for the particular grant.

Administrative Supplements are requests for (or the award of) additional funds during a current project period to provide for an increase in costs due to unforeseen circumstances.

Administrative	e Supplemer	nts 😮		
1 F30 HL010101-01A1				Appl ID: 10389736
PI Name(s) Birza, Elibeth		Project Title Quantitative		
Appl. Status Fellowship awarded		Institution UNIVERSITY	OF DIEGO	
Accession Number 4570483				
Filter Table	2 Results		*	I of 1 ∨ >
Identifying Information 🕈	Accession Number ≑	Supplement Status 🌩	Submitted Date 🗘	Comments for Grantee 🌻
3 F30 HL010101-01A1	4740593	Submitted to Agency	2022-09-01 12:00:20	
<u>3 F30 HL010101-01A1</u>	4740494	Submitted to Agency	2022-08-22 04:29:43	

Figure 205: Administrative Supplements from Status Information Screen

Below this section, you can find information specific to the administrative supplements, displayed in a table format.

The table includes the following columns of information:

• Identifying information

Displays the grant number as a link, which opens the *Administrative Supplement Request* PDF.

- Accession Number. A unique value assigned to applications before an NIH grant number is assigned
- Supplement Status
- Submitted Date
- Comments for Grantee

Clicking the **Administrative Supplement History** link from the **Other Relevant Documents** section of *Status Information* opens the *Administrative Supplement History* screen. This screen provides read-only history of administrative supplements created for the particular grant.

3 K01 HL020202-0251	l			Appl ID: 10170881
Pl Name(s) Ravias, Rauel		Project Title HIV-related Comorbid	ities	
Appl. Status Awarded. Non-fellowsh	ips only.	Institution NEW UNIVERSITY		
Accession Number 4440376				
		<u>S1</u>		
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Viewing Agency Requested PRAM from Status Information

After submitting Agency Requested PRAM, users can view the PRAM via the Status Information screen.

To see submitted PRAM via the Status Information screen:

- 1. Use the Status module to look up an award.
- 2. Click the award/application ID, which opens the award or application's *Status Information* screen.
- 3. Under **Other Relevant Documents**, click the PRAM link.

The Progress Report Additional Materials file opens as a PDF document. The file has a header for each PRAM submission followed by the documents that were uploaded and submitted. If multiple submissions of PRAM were completed, the additional materials are separated in the document with the most recent submission displayed first followed by earlier submissions

Viewing Public Access PRAM for Multi-Year Funded Awards

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Public Access PRAM is not applicable for DOC awards.

After submitting Public Access PRAM for multi-year funded awards, users can view the PRAM via the *Status Information* screen.

To see submitted PRAM via the Status Information screen:

- 1. Use the Status module to look up an award.
- 2. Click the award/application ID, which opens the award or application's *Status Information* screen.
- 3. Under **Other Relevant Documents**, click the PRAM link.

The Progress Report Additional Materials file opens as a PDF document. The file has a header for each PRAM submission followed by the documents that were uploaded and

submitted. If multiple submissions of PRAM were completed, the additional materials are separated in the document with the most recent submission displayed first followed by earlier submissions.

Viewing a Submitted Relinquishing Statement from Status Information (PI or SO)

A relinquishing statement is part of the Change of Institution process allowing an extramural grantee institution to transfer an active grant to another institution.

Once a relinquishing statement has been submitted to the agency, you can view a readonly version of it from the Commons *Status Information* screen. SOs can also view the relinquishing statement by searching in Status using the **Relinquishing Statement** search type and then selecting the **Search for Awards** option, then selecting the **View Relinquishing Statement** action on a grant; see *Deleting a Relinquishing Statement or Viewing a Read-Only Copy (SO)* on page 708.

To view the submitted form via the *Status Information* screen:

- 1. On any Status search screen (for PI or SO), search for an award that you know has a submitted relinquishing statement.
- 2. For the award, click the **Application/Award ID**, which takes you to the *Status Information* screen.

The *Status Information* screen appears.

2. From the *Status Information* screen, click the **Relinquishing Statement** link under Other Relevant Documents.

Contacts	Status Information 😮	
Administration: Scientific Review	Filter X	Expand All Collapse All 🖨 Print
Officer (SRO) Name: Yeli, Ali A Phomes (201) 555-0552	1 R01 GM 010101-01A1	
Phone: (301) 555-0552 Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>	Status Project Title Council review completed. Transcription	
Administration: Grants Management Specialist (GMS) Name: Murnni, Coe Phone: 301-555-0233	PI Name NIH Appl. ID Waxei, Doseev and accept and accep	Application ID 1 R01 GM010101-01A1
Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u> Administration: Program Official	> Status	
(PO) Name: Adial, Ronam Phone: 301 555 4511	✓ Other Relevant Documents	
Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>	e-Application	
Latest Update	Summary Statement eSubmission Cover Letter	
Application Source: Grants.gov FOA: [PA20-185] - NIH Research Project Grant (Parent R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)	eSubmission-PHS Assignment Request Form Relinquishing Statement(s)	

Figure 206: Status Information Screen Displaying the Relinquishing Statement link

The *Relinquishing Statements* screen appears.

Relinquishing Statements 😮									
1 R01 GM010101-01A1			Appl ID: 10438333						
Pi Name(s) Waxei, Doseev		Project Title Transcription							
Appl. Status Council review completed		Institution UNIVERSITY OF DIEGO							
Accession Number 4596752									
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Document Name ≑	Status ≑	Submitted Date 🔺	Comments for Grantee 🌻						
Relinquishing Statement	Submitted to Agency	2022-10-05 10:56:54 AM							

Figure 207: Relinquishing Statements Screen

3. Click the **Relinquishing Statement** link to view the Relinquishing Statement PDF.

Closeout FRAM Requests

Clicking the link for Closeout Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) Request in the **Other Relevant Documents** section of *Status Information* opens the *Closeout FRAM Requests* screen. You can see your submitted FRAM documents either by clicking the Latest FRAM <date> link in Other Relevant Documents, or by clicking the linked date on the Closeout FRAM Requests screen below.

✓ Other Relevant Documents						
e-Application						
Latest NGA						
Notice(s) of Grant Award (PDF)	08/10/2021					
Closeout Final Report Additional N	Materials (FRAM) Request					
Latest FRAM	10/25/2022					

	Appl ID: 10342516
Project Title	
State Opioid Response	
Institution	
DEPT/HEALTH/HUMAN SERVS	
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1) Submission: <u>10/25/2022</u>	
	State Opioid Response Institution DEPT/HEALTH/HUMAN SERVS

Figure 208: Closeout FRAM Requests from Status Information

Department of Commerce (DOC) Processes

Accepting or Declining a DOC Award

Department of Commerce (DOC) awardees are required to formally accept or decline an award after receiving the Notice of Award. By accepting an award, the awardee institution agrees to all Terms and Conditions provided in the Notice of Award.

Only a signing official (SO) can accept or decline an award on behalf of the awardee institution. The SO has the opportunity to enter comments for agency personnel when either accepting or declining an award (optional).

To review the Notice of Award prior to accepting its terms, an SO can search for the award via the Status module, and then click the linked **Application/Award ID**. This opens the *Status Information* on page 490 screen for the award. Check for the Notice of Award in the *Other Relevant Documents* section.

This procedure is for DOC awards only. Non-DOC awards do not require formal acceptance; drawing funds on the award is considered acceptance.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC) users: Please see <u>Applicant and Grantee Training</u> for more information (https://www.commerce.gov/ocio/programs/gems/applicant-and-grantee-training).

Accepting or Declining a DOC Award

Only a signing official can accept or decline an award.

- 1. Log in to eRA Commons; see *Logging into eRA Commons* on page 62.
- 2. Navigate to the Status module.
- 3. Use Status search options to search for the award; see *Status Search for SOs* on page 458.

For instructions on how to use the **Awarding Office/IC** button to limit searches to specific grantor organizations, see *Searching for Awards by Awarding Office/IC (Search Criteria)* on page 117.

4. In Status search results, click the award's three-dot ellipsis menu and select

Accept/Decline Award.

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Search Type		neral	~ 😧							
Search type	. Ge	leral	. 0							
Type A	ctivity Code	IC/Institute	Serial #	Support Yr.	Suffix					
ex: 5	ex: R01 🔹	ex: GM 🔹	ex: 123456	ex: 01	ex: A1					
Project Number			Awarding Offic	e/IC						
NA23OARX000G00	006		Change Select	tions None						
PD/PI Last Name			PD/PI First Nan	ne						
ex: Smith			ex: John							
Budget Start Date F	Range		Budget End Dat	te Range						
MM/DD/YYYY	to MM	/DD/YYYY 🛗	MM/DD/YYYY	to MN	1/DD/YYYY 🛗					
Application Status			Grants.gov Trac	cking Number						
Select all that apply		•	ex: ED-GRANT	S-123456-001						
				Clear Fo	rm Q Search					
Status Result	6									
Status Result	- Genera	Search 🚱								
Filter Table	Π	I ▼ 1 Results						*		1 of 1 👻 >
Application/Award	ID \$	Grants.gov Tracking # 🌲	Proposal Title 🗧	÷	PD/PI Name ≑	Application Status \$	Project Period Start -	Project Period End ≑	Budget Period Start ≑	Budget Period End \$
NA23OARX000G000	06-T1-0 ⁷	GRANT00000000	UAT test for Non	-research	Glaspher,	Awarded. Non-	12/27/2023	12/27/2028	12/27/2023	12/26/2024
	V	iew Terms Tracking			Khris	fellowships only				
		heck eSubmission E		1						
		ccept/Decline Awar	d	J						
		evision Request								
	C	orrespondence								

Figure 209: Accept/Decline Award option in Status search results under three-dot ellipsis menu

The Accept or Decline Award screen appears.

us			
Back to Status Search Results			
Accept or Decline Awa	ard		
Award Details			
Award Number	Project Period	GMS Name	
NA23OARX000G0006-T1-01	12/27/2023 - 12/27/2028	Lon, Donarch	
PD/PI Name	Grantee Organization		
Glaspher, Khris	UNIVERSITY OF DIEGO		
Project Title			
UAT test for Non-research			
			Pecline

Figure 210: Accept or Decline Award screen with Decline and Accept buttons outlined

5. Click either the **Accept** or **Decline** button.

You see one of the following popups.

Accept Award Number NA23OARX000G0006-T1-01	Decline Award Number NA23OARX000G0006-T1-01
By accepting this award, you agree to all "Terms and Conditions" provided in the Notice of Award. If you have any questions about this award, please go back to Status Search Results and select "Correspondence" to contact your Grants Management: Specialist and Program Officer. Comments	By declining this award, you will no longer be entitled to the funding authorized in this award and the Notice of Award will become null and void. This action is not reversible. Comments
2000 characters remaining	Gancel 🗣 Decline
Cancel 🖬 Accept	<u></u>

Figure 211: Accept Award and Decline Award popups

6. Optionally enter comments to agency personnel and click the **Accept** or **Decline** button in the popup.

A green success banner appears on the *Accept or Decline Awards* screen and the **Accept** and **Decline** buttons are now grayed out (disabled).

Revision Requests for DOC Awards

Department of Commerce awardees can initiate a revision request to make changes to an existing award. DOC awardees fill out a form, providing a description and justification for the change, and then submit the form for the awarding agency's evaluation. This feature is for Department of Commerce awardees only. This feature can be used to assign a principal investigator/program director (PI/PD) to an award.

To make a change to an existing award, a DOC awardee signing official uses the Status module to search for the award, and then chooses **Revision Request** from the award's three-dot ellipsis menu in the search results.

Agency-Specific Instructions: For NOAA grant recipient user resources, see https://www.noaa.gov/organization/information-technology/grant-recipient-user-resources

DOC users: Please see <u>Applicant and Grantee Training</u> for more information (https://www.commerce.gov/ocio/programs/gems/applicant-and-grantee-training).

Types of Revision Requests

The following types of revisions are available for DOC awards. Use 'Other' for any revision request that is not covered in the list. Other revision requests generate a request that requires approval by either the Program Office or the Grants Office. Items with an asterisk (*) indicate that if approved, the request would result in a new Notice of Award (NoA) being generated and sent to the awardee. For information on Research Terms and Conditions, see https://www.nsf.gov/awards/managing/rtc.jsp.

- *No Cost Extension Prior Approval Required
- No Cost Extension Prior Approval Waived (Research Terms and Conditions)
- Extension to Closeout
- *Change in Scope
- Change in Principal Investigator / Project Director
- Foreign Air Carrier for Travel

- Change in Key Person Specified in the Application
- Disengagement for More Than 3 Months, or 25% Reduction by Project Director or PI
- Satisfy Specific Conditions
- Inclusion of Costs Requiring Prior Approval in Cost Principles
- Transfer of Funds Budgeted for Participant Support Costs to Other Categories of Expense
- *Subaward, Transfer or Contract Out Work Under the Award if Not Described in the Approved Application
- Rebudget Prior Approval Required
- Rebudget Prior Approval Waived (Research Terms and Conditions)
- Pre-Award Costs More than 90 Days
- *Termination by Consent
- Submit Additional Closeout Documents
- ASAP Drawdown Request (ASAP Vendors Only)
- Other

Accessing the Revision Request Option in Status

- 1. Log in to eRA Commons; see *Logging into eRA Commons* on page 62.
- 2. Navigate to the Status module.
- 3. Signing officials use Status search options to search for the award; see *Status Search for SOs* on page 458.
- In Status search results, click the award's three-dot ellipsis menu and select **Revi**sion Request.

Status Result - General Search 🛿									
417 57 Results (filtered from 394) 1 of 3 V									
Application/Award ID 🗘		Grants.gov Tracking # 🌲	Proposal Title ≑	PD/PI Name 🌲	Application Status 🖨	Project Period Start –	Project Period End ≑	Budget Period Start ≑	Budget Period End ≑
NA23OAR0080080-T1-01	_	GRANT00000070 Revision Request Correspondence	TEST RECORD - 2023 College	Last_Name, First_Name	Pending	02/01/20 23	02/29/20 24	02/01/20 23	02/29/20 24
NA23OAR0020020-T1-01		GRANT00080800	TEST	Char,	Pending	02/01/20	02/29/20	02/01/20	02/29/20

Figure 212: Revision Request option in Status search results under three-dot ellipsis menu

Initiating and Submitting a Revision Request

Revision requests are available for DOC awards only. You can work on a revision request and save it without submitting it. See the next section, *Editing a Current Revision Request That's Not Yet Submitted* on page 516, to learn how to access a previously saved (but not yet submitted) revision request.

To initiate a revision request:

1. Access Revision Request for an award; see Accessing the Revision Request Option in Status on page 512.

The *Revision Request List* screen appears. If there are revision requests in progress, they are listed here.



Figure 213: Revision Request List screen with Initiate a New Revision Request button outlined in red

2. Click the **Initiate a New Revision Request** button to initiate a new request.

The *Revision Request* screen appears.

Home		
Revisior	n Request 😮	
	Initiate a Revision Request	
	Revision Request Sub type: *No Cost Extension - Prior Approval Required	✓ Go

Figure 214: Revision Request screen showing Revision Request Sub type dropdown

3. Choose a request type from the **Revision Request Sub type** dropdown and click the **Go** button.

The *Revision Request - Modify Request* screen appears. All types of revision requests have the same fields on the *Modify Request* screen. The **Description** and **Justification** fields are required for all requests.

Application Information		
PD/PI Name .ast_Name, First_Name	Grants Management Specialist Sam, Test eRATest@mail.nih.gov	Program Official Kennedy, Test eRATest@mail.nih.gov
PD/PI User ID	555-55-1212	555-55-1212
Project Number	Application Title	
VA23OAR0080080-T1-01	TEST RECORD - 2023 National Sea Gra	ant
nstitution	Budget Period	Project Period
DCEANOGRAPHIC NSTITUTION	02/01/2023 - 02/29/2024	02/01/2023 - 02/29/2024
Request Details		
Request ID : 30786		
Request type *	Effective Date * Descr	iption *
*No Cost Exension - I 🗸	10/25/2023 🋗	li.
Justification Document *	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not o	aracters remaining
	browse to attach up to to total PDF files, not o	exceeding one per file.
Budget Document		
ᆂ Drop file or	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not e	exceeding 6MB per file.
	nts	
Other Supporting Docume		
	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not e	exceeding 6MB per file.

Figure 215: The Request - Modify Request screen, with required Description and Justification fields outlined in red

4. Fill out the required fields (which have a red asterisk) and any optional fields. The Justification document is required. You can upload up to 10 files per upload type (10 for Justification, 10 for Budget, and so on.) Request History contains a record of

when you or other colleagues previously saved the request.

- 5. Save or Submit the request.
 - To save the information and come back to it later, click **Save**. If you save it, you can edit and submit it later; see *Editing a Current Revision Request That's Not Yet Submitted* on page 516.
 - To submit it to the awarding agency for consideration, click **Submit**. A *Confirmation* popup appears; click **Yes**. A green bar appears on the *Revision Request List* screen indicating successful submission.

Editing a Current Revision Request That's Not Yet Submitted

If you or a colleague previously started a revision request but saved (not submitted) it, you can go back to it and edit it. Then you can save or submit it.

1. Access Revision Request for an award; see Accessing the Revision Request Option in Status on page 512.

The *Revision Request List* screen appears. Existing in-progress revision requests are listed here.



Figure 216: Continue with Request option in Status search results under the threedot ellipsis menu

2. Click the three-dot ellipsis menu for an existing request and select **Continue with Request**.

The Revision Request - Modify Request screen appears.

Application Information		
PD/PI Name Last_Name, First_Name PD/PI User ID	Grants Management Specialist Sam, Test eRATest@mail.nih.gov 555-55-1212	Program Official Kennedy, Test eRATest@mail.nih.gov 555-55-1212
Project Number NA23OAR0080080-T1-01	Application Title TEST RECORD - 2023 National Sea Gra	
I nstitution DCEANOGRAPHIC NSTITUTION	Budget Period 02/01/2023 - 02/29/2024	Project Period 02/01/2023 - 02/29/2024
Request Details		
Request ID : 30786		
Request type * *No Cost Exension - F 💙	10/25/2023 🛗	iption *
Justification Document *		
🛓 Drop file or	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not o	exceeding 6MB per file.
Budget Document		
ᆂ Drop file or	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not	exceeding 6MB per file.
Other Supporting Docume	nts	
ᆂ Drop file or	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not	exceeding 6MB per file.

Figure 217: The Request - Modify Request screen, with required Description and Justification fields outlined in red

3. Fill out or edit the required fields (which have a red asterisk) and any optional fields.

4. You can view or remove uploaded files by clicking an uploaded file's three-dot ellipsis menu and selecting **View** or **Delete**.

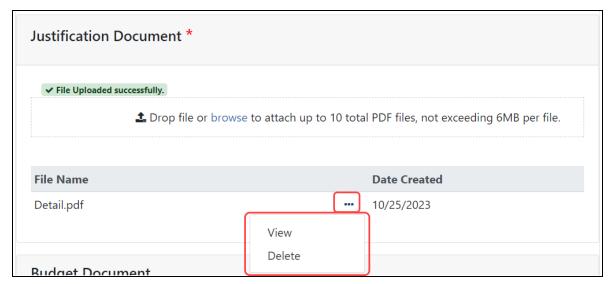


Figure 218: Justification Document section with View and Delete options and threedot ellipsis menu outlined in red

- 5. Save or Submit the request.
 - To save the information and come back to it later, click **Save**. If you save it, you can edit and submit it later; see *Editing a Current Revision Request That's Not Yet Submitted* on page 516.
 - To submit it to the awarding institution for consideration, click **Submit**. A *Confirmation* popup appears; click **Yes**. A green bar appears on the *Revision Request List* screen indicating successful submission.

Deleting a Revision Request

Once you initiate a revision request (even if you click **Cancel** on the revision request form), it is stored in draft form and is listed on the *Revision Request List* screen as an in-progress request.

If you or a colleague previously started a revision request and saved (not submitted) it, you can go back to it and delete.

1. Access Revision Request for an award; see Accessing the Revision Request Option in Status on page 512.

The Revision Request List screen appears, listing existing revision requests.

	Revision Request List Existing Revision Requests for Year 1: NA23OAR4170083-T1-01									
Filter Tabl	e	1 Results	-		1 of 1 ♥ >					
Request				Submit						
ID 👻	Project Tit	le ≑	Request Type 🌻	Date 🌻	Status 🌻					
30784	TEST RECO Continue with	RD - 2023 National Sea Grant	*No Cost Exension - Prior Approval Required	10/19/2023	In Progress					
			Cancel	Initiate a New Re	vision Request					

Figure 219: Continue with Request option in Status search results under the threedot ellipsis menu

2. Click the three-dot ellipsis menu for an existing request and select **Continue with Request**.

The Revision Request - Modify Request screen appears.

Application Information		
PD/PI Name	Grants Management Specialist	Program Official
Last_Name,	Sam, Test	Kennedy, Test
First_Name	eRATest@mail.nih.gov	eRATest@mail.nih.gov
PD/PI User ID	555-55-1212	555-55-1212
Project Number	Application Title	
NA23OAR0080080-T1-01	TEST RECORD - 2023 National Sea Gra	nt
Institution	Budget Period	Project Period
DCEANOGRAPHIC	02/01/2023 - 02/29/2024	02/01/2023 - 02/29/2024
NSTITUTION		
Request Details		
Request ID :		
30786		
Request type *	Effective Date * Descr	iption *
*No Cost Exension - I 🗸	10/25/2023 🛗	
		li l
	200 cha	racters remaining
Justification Document *		
		exceeding 6MB per file.
🏦 Drop file or	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not	
L Drop file or Budget Document	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not	
Budget Document	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not o browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not o	exceeding 6MB per file.
Budget Document	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not o	exceeding 6MB per file.
Budget Document Drop file or Other Supporting Documen	browse to attach up to 10 total PDF files, not o	

Figure 220: The Request - Modify Request screen, with Delete button outlined in red

3. Click the **Delete** button to delete this in-progress revision request.

You cannot delete revision requests once they have been submitted to the awarding agency but you can view the submitted request; see the next section.

Viewing the Request that Was Submitted

After submitting the request to the agency, you can view the submitted request, but you cannot revoke or delete it.

1. Access Revision Request for an award; see Accessing the Revision Request Option in Status on page 512.

The Revision Request List screen appears, listing existing revision requests.

Revision Reques	st List			
Revison request has been	successfully submitted			
Existing Revision Requests for Filter Table	r Year 1: NA23OAR0080080-T1-01 2 Results		₺ 🔳	< 1 of 1 v >
Request ID 👻 Project Title	\$	Request Type 🌲	Submit Date ≑	Status 🔶
30786 TEST RECORD	9 - 2023 National College	*No Cost Exension - Prior Approval Required	10/25/2023	Submitted to Agency
	023 National Sea Grant College	*No Cost Evension -	10/19/2023	In Progress

Figure 221: Preview PDF option in Status search results under the three-dot ellipsis menu

2. Click the three-dot ellipsis menu for an existing request and select **Preview PDF**.

The form opens in the PDF viewer configured for the browser.

Initiating the Department of Commerce RPPR

The Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) module of eRA Commons is used by awardees of Department of Commerce (DOC) awards to submit research performance progress reports to DOC.

For DOC awards, the RPPR can be accessed ONLY via the RPPR action in the Status module. The *Manage RPPR* screen, which opens if you select RPPR from the Main Menu module navigation, does NOT list DOC awards. This is different from non-DOC awards, where RPPR-eligible awards are listed on the *Manage RPPR* screen.

General Information on DOC RPPR

- For an overview of RPPR, see *Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Module* on page 315.
- RPPRs are due semi-annually for DOC awards. Also, awardees submit a Final RPPR as part of the closeout process. See *Closeout Status for DOC Awards* on page 624.
- All DOC awards requiring RPPRs are multi-year.
- RPPRs should be completed/submitted in order. For example, Semi-Annual RPPR 1 must be completed before Semi-Annual RPPR 2.
- After an RPPR has been submitted, you can modify it and resubmit it. This capability to resubmit RPPRs is available for DOC awards only. If you submit a modified RPPR, it replaces the prior submitted RPPR. Once the RPPR is accepted by the agency, you can no longer resubmit.
- For DOC awards, RPPR shows an additional form named J. Misc. Documents, which is simply used to upload up to 20 documents of your choice; see *J. Misc. Documents* on page 366.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. The NIH RPPR Instruction guide, titled the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide* (<u>https://-grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf</u>), is **not applicable** to DOC awards. Consult with your DOC grants management specialist for policy questions on RPPR for your DOC award.

Initiating a Department of Commerce (DOC) RPPR

Only the principal investigator/program director (PD/PI) can initiate an RPPR and only a signing official (SO) can submit it. When there are multiple PIs (MPI), only the Contact PI can initiate the report. For DOC awards, no RPPR functionality can be delegated.

To initiate or access a DOC RPPR from the Status module:

- 1. <u>Navigate to the **Status** module</u> in eRA Commons.
- 2. Click the **List of Applications/Grants** link from the *Status* screen or from the menu options.

Status: PI Search The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA Service Desk .
The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.
Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official
List of Applications/Awards
 Funded Awards Successfully submitted applications, both paper and electronic Review assignment status, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award Other Commons features (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num
Enter the Grants.gov Tracking Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application Tracking Number Search

From the Status Result - List of Applications/Grants screen, locate the award and click the Semi-Annual RPPR x link from the Actions drop-down menu in the Available Actions column for the specific grant (use *Flat View*).
 For all awards, the link will display as Semi-Annual RPPR <X>, the <X> rep-

resenting the sequential number of the semi-annual RPPR. The RPPR link for the current reporting period becomes available on the first day of the due period and remains available until the RPPR is submitted. If, after submission, the RPPR is returned from the DOC agency to the awardee, the RPPR link becomes available again.

NOTE: If multiple RPPR links appear for an award (for example, **Semi-Annual RPPR 1**, **Semi-Annual RPPR 2**, **Semi-Annual RPPR 3**), you are prevented from initiating a progress report until the previous progress reports have been submitted.

If an RPPR exists already, Commons displays the report for editing.

If the RPPR is not yet started, the *RPPR Menu* screen displays with an **Initiate** button.

The RPPR Menu screen includes the following fields:

Award Number

This is the complete number of the award.

PD/PI Name

The PD/PI of the grant award for which the progress report is being prepared. In the case of MPIs, a list of PD/PI names displays with the Contact PD/PI indicated by the word Contact.

Project Title

The project title of the grant

Due Date

The due date of the progress report.

Current Reviewer

The name of the current reviewer or organization (e.g., PD/PI name, NIH). This value is blank before the RPPR is initiated.

Status

The current state of the progress report. Possible values are as follows: Not Started, PD/PI Work in Progress, Reviewer Work in Progress, and Submitted to Agency.

Buttons or Actions Available in Three-Dot Ellipsis Menu

Available actions, most of which are found by clicking the three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Award Number, vary depending on the status of the RPPR and/or the limitations of

the current user's role. See *RPPR Menu* on page 318 for a list of all possible buttons and actions (under the three-dot ellipsis icon) available on the RPPR Menu screen.

4. Click the Initiate button to begin the RPPR.

RPPR Menu 😮 RPPR						
Award Number	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI)	Due Date	Current Reviewer	Status		
5R01CA200000-05	BROWN, JAN	12/15/2021		Not Started		
Institution		Project Title				
UNIVERSITY OF CALIF	ORNIA	Glioblastoma				

Once initiated, Commons creates the RPPR in a *PD/PI Work in Progress* status and sets you as the current reviewer. A message displays as follows:

The RPPR has been successfully initiated.

NOTE: If initiation fails due to business rules validations, error or warning messages display on the screen.

Once initiated, begin editing by clicking the three-dot ellipsis icon next to **Award Number** and selecting **Edit RPPR**. The steps for accessing a DOC RPPR are outlined below.

Accessing a Work-in-Progress DOC RPPR

If an RPPR is already initiated, you can access it via the Status module. You can edit an RPPR only if you are the current reviewer. The PI who initiated the RPPR is automatically the current reviewer. When the RPPR is routed to someone else, that person becomes the current reviewer and can edit. See *Routing the RPPR* on page 382.

Principal Investigator

A PI navigates to the Status module, expands the award that has the RPPR, and clicks the RPPR Semi-Annual x action.

NA21OAR4010101	07/01/20 (Project P)	21 - 06/30/2024 eriod)	BETHEV (PD/PI)	W, MATT	Project: Sea	a Grant (Title)		Awarded. Non-fellow	vships only
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title		PD/PI Name	e Submission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions	
NA210AR4010101-T1-01		Sea Grant		BETHEW, MATT (PI)	Submission Complete	Awarded. Non- fellowships only	10/19/2023	Semi-Annual RPPR 3 Semi-Annual RPPR 5	Semi-Annual RPPR 4 Correspondence

Figure 222: Section of PI Status results, showing the Semi-Annual RPPR action

Signing Official

An SO navigates to the Status module, does a search to find the award, clicks the threedot ellipsis menu, and clicks the **RPPR Semi-Annual x** action.

Status Result - General	Search 3	ed from 38)			4	L 🖽	< 1 of	1 ~ >
Application/Award ID ≑	Grants.gov Tracking # 💲	Proposal Title 💠	PD/PI Name ≑	Application Status 🗘	Project Period Start 🗸	Project Period End ≑	Budget Period Start \$	Budget Period End ‡
2 5 7 8	GRANT13131313 Semi-Annual RPPR 3 Semi-Annual RPPR 4 Semi-Annual RPPR 5 Revision Request Correspondence	Sea Grant	Bethew, Matt (Contact)	Awarded. Non-fellow- ships only	07/01/202	06/30/202 4	07/01/202	06/30/202 4

How Does a PI See the Review Outcome?

Review Outcomes are found in Summary Statements. These statements are PDF documents combining reviewers' written comments and the Scientific Review Officer's (SRO*) summary of the discussion surrounding your application during the review meeting.

Policy: Scoring System and Procedure

As a PI, you can view your application's Summary Statement using the Status Information screen once it has been released by the SRO following the review meeting. If you are a

signing official and are looking for the Summary Statement, see *How Does an SO See the Review Outcome?* on page 530

To view your Summary Statement:

- 1. Log into Commons.
- 2. Navigate to the Status module.
- 3. Click the List of Applications/Grants section.

Status: PI Search

The Status screens have been updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please contact the eRA Service Desk .
The following list of applications represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissions. If you do not see a complete list of your Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.
Recent/Pending eSubmissions
 Applications that require action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion Applications that are available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion Applications that have been rejected by Signing Official
List of Applications/Awards
 Funded Awards Successfully submitted applications, both paper and electronic Review assignment status, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award Other Commons features (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/awards
Search by Grants.gov Tracking Num
Enter the Grants.gov Tracking Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application Tracking Number Search

Figure 223: List of Applications/Grants Links in Status

The results display in either a Grouped or Flat view format. You may toggle between those views as desired. The application ID will be provided as a link which, when selected, opens the *Status Information* screen.

R01AG060606	-	08/01/2019 - 02/29/2024 (Project Period)	DOW, HATFI (P	D/PI) Dementia	Determinants		varded. Non- owships only
Application/Award ID	Grants.g Tracking		PD/PI le Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
5R01AG060606-05		Dementia Determinant:	DOW, s HATFI (PI)		Awarded. Non- fellowships only	03/07/2023	Requires Closeout RPPR Human Subjects
5R01AG060606-04		Dementia Determinant:	DOW, s HATFI (PI)		Awarded. Non- fellowships only	03/07/2022	RPPR Human Subjects

Figure 224: Application ID Link

4. Select the application ID link for the specific application. For a list of possible application statuses, see https://www.era.nih.gov/docs/era_status_codes.pdf.

The *Status Information* screen displays. The *Status Information* screen includes a section called **Other Relevant Documents**. This section houses links to various application-related documents, including the Summary Statement.

5. Select the link titled Summary Statement. It will open in a separate window.



Figure 225: Summary Statement Link in Status Information

Abbreviated review information is found in the Review section of the Status Information screen. Expand this section to see the following:

- Application:
 - Award Document Number
 - FSR Accepted Code
 - Snap Indicator Code
 - Impact Score
 - Percentile
 - Early Stage Investigator Eligible
 - New Investigator Eligible
 - Eligible for FFATA Reporting

• Study Section

- ° Scientific Review Group
- Council Meeting Date
- Meeting Date
- Meeting Time
- Study Roster

Advisory Council

- Meeting Date
- Meeting Time

pplication	Study Section	Advisory Council (AC)
Award Document Number:	Scientific Review Group: MTI (OA)	Meeting Date: 10/27/2020
KHL11111A	Council Meeting Date (YYYY/MM):	Meeting Time: 10:00
FSR Accepted Code: N	2020/10	
Snap Indicator Code: Y	Meeting Date: 06/10/2020	
Impact Score: 28	Meeting Time: 09:00	
Percentile:	Study Roster: View Meeting Roster	
Early Stage Investigator Eligible:		
New Investigator Eligible:		
Eligible for FFATA Reporting: Yes		

TIP: *Other Transaction Authority (OTA) - Some screens and terminology may be different in order to accommodate review of OTA, a type of award that is neither a grant nor a contract but a different way of funding that is being used across NIH. These changes will typically not be visible to NIH or agency reviewers.

How Does an SO See the Review Outcome?

Review Outcomes are found in Summary Statements, which include bulleted critiques from assigned reviewers, a brief summary of the discussion, the overall impact score, criterion scores from assigned reviewers and more. The summary statement combines reviewers' written comments and the Scientific Review Officer's (SRO*) summary of the discussion surrounding your application during the review meeting.

As a signing official (SO) on an NIH or VA (Department of Veterans Affairs) grant, you can view summary statements for applications submitted by your institution after they are released by the SRO following the review meeting. You use the Status Information screen to see summary statements, as well as percentile (if available), impact score, and other review indicators resulting from the review. Impact scores are made available in eRA Commons ahead of the summary statement.

Policy: Scoring System and Procedure

Guide Notice:<u>NOT-OD-20-126</u>

To view a Summary Statement:

- 1. Log into eRA Commons with an SO account.
- 2. <u>Navigate to the Status module</u> and select **General** from the **Search Type** dropdown.

Search Type:	General 🗸
Type Activity ex: 5 ex: R01 Project Number	General Just in Time Recently Awarded Closeout Relinquishing Statements Recent/Pending eSubmissions Re-Assign Award ESI Eligibility Search in ASSIST

3. On the General search screen, enter criteria to find a grant application and click **Search**.

atus					
Search	Туре:	General		~ ?	
Туре	Activity Code	IC/Institute	Serial #	Support	Suffix
ex: 5	ex: R01	ex: GM ▼	ex: 1234	Yr. ex: 01	ex: A1
PD/PI Last N	Name		PD/PI First I	Name	
ex: Smith			ex: John		
Budget Star	t Date Rang	e	Budget End	Date Range	
MM/DD/Y	YYY 🛗 to	MM/DD/YYYY	MM/DD/YY	/YY🛗 to	MM/DD/YYYY
Application	Status		Grants.gov	Tracking Nu	nber
Select all the	at apply	•	ex: ED-GRA	NTS-123456	-001
				Clear Forr	m Q Search

4. In the *Status Results*, click the **Application/Award ID**.

The *Status Information* screen for the application/award appears. For a list of possible application statuses, see <u>https://www.era.nih.gov/docs/era_status_codes.pdf</u>.

 Scroll down to the Other Relevant Documents section and click the Summary Statement link, which opens the Summary Statement PDF in a separate window. This link appears only if the application has completed a peer review process and if the granting agency is NIH or VA.

✓ Other Relevant Documents	
e-Application	
Summary Statement	
Latest NGA	
Notice(s) of Grant Award (PDF)	03/02/2021
Abstract (Awarded Grant)	
Just In Time	08/18/2020 Times Revised(1)
eSubmission Cover Letter	
eSubmission-PHS Assignment Request Form	

You can see abbreviated review information, including the percentile and impact score, in the Review section of the Status Information screen.

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Award Document Number:	Scientific Review Group: MTI (OA)	Meeting Date: 10/27/2020
KHL11111A	Council Meeting Date (YYYY/MM):	Meeting Time: 10:00
FSR Accepted Code: N	2020/10	_
Snap Indicator Code: Y	Meeting Date: 06/10/2020	
mpact Score: 28	Meeting Time: 09:00	
Percentile:	Study Roster: View Meeting Roster	
Early Stage Investigator Eligible:		
New Investigator Eligible:		
Eligible for FFATA Reporting: Yes		

TIP: *Other Transaction Authority (OTA) - Some screens and terminology may be different in order to accommodate review of OTA, a type of award that is neither a grant nor a contract but a different way of funding that is being used across NIH. These changes will typically not be visible to NIH or agency reviewers.

Viewing the Notice of Award (NoA)

Policy: <u>Notice of Award Policy Statement</u>

Updated Guide Notice: <u>Upcoming Changes to the Notice of Award (NoA) Beginning</u> October 1, 2020

The Notice of Award (NoA) is the legal document issued to notify the recipient that an award has been made and that funds may be requested. Notices of Awards are sent to the email address specified in the Institutional Profile, which can be updated by a signing official (SO). Principal investigators (PI) and SOs can view NoAs from the *Status Information* screen.

The Page One of the NoA serves as the first page for all HSS (Department of Health and Human Services) Notices of Awards for discretionary awards.

(For a list of possible application statuses, see <u>https://www.era.nih.gov/docs/era_status_</u> <u>codes.pdf</u>.)

To See the Status Information Screen (SO):

- 1. Log into eRA Commons with an SO account.
- 2. <u>Navigate to the Status module</u> and select **General** from the **Search Type** dropdown.
- 3. Enter search criteria, such as Awarded for Application Status; click Search.
- 4. Click on the Application/Award ID link to see the *Status Information* screen.

To See the Status Information Screen (PI):

- 1. Log into Commons as a principal investigator.
- 2. Navigate to the Status module.

3. Click the **List of Applications/Awards** section.

itatus: PI Searc he Status screens have be ervice Desk .	h een updated. If you have any questions about the new Commons Status look and feel please cont	act the eRA
	tions represents a result of the search by Grants.gov Tracking # or a list of all Recent/Pending eSubmissi our Recent/Pending eSubmissions, please click Recent/Pending eSubmissions menu tab again.	ons. If you do
Recent/Pending	eSubmissions	
Applications that are	uire action (e.g., to view errors/warnings) prior to submission completion available to view (during two business day correction window) prior to submission completion ve been rejected by Signing Official	
List of Applicatio	ons/Awards	
 Review assignment st 	ed applications, both paper and electronic tatus, review results, summary statements, and Notices of Award tures (e.g., Just In Time, eSNAP, Closeout, Financial Status Report) for previously submitted applications/	awards
Search by Grants	s.gov Tracking Num	
Enter the Grants.gov Track	king Number into the following box for easy access to a specific award application	
Tracking Number	Search	

Figure 226: List of Applications/Grants Links in Status

The results display in Grouped or Flat view. Click the **Application/Award ID** in the results table, which is a link that opens the *Status Information* screen.

R01AG060606	 08/01/2019 - DOW, HATFI (PD/PI) Dementia Determinants (Title) 02/29/2024 (Project Period) 						Awarded. Non- fellowships only	
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title	PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions	
5R01AG060606-05		Dementia Determinants	DOW, HATFI (PI)		Awarded. Non- fellowships only	03/07/2023	Requires Closeout RPPR Human Subjects	
5R01AG060606-04		Dementia Determinants	DOW, HATFI (PI)		Awarded. Non- fellowships only	03/07/2022	RPPR Human Subjects	

Figure 227: Application ID Link

4. Click the linked **Application/Award ID** for an application and the *Status Information* screen appears.

Find the NoA on the Status Information Screen:

The *Status Information* includes a section called **Other Relevant Documents**. This section contains links to various application-related documents, including the NoA. The NoA link is displayed as a date next to the field titled **Notice(s) of Grant Award (PDF)**.

Click the Notice(s) of Grant Award link. The NoA opens in a separate window.

imes Other Relevant Documents		
e-Application		
Summary Statement		
Latest NGA		
Notice(s) of Grant Award (PDF)	<u>03/02/2021</u>	
Abstract (Awarded Grant)		
Just In Time	08/18/2020 Times F	Revised(1)
Submission Cover Letter		
eSubmission-PHS Assignment Request Form		

Figure 228: Notice of Award Link in Status Information

Just in Time (JIT) Search for SOs

IMPORTANT: This topic pertains to the Just in Time (JIT) search screen available to signing officials (SO).

To see related help:

- General Search screen for SOs, see *How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status?* on page 465.

- JIT screen available to VA applicants, see *Just in Time (JIT) for VA Applicants* on page 548.

- JIT search screen available to VA agency staff, see <u>Just in Time (JIT) Overview for VA</u> <u>Agency Staff</u>.

As a signing official (SO), you might receive an auto-generated email from eRA Commons alerting you that a Just in Time request has been made on one of your institution's applications. If this happens, the program director/principal investigator (PI/PD) and the SO work together to upload required requested documentation. The PI/PD can save the JIT package, but only the SO can submit the package to the agency.

NOTE: The **JIT** link is removed once an application has been awarded. JIT capabilities can not be delegated.

To search for an applicant that has a current JIT process (SOs only):

- 1. In eRA Commons, <u>navigate to the Status module</u>.
- 2. Select **Just in Time** from the **Search Type** dropdown.

Status		
Search Type:		General 🗸
Туре	Activ	General Just in Time Recently Awarded Closeout
ex: 5	ex:	Relinquishing Statements Recent/Pending eSubmissions Re-Assign Award
PD/PI Last Name		ESI Eligibility Pending Human Subjects Action

The Just in Time search criteria appears.

ex: Smith ex: John	Туре	Activity Code	IC/Institute		Serial #	Support Yr.	Suffix
ex: Smith ex: John JIT Status Select one [[Eligible for JIT Clear Form Q Search	ex: 5	ex: R01	▼ ex: GM	*	ex: 123456	ex: 01	ex: A1
JIT Status Select one Eligible for JIT Clear Form Q Search	PD/PI Last Nar	me			PD/PI First Name	•	
Select one	ex: Smith				ev: John		
Eligible for JIT Clear Form Q Search					ex. John		
Clear Form Q Search					ex. John		
Clear Form Q Search	JIT Status						
	JIT Status			•	ex. John		
	JIT Status Select one				2.50111	Clear Form	O Search

3. Enter search criteria to find a specific application, or use the **JIT Status** dropdown to find:

Eligible for JIT: all applications eligible for JIT **JIT in WIP:** all applications with an in-progress JIT, or **Submitted:** all applications with a submitted JIT. Then click **Search**. The Search results appear in a table titled Status Result - Jit Search. See *Standard Tools for Tables* on page 109 to learn about the filter and other table tool icons that appear over tables.

Filter Table Image: Second								
Application/Award	Grants.gov Tracking # 🌲	Proposal Title 🌲	PD/PI Name ≑	Application Status 💠	Project Period Start 🚽	Project Period End ≑	Budget Period Start ≑	Budget Period End ≑
1I01BX005340- 01	GRANT13044927	Head & Neck Cancer	Duv, Umam	Pending	10/01/2020	09/30/2024	10/01/2020	09/30/2021
1I01BX004844- 01A1		Mechanistic Insights	Red, Raj	Pending	10/01/2020	09/30/2024	10/01/2020	09/30/2021
2I01BX002678- JIT 07A2	03	Beta Cell Proliferation	Yecor, Vij	Pending	01/01/2016	03/31/2025	04/01/2021	03/31/2022

4. On the desired application, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select JIT.

The JIT screen opens.

If you are working on a VA application, see *Just in Time (JIT) for VA Applicants* on page 548.

If you are working on a non-VA application, see Just in Time (JIT) Screen on page 538.

Just in Time (JIT) Screen

IMPORTANT: This topic pertains to the general Just in Time (JIT) screen. To see help for other JIT screens:

- JIT screen available to VA, see Just in Time (JIT) for VA Applicants on page 548.

- JIT approval screen available to VA agency staff, see <u>Just in Time (JIT) Overview for VA</u> Agency Staff.

The JIT feature of eRA Commons lets you electronically submit additional grant application information after the completion of peer review, and prior to funding. The program director/principal investigator (PD/PI) and the signing official (SO) work together to complete and submit information for different types of information requests directly to the funding agency.

JIT capabilities cannot be delegated. If you have the PI role, you may upload and save JIT information; however, you must be an SO to submit it to the funding agency. Personally identifiable information (PII) and Protected Health Information (PHI) should be redacted from all documents you are uploading via JIT.

The JIT feature is available for applications meeting established business criteria. In general, this feature becomes available for applications that fall within a certain percentile or priority score range; however, applicants should not submit any JIT information unless specifically requested by the agency. These requests can be eRA-system generated emails or contacts directly from the specific awarding agency via email and/or phone.

Policy: JIT policy information also is available online. Look for the *Just-in-Time Procedures* section of the <u>NIH Grants Policy Statement</u>.

Required PDF Format

All JIT attachments must be submitted in PDF format with a maximum size of 6MB. Each upload area can accept only a single PDF, and if you re-upload a file, it replaces the previous file. All elements on the JIT form can be submitted multiple times and will be appended to the JIT report, with the latest version at the top of the report.

PDF uploads for all sections are required to be a flattened PDF. A flattened PDF is one that does not have fillable forms or other layers, such as movable images. The easiest way to flatten a PDF using Adobe Acrobat Reader is to print the document, but choose the "Print to PDF" option in the Print dialog, and save to a new file name when prompted. If you attempt to upload and save a file that is not a flattened PDF, you see this error message, "Error Uploading PDF. Please ensure all files are flattened.".

Accessing the Just in Time (JIT) Screen

To search for a JIT as an SO, see *Just in Time (JIT) Search for SOs* on page 536. In Commons, the *Just In Time* screen is accessible from:

• If you are an SO: Go to Status and perform a **Just In Time** or **General** search. (i.e. Select **Just in Time** or **General** from the Search Type dropdown.) Click the threedot ellipsis menu on an award in search results and select the **JIT** option. • If you are a PI: Go to Status and expand a grant. Click the **JIT** button in the **Available Actions** column.

NOTE: The **JIT** action is removed once an application has been awarded. You can continue submitting files as long as the JIT action appears, and each subsequent submission is appended to prior submissions.

JIT Screen Sample

Check the instructions on the JIT screen. General instructions are listed at the top of the screen, and detailed instructions exist for each section below. Also included are links to more information.

NOTE: The *SBIR STTR Foreign Disclosure Form* section on the JIT screen appears only for certain small business type awards.

Just In Time (JIT) 😮

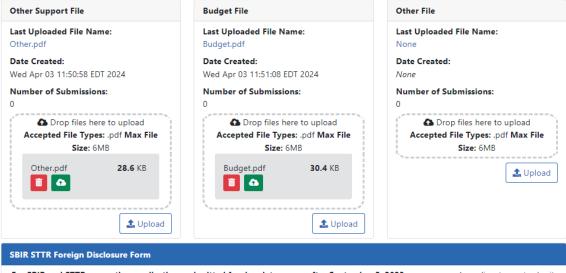
Just in Time (JIT) allows the Principal Investigator (PI) or Signing Official (SO) to provide Other Support, Budget Upload, Other Upload, IACUC, IRB, Human Subject Assurances, Genomic Data Sharing Certification, and SBIR STTR Foreign Disclosure Form (as applicable) Just In Time information directly to the Agency when that information is requested. Guidance follows:

- · Although a Principal Investigator (PI) may save this information through Commons, only an SO may submit it to Agency.
- Any element of the JIT form may be submitted at different times while the JIT link is available.
- Once the information has been submitted to the Agency, it will be available for viewing in Status in the Other Relevant Documents section.
- 'Number of Submission' provides the user with the number of times the JIT form was submitted to the Agency.
- All elements on the JIT form can be submitted multiple times and will be appended to the JIT report, with the latest version at the top of the report.
- If the application involves care and use of vertebrate animals or involves Human Subjects, verification of the date of the respective IACUC or IRB approval is required on this 'Just in Time' page.
- Documents containing sensitive Personally Identifiable Information (PII; e.g. Social Security Number, personal financial information, Alien Registration Number, etc.) or Protected Health Information (PHI; e.g. personal medical conditions, etc.) must not be uploaded into eRA Commons.

Application Information				
Award Number	Principal Investigator Name	Primary Research Site	Total Submissions	
R44CA010101-01	RASHAO, VAAO	BIOSCIENCE, LLC	0	
Proposal Title				
Rapid DNA sequencing				

Please provide "active and pending" support for all senior/key personnel. Other Support includes all resources (i.e., domestic and foreign) made available to a researcher in support of and/or related to all of their research endeavors, regardless of whether or not they have monetary value and regardless of whether they are based at the institution the researcher identifies for the current grant. Other Support does not include training awards, prizes, or gifts.

For more information on Other Support and suggested formats, please review OtherSupport. Upload the document using the Upload button provided below. Alternatively, you can drag and drop a file unto the respective panel. Please note that when you upload a document it is automatically attached to your application.



For SBIR and STTR competing applications submitted for due dates on or after September 5, 2023, upon request, applicants must submit the Required Disclosures of Foreign Affiliations or Relationships to Foreign Countries form. Each small business concern (SBC) applying for the SBIR and STTR programs under the NIH is required to disclose all funded and unfunded relationships with foreign countries, using the disclosure form, for all owners and covered individuals. A "covered individual" is defined as all senior key personnel identified by the SBC in the application (i.e., individuals who contribute to the scientific development or execution of a project in a substantive, measurable way).

SBIR STTR Foreign Disclosure Form

Last Uploaded File Name:

SBIR-STTR-Foreign-Disclosure-Form.pdf

Date Created:

Wed Apr 03 11:52:21 EDT 2024

Number of Submissions:

T

🚯 Drop files here to upload

Accepted File Types: .pdf Max File Size: 6MB

SBIR-STTR-Foreign-Disclosure-Form.pdf

0.3 MB

Figure 229: Just In Time screen for awards, which appears based on funding agency requests for additional information.

Use the Upload buttons in each section to upload files. Users save an in-progress JIT by clicking **Save**, and SOs submit all uploaded files to the agency by clicking **Submit**.

Uploading, Saving, and Submitting JIT Information

The procedure below is for both a PI or an SO. However, the SO has a **Submit** button and the PI does not. A PI can upload and save JIT information, and can also view the JIT report that is prepared for submission based on JIT information entered on the screen. An SO can do all the same things, but in addition, an SO can submit the JIT information to the agency.

To upload files for JIT requests:

1. Access the *Just in Time* screen; see *Accessing the Just in Time (JIT) Screen* on page 539.

The Just in Time screen appears. The Application Information section shows the application being modified.

 Upload the appropriate files as requested by the agency by dragging and dropping files into the "Drop files here..." area, or click the Upload button and choose files from your drive.

After you add a file, the panel shows an **Upload Complete** message. The panel also displays the name of the file and the date it was uploaded.

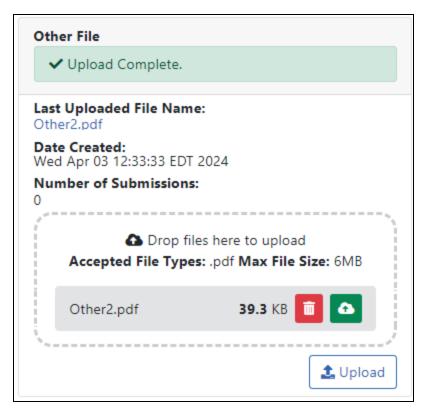


Figure 230: Upload Complete message appearing on a pane after uploading a file.

- 3. Optionally, click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
- 4. Optionally, click the **Delete** icon **be** to remove the file.
- 5. If you are either a PI or an SO, you can click the **Save** button at the bottom of the JIT screen, which saves the in-progress JIT, but does not submit it to the awarding agency.

A confirmation message displays indicating you are about to save, but not submit, the JIT information and that a user with SO authority must submit to the awarding agency. Click **Save Changes**.

6. If you are an SO, you can click the **Submit** button at the bottom of the screen to submit to the agency. A confirmation message appears:

Submit Confirmation			×
APPLICANT ORGANIZATION CERTI Information submitted through the incorporated by reference into the subject to all the terms, conditions, that application. Do not submit this unless you are the authorized signi the information submitted to beco application.	e just-in-tin original ap , and certifi s suppleme ing official	ne process is plication and cations set forth entary informatio and you intend f	in n or
	Cancel	I Agree/Subn	nit

Figure 231: Submit Confirmation that an SO sees upon submitting JIT doc-umentation

NOTE: If you are submitting a SBIR/STTR Foreign Disclosure Form, you additionally must agree to the following warning upon submit:

Warning	×
Warning! Only for SBIR and STTR competing applications submitted for due dates on or after September 5, 2023: Upon request, applicants must submit the Required Disclosures of Foreign Affiliations or Relationships to Foreign Countries form.	
Cancel Contin	nue

In the Submit Confirmation popup that appears, click the I Agree/Submit button.
 A Success message appears at the top of the JIT screen.

If required information is missing or invalid and you save or submit, error messages appear on the screen.

You can resubmit JIT information as many times as necessary. Each section of the JIT information can be submitted separately and more than once. Just upload files to any section and click **Submit** and any new files are submitted. After each submission, the *Just*

In Time screen displays the **Number of Submissions** for each piece of information.

Other Support File	Budget File	Other File	
Last Uploaded File Name: None Date Created: None Number of Submissions: 2	Last Uploaded File Name: None Date Created: None Number of Submissions: 1	Last Uploaded File Name: None Date Created: <i>None</i> Number of Submissions: 1	
Crop files here to upload Accepted File Types: .pdf Max File Size: 6MB	Drop files here to upload Accepted File Types: .pdf Max File Size: 6MB	Drop files here to upload Accepted File Types: .pdf Max File Size: 6MB	

Figure 232: Number of Submissions for JIT

When a submission has occurred, the Status module display the **JIT** action with an indication of the number of times revised:

Application/Award ID 🗘	Grants.gov Tracking # ≑	Propo
1R44CA010101-01	••• GRANT1377727	1 A rapi
	JIT (Times Revised:1)
1R43CA070707-01A1 (MPI)	View Prior eSubmis	sions g

Notes on Each JIT Section

Other Support File The *Other Support* section is always available. Other sections appear only if the award meets certain conditions.

Active and pending support for all key personnel should be provided. For details on what to provide and how to format it, see <u>https://</u>-

grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/othersupport.htm, which includes a link to the "Other Support Format Page" to help you prepare your Other Support documentation.

Budget File

Other File

SBIR STTR Foreign Disclosure Form. This section appears ONLY for SBIR/STTR awards (R41, R42, R43, R44, U43, U44, UT1, UT2, SB1, UB1). See <u>Required Disclosures of Foreign</u> <u>Affiliations or Relationships to Foreign Countries</u> and guide noticed titled, <u>Imple-mentation of the NIH SBIR and STTR Foreign Disclosure Pre-award and Post-Award</u> <u>Requirements</u> (https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-24-029.html)

Human Subject Information. This section appears only for awards that involve Human Subjects. Verification of the date of the respective IACUC or IRB approval is required for these awards on the *Just in Time* screen.

- **IRB Date.** The IRB date is validated such that the IRB date must be in the range of one year previous to today's date. If you enter an IRB date, you must also select an assurance number from the dropdown list.
- **Assurance Number.** If this dropdown is empty, contact your signing official and ask for the Human Subjects Assurance (HSA) number to be entered in the Institution Profile.

Human Subjects Information
Please Note: If you have not received an IRB Date from the Internal Review Board, you are not required to enter the IRB Date or OHRP Human Subjects Assurance
Number prior to submitting JIT Documents
IRB Date:
Mumber of Submissions: 0
/our Institution must certify to Agency that the research described in this application has received Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval by an IRB registered at
DHRP under your Human Subjects Assurance Number. If the required IRB approval has been obtained, enter the IRB approval date. By specifying a Date and saving
his form, you certify that you have IRB approval for this research. Please select the correct OHRP Human Subjects Assurance Number from the list of numbers
associated with your Institution Select Your Assurance Number 🗸
Select Your Assurance Number
Human Subject Education. The FWA00004969 for the design and conduct of the study) that are involved in
numan subject research. Please upload a PDF file that includes the following:
 The names of the key personnel who are responsible for the design and conduct of the study
 The title of the education program completed by each named person plus a brief description of the program
Note: If research meeting the criteria for Exemption 4 is proposed, documentation is recommended, but not required.
Human Subjects Education
Last Uploaded File Name:
None
Date Created: None
Number of Submissions:
▲ Drop files here to upload
Accepted File Types: .pdf Max File Size: 6MB
V
± Upload

Animal Subjects Information. See The IACUC. (https://olaw.ni-

h.gov/resources/tutorial/iacuc.htm). This section appears only for awards that involve care and use of vertebrate animals. Enter the IACUC date, which should be within the last three years.

Animal Subjects Information	
IACUC DATE:	
**	Number of Submissions: 0
The institution must verify approval by the Institutional Animal Care and I application related to the care and use of animals. By specifying a date an application was awarded on that date. If the IACUC required any modifica Research Plan, those changes must be submitted to the appropriate NIH listed for your Institution is D16-00072	d saving this form you confirm that IACUC approval of this tions in the care or use of animals as described in the

TIP: For instructions regarding certifications and assurances, please refer to the <u>Insti-</u> <u>tutional Assurances and Certifications (IPF)</u> instructions. Both PD/PIs and SOs can may view the current status of the assurances and certificates but only SOs (or TTOs if no SO has been assigned) can are able to make changes to the information.

Genome Data Sharing Certification. Upload the Genome Data Sharing Certification if required by the awarding agency.

Viewing the Just In Time Report

The Just in Time report shows you a record of IRB, Human Subjects Assurance number, and IACUC date submitted so far. If you are an SO or a PI, you can view the *Just In Time* report directly from the JIT screen before submission. To do this, scroll to the bottom of the JIT screen and click the **View Just In Time Report** button, which downloads a PDF.

If the JIT information has already been submitted to the awarding agency, the *Just In Time* report can be viewed from a link on the *Status Information* screen. The link displays as the date of the last submission plus the number of times submitted and is located under the Other Relevant Documents section.

To see the *Status Information* screen, go to Status, search for an award, and click the linked **Application/Award ID**, which appears in status search results. See *Status Inform-ation* on page 490.

\sim Other Relevant	Documents	
e-Application Appendix:Alpha-tester-	hlank-sunvey ndf	
Summary Statement	blank-survey.pur	
Just In Time	<u>04/03/2024 Times Revised(2)</u>	

Figure 233: Just In Time Report Link on the Status Information screen

Just in Time (JIT) for VA Applicants

IMPORTANT: This topic pertains to the Just in Time (JIT) screen available to VA applicants. To see help for other JIT screens:

- JIT screen available to applicants of NIH and other agencies, see *Just in Time (JIT) Screen* on page 538.

- JIT screens available to VA agency staff, see <u>Just in Time (JIT) Overview for VA Agency</u> <u>Staff.</u>

The JIT (Just in Time) feature of eRA Commons lets you electronically submit additional grant application information after the completion of the peer review, and prior to funding. The program director/principal investigator (PD/PI) and the signing official (SO) work together to complete and submit requested information directly to the VA when that information is requested via email notification. JIT capabilities can not be delegated.

Read the instructions at the top of the JIT screen before uploading documents, as they contain important information. For more information, see <u>Just-in-Time Process to</u> <u>Release Funds</u> on the VA website.

NOTE:

• Either a PI or an SO can upload and save JIT information; however, only the SO can submit it to the VA.

• All JIT attachments should be submitted in flattened PDF format with a maximum size

of 6MB. Each upload area can accept only a single PDF, and if you re-upload a file for a given JIT section, it replaces the previous file.

The JIT action is available in the Status module for applications that VA agency staff have prepared a JIT request for. See *Accessing the JIT Screen* on page 551. You will receive an email alerting you if your application is subject to a JIT request, whereupon you have 180 days to submit the requested material. You do not need to submit all the JIT material at once. You can submit files for each section independently of other sections.

Sample JIT Screen

The JIT screen for VA applicants (PI/SO) looks different depending on what categories of information that the VA agency staff has requested. You see only those categories and secondary sites that the agency staff configured for the JIT request.

		ugh Commons, only an SO	may submit it to Agency	5
Commons.				
Application Information				
	I Investigator Name I, SASHER	Primary Research Site VA MEDICAL CENTER	Total Subm i 1	ssions
Associate Chief of Staff for Research (ACOS/R) Assurance Approved	Clinical Trial Registra Revision Reque		Data Monitoring Con (DMC)/Data and Saf Board (DSMB)	
Last Uploaded File Name: ACOSAssurUSDept.pdf Date Created: 04/08/2024 Number of Submissions: 1 Comment:	Last Uploaded File Name: Clinical_Trial_Reg.pdf Date Created: 04/08/2024 Number of Submissions:	Additional Agency Comments Agency Uploaded Files Agency Decision Attachment: a_returnNotes.pdf	Last Uploaded File N Data_Analysis_Suppor Date Created: 04/08/2024 Number of Submissi 1	t.pdf
Files look good. Attached are approval notes. Additional Agency Comments Agency Uploaded Files Agency Decision Attachment: approvalNote.pdf	1 Comment: See attached return notes. Drop files P Accepted File Typ Size: Clinical_Trial_Reg Clinical_Trial_Reg	oes: .pdf Max File 6MB	Comment: This is being Disappro Disapprove notes. Additional Agency Co Agency Uploaded Fil Agency Decision Att a_DisapproveNotes.po	mments les achment:
Miscellaneous Union Notification	Miscellaneous Other		Non-Veteran Waiver	
Last Uploaded File Additional Agency Name: Comments None Agency Uploaded Files None Agency Decision Attachment: None Comment: D Drop files here to upload	Last Uploaded File Name: None Date Created: None Number of Submissions: 0 Comment: Drop files h	Agency Uploaded Files Agency Decision Attachment: None	Last Uploaded File Name: None Date Created: None Number of Submissions: 0 Comment:	Additional Agency Comments Agency Uploaded Files Agency Decision Attachment: None
Accepted File Types: .pdf Max File Size: 6MB	Size:	ess: .pdf Max File 6MB istory	Accepted File Typ Size:	pes: .pdf Max File
				opidad
Human Subjects Information RB Approval Date:				
02/01/2024		Number of Submissions:	0	
Additional Sitor		, 		
Additional Sites				
TUSCA VETERANS AFFAIRS MEDICAL CTR TUSCA, AL Site Principal Investigator Mielle Hilchman, PhD	Submitte Last Up	loaded File Name: Tusc.pdf	File	

Note that while the SO has a **Submit** button at the bottom of the screen, the PI does not because only the SO can submit JIT data to the awarding agency. Standard award information appears at the top of the JIT screen in the *Application Information* section. The **Total Submissions** field indicates how many times any part of the JIT has been submitted.

Accessing the JIT Screen

NOTE: The **JIT** link is removed once an application has been awarded. You will receive an email alerting you if you need to respond to a JIT.

Pls: Access the JIT Screen by

- 1. In eRA Commons, <u>navigate to the Status module</u>.
- 2. Access the List of Applications/Awards.
- 3. Find the application for which you need to respond to a JIT, then click the **JIT** button in the **Available Actions** column.

SOs: Access to JIT Screen

See *Just in Time (JIT) Search for SOs* on page 536 for steps on searching for a grant that is in the JIT process.

Responding to the JIT

Viewing Agency Comments

To access agency comments, which might include reminders or instructions, hover over the **Additional Agency Comments** link in the section, shown below.

Miscellaneous	
Union Notification	Review uploaded guidance.
Last Uploaded File	Additional Agency
Name:	<u>Comments</u>
None	Agency Uploaded
Date Created:	Files
None	Agency Decision
	Attachment:
Number of	None
Submissions:	

Uploading Files to the JIT

For each section in the JIT, upload one or more flattened PDFs.

Upload button. Use the **Upload** button to find and choose a file on your drive. There can be one file uploaded per **Upload** button.

Drag and Drop. You can also drag and drop a file from a Windows directory over the appropriate section on the JIT screen.

File Format. All JIT attachments should be submitted in flattened PDF format with a maximum size of 6MB. Each **Upload** button can accept only a single PDF, and if you reupload a file, it replaces the previous file.

NOTE: A flattened PDF is one that does not have fillable forms or other layers, such as movable images. The easiest way to flatten a PDF using Adobe Acrobat Reader is to print the document, but choose the "Print to PDF" option in the Print dialog, and save to a new file name when prompted. If you attempt to upload and save a file that is not a flattened PDF, you see this error message, "Error Uploading PDF. Please ensure all files are flattened.".

Removing a File

To remove a file, either click its Delete icon **upload**, or simply upload another file. The newly uploaded file will always replace the existing file.

Viewing Contents of an Uploaded File

To view a file that has already been uploaded, click its Download icon . The file will download or appear in a browser, according to your browser's settings.

Viewing History of Submissions

To view the history of a section's submission, click the section's **History** button (⁽¹⁾ History) to see a popup with all submissions for the particular section. History includes file name, submit date, status, comment, and person who uploaded the file. Until a file for the section has been submitted, History is blank, as it only shows history of actual submissions, not uploads or saves.

JIT Section Details

Status Badges.

Non-Veteran Waiver

Data Monitoring Committee (DMC)/Data and Safety Monitoring Board (DSMB) Uploaded

Clinical Trial Registration Revision Requested

Associate Chief of Staff for Research (ACOS/R) Assurance Approved No badge indicates that nothing has yet been done on the JIT request.

An **Uploaded** badge means that someone (PI or SO) has uploaded a file to the request and saved but not submitted.

A **Revision Requested** badge means a file was submitted, but was returned by agency staff, meaning the file can be revised and resubmitted.

An **Approved** badge means the file was uploaded, submitted, and accepted by the awarding agency. Last Uploaded File Name. File name of file currently uploaded for the section.

Date Created. Date the file was uploaded (not creation date of file).

Number of Submissions. Number of times a file has been submitted for this section of the JIT. For example, if you see number of submissions set to 3 for the **Revised Budget** section, then 3 separate files have been submitted for the **Revised Budget** section, each file replacing the previous. Each section can have different number of submissions. This can be different from **Total Submissions** under *Application Information*, which indicates the total number of times an SO has clicked **Submit** for the JIT.

Comment. You cannot add comments when uploading, saving, or submitting. Agency staff can add comments during approval or rejection of submissions and those comments appear in this field.

Additional Agency Comments. Hover to see comments that were entered by agency staff when they configured this JIT.

Agency Uploaded Files. Click this link to see a popup with files uploaded by the agency.

Agency Decision Attachment. After submittal, agency staff can approve, return, or disapprove a section. At that time, agency staff can upload a document as part of the approval/return/disapproval; that file will then reside in the **Agency Decision Attachment** field. If you view the JIT after agency review, you can check that field for files the agency has provided.

Reviewing, Saving, or Submitting the JIT

Buttons for reviewing, saving, and submitting (only the SO sees the Submit button) are located at the bottom right of the JIT screen.



Reviewing

Before submitting, review the JIT contents. There are a few ways you can do this:

- Click on the file names of uploaded files to see their contents in a browser window or PDF reader.
- Check the badge status to make sure the sections you are submitting have an Uploaded badge to show status: Uploaded. See Status Badges in the previous section.
- Finally, you can click the **View Just In Time Report** button, outlined in blue above, which shows you a concatenated PDF that contains all uploaded files that will be submitted if you click the Submit button. This does not necessarily contain all files, only those slated to be submitted at this time. Other files may have been submitted previously, and those will not appear in the report.

Submitting

The SO can submit the JIT more than once. You do not need to submit all the JIT material at once. You can submit files for each section independently of other sections. For instance, maybe you have four out of five files prepared, but need some time to develop the last file. You can upload the four files, submit, and return later to the JIT to upload the last file and resubmit. You can also resubmit a file that you have already submitted; as long as the agency has not yet approved a particular section, you can continue to upload a file to a section and resubmit.

To submit all uploaded files, SOs click the **Submit** button at the bottom of the screen. In the *Submit Confirmation* popup, click **Submit JIT Data** to confirm.

Saving

If you are not ready to submit, you can save at any time and return to the JIT later to change it. Saving does not submit anything to the agency, but merely saves the JIT package for you or others to work on later. To save the JIT, click the **Save** button at the bottom of the screen.

Accessing the JIT Later

After you submit, you can go back to the JIT and make changes. Search for the grant again, and you will see the JIT link under the three-dot ellipsis menu, with the number of

times it has been revised. Select the JIT link to revisit the JIT.

1I01BX004844-01A1	GRANT13041017
2101BX002678-07A2	JIT (times revised:1)

At this point, you can:

- Upload files for any sections you omitted earlier
- Include a new file for a section that you previously uploaded by uploading a different file. The concatenated version of the JIT will include both copies of the file.

Any additional or updated files that you upload will be submitted when the SO clicks **Submit**.

NOTE: The **JIT** link is removed once an application has been awarded.

Viewing JIT Information on the Status Information Screen

Once submitted, the submitted JIT files are available to view from within the *Status Information* screen. Access the *Status Information* screen by selecting the application ID (displayed as a link) from any of the Status result screens. See *Status Information* on page 490.

NOTE: All versions of files you submitted are within the Just in Time report on the Status Information screen. For instance, if you submitted BudgetV1.pdf for the Budget section, then later replaced it with the updated BudgetV2.pdf, you will see both versions of the file in the report on the Status Information screen.

You can view all submitted *Just In Time* materials by clicking a link on the *Status Information* screen. The link displays as the date of the last submission plus the number of times submitted and is located under the **Other Relevant Documents** section.

\sim Other Relevant	Documents	
e-Application		
Appendix:Alpha-tester-	blank-survey.pdf	
Summary Statement		
Just In Time	04/03/2024 Times Revised(2)	
		·

No-Cost Extension (NCE) for NIH Grants

NIH Standard Terms of Award include the provision for grantees to extend the final budget period of a previously approved project period one time for a period of 1 to 12 months, without additional NIH funds, and without prior approval. This action, called a No-Cost Extension (NCE), must be taken before the project period ends. The NCE request triggers an automated email notification to the grants management specialist and no further action is required by the recipient.

AHRQ Award Recipients - see AHRQ-specific NCE topic.

IMPORTANT: AHRQ Recipients: Recipients of Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) awards can use the Status module in eRA Commons to request a No-Cost Extension. However, the specific terms of the AHRQ NCE are different from those for an NIH grant. If you are a AHRQ grantee, please see the alternate topic *No-Cost Extension (NCE) for AHRQ Grants* on page 560 for the requirements and steps to request an NCE.

The NCE is initiated in the Status module by using the **Extension** action, which appears:

- For signing officials (SOs) only
- 90 days before the project end date--it is removed at midnight on the project end date
- ONLY if the project period was NOT previously extended by the awarding office

IMPORTANT: NIH requires awardees who need an award extension to use the No-Cost Extension action in Status (for automatic approvals) or the Prior Approval module. Requests via any other methods are not accepted. Use the Status module if your award is eligible for an automatic NCE, in which case an **Extension** link appears in the Actions menu of Status search for SOs. If not eligible for an automatic extension, an SO can still request a NCE in Prior Approval if the award meets certain conditions, described in *Prior Approval - No Cost Extension* on page 286.

Policy: Extension of Final Budget Period of a Previously Approved Project Period without Additional NIH Funds

Awardees may extend the final budget period of the project when the following conditions are met:

- If no additional funds are required from the NIH awarding office
- If there will be no change in the project's originally approved scope
- If no term of award specifically prohibits the extension

In order to mandate an extension, one of the following criteria must be applicable:

- Additional time beyond the established expiration date is required to ensure adequate completion of the originally approved project
- Continuity of NIH grant support is required while a competing continuation application is under review
- The extension is necessary to permit an orderly phase-out of a project that will not receive continued support

NOTE: The fact that funds remain at the expiration of the award is not, in itself, sufficient justification for an extension without additional funds.

To submit a No-Cost Extension:

- 1. Search for a particular award using the *Status General Search* option.
- Select the Extension action from the three-dot ellipsis menu on the <u>Status Result -</u> <u>General Search</u> screen.

The **Extension** action does not appear if the project period was previously extended by the awarding office. Any additional project period extension beyond the one-time extension of up to 12 months requires using the Prior Approval module to request an extension.

The Request One-time Project Extension screen opens.

Status		=
Request One-time F	Project Extension 😯	
2	extended for up to 1 year by monthly increments. Only an SO has the ability to perform a one-time hey must use Prior Approval for any additional extension requests.	
Application Details		
Award Number 5R21HS027248-02	PD/PI Name(s) Kowation, McWill ;McMar, Anski	
Project End Date	Proposal Title	
11/30/2022	Personalized Clinical Decision Support	
Months For Extension	This will extend the project to 5/31/2023	
By checking this bo of the period of per purpose of using ur	ed to extend the period of performance of this award by 12 months x, you acknowledge you are notifying the awarding Agency of this one-time extension formance, you certify that the extension is not: 1) being exercised merely for the nobligated balance, 2) prohibited by the terms and conditions of the Federal award, or onal Federal funds. Further, it does not involve any change in the approved objectives ject	
	Cancel Request Extension]

Figure 234: Request a One-time Project Extension Screen

- 3. Select the number of months by which to extend the award by selecting an option from the **Months for Extension** drop-down list. Selecting an option updates the date in the **This will extend the project to** text box.
- 4. Mark the checkbox acknowledging the terms of the extension. In extending the final budget period of the project period, the awardee agrees to update all required certifications, including human subjects and animal welfare, in accordance with applicable regulations and policies.
- 5. Click the **Request Extension** button.

A green success message appears letting you know that the extension request was submitted successfully.

NOTE: When an extension without cost is submitted but cannot be processed due to an internal business error, the action **Extension Error** will appear under the three-dot ellipsis menu of a grant in Status search results. This action will continue to display until the error has been corrected. Instructions will be given on whom to contact if you need to have the error corrected before resubmitting. Once the error has been corrected, the No-Cost Extension will be processed, and the appropriate notifications sent.

No-Cost Extension (NCE) for AHRQ Grants



AHRQ grants under expanded authorities include the provision for grantees to automatically extend the final budget period of a previously approved project period one time for a period of up to 12 months, without additional AHRQ funds, and without prior approval.

This action, called a No-Cost Extension (NCE), must be taken before the project period ends.

IMPORTANT: This topic is specifically for Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) awards. For help requesting an extension for an NIH grant, please view this topic: *No-Cost Extension (NCE) for NIH Grants* on page 557.

For a full explanation of terms, conditions, and requirements for NCEs for AHRQ grants, go to the following link: <u>https://www.ahrq.gov/funding/grant-mgmt/nces.html</u>

Grantees may extend the final budget period of the project when the following conditions are met:

- If no additional funds are required from the AHRQ awarding office
- If there will be no change in the project's originally approved scope
- If no term of award specifically prohibits the extension

In order to mandate an extension, one of the following criteria must be applicable:

- Additional time beyond the established expiration date is required to ensure adequate completion of the originally approved project
- Continuity of grant support is required while a competing continuation application is under review
- The extension is necessary to permit an orderly phase-out of a project that will not receive continued support

NOTE: The fact that funds remain at the expiration of the grant is not, in itself, sufficient justification for an extension without additional funds.

To receive an extension, use the No-Cost Extension (NCE) feature that exists in eRA Commons Status module, which allows signing official (SO) users to request an NCE of 1 to 12 months. Accessible through Status search results, the link for accessing the feature is available 90 days before the project end date and is removed at midnight on the project end date.

IMPORTANT: AHRQ requires grantees to use the No-Cost Extension feature in the Status module, as shown here, for automatic first-time approvals and will not accept requests via other channels. Do not use the Prior Approval module No-Cost Extension feature if you need to make a second No-Cost Extension; instead see <u>https://www.ahr-q.gov/funding/grant-mgmt/nces.html</u> for instructions.

To submit a No-Cost Extension:

- 1. Search for a particular grant using the *Status General Search* screen.
- 2. Select the **Extension** action from the three-dot ellipsis menu on the <u>Status Result</u> <u>General Search</u> screen.

The **Extension** action does not appear if the project period was previously extended by the awarding office. Any additional project period extension beyond the one-time extension of up to 12 months requires contacting the grants management specialist on your most recent Notice of Award.

The Request One-time Project Extension screen opens.

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Request One-time	Project Extension 😯	
-	extended for up to 1 year by monthly increments. Only an SO has the ability to perform a one-time they must use Prior Approval for any additional extension requests.	
Application Details		
Award Number 5R21HS027248-02	PD/PI Name(s) Kowation, McWill ;McMar, Anski	
Project End Date 11/30/2022	Proposal Title Personalized Clinical Decision Support	
Months For Extension	This will extend the project to	
6	5/31/2023 🗸	
By checking this b of the period of pe purpose of using u	ed to extend the period of performance of this award by 12 months bx, you acknowledge you are notifying the awarding Agency of this one-time extension erformance, you certify that the extension is not: 1) being exercised merely for the inobligated balance, 2) prohibited by the terms and conditions of the Federal award, of tional Federal funds. Further, it does not involve any change in the approved objective oject	or
	Cancel Request Extension	n

Figure 235: Request a One-time Project Extension screen

- 3. Select the number of months by which to extend the grant by selecting an option from the **Months for Extension** dropdown. Selecting an option updates the date in the **This will extend the project to** text box.
- 4. Mark the checkbox acknowledging the terms of the extension. In extending the final budget period of the project period, the grantee agrees to update all required certifications, including human subjects and animal welfare, in accordance with applicable regulations and policies.
- 5. Click the **Request Extension** button.

A green success message appears letting you know that the extension request was submitted successfully. Upon approval of the request, the project period end date will be updated and an acknowledgment will be emailed to the grantee. **NOTE:** When an extension without cost is submitted but cannot be processed due to an internal business error, the option **Status Result as Extension Error** appears under the three-dot ellipsis menu. This option will continue to display until the error has been corrected. Instruction will be given on whom to contact if you need to have the error corrected before resubmitting. Once the error has been corrected, the No-Cost Extension will be processed, and the appropriate notifications sent.

Change of Institution

The Change of Institution process in eRA Commons allows extramural grantee institutions to submit Relinquishing Statements electronically via Commons. Relinquishing Statements (RS) are the official documents relinquishing interests and rights to Public Health Service (PHS) research grants and typically accompany a change of institution or successor in interest request.

The *Relinquishing Statement* screens are accessible via the Status module.

For more information, refer to Change of Institution.

Unfunded Application Notification

NIH will send centralized automated correspondence to applicant organizations notifying them of NIH's intent not to fund the indicated applications. A consolidated email, listing the applications which NIH does not intend to fund, will be sent by eRA Commons to the authorized organization representative (AOR) and signing official (SO) listed in the grant application, and to the Notice of Award email address listed in the applicant's Institutional Profile. The email will be sent approximately 14 months after the application's council date.

In addition to receiving official email correspondence, applicants can identify if the *Unfunded Application Notification* has been sent for a specific grant application in the eRA Commons.

Please also note that the funding decisions indicated in the correspondence are specific to the applications included in the email and have no impact on subsequent sub-

missions, including resubmissions. No changes have been made to NIH's application submission/resubmission policy, as outlined in <u>NOT-OD-18-197</u>.

Authorized eRA Commons users (PIs, SOs, and delegated Assistants) can see if an unfunded application notification has been sent for a specific application by viewing the *Status Information* in eRA Commons, which also shows the date the unfunded notification was sent. However, external users cannot view the content of the notification through eRA Commons.

	Status Information 👩				
	Filter X Expand All Collapse All				
Contacts	1 R21 NS109562-01				
Administration: Scientific Review Administrator(SRO)) Name: Lorenzo, Aldonza Phone: 301-555-5555 Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>	Status: Scientific Review Group review completed: Application was Not Discussed. Refer any questions to Program Official. Project Title: Nimodipine as Adjunctive Therapy for Cerebral Malaria Unfunded notification sent on 05/21/2019 Project Title: Nimodipine as Adjunctive Therapy for Cerebral Malaria				
Administration: Grants Management Specialist(GMS)	PI Name: Quixote, Don NIH Appl. ID: 1234567 Application ID: 1 R21 NS123456-01				
Name: Ormsby, John Phone: 301-555-5555	Status				
Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>	Status: Scientific Review Group review completed: Application was Not Discussed. Refer any questions to Program Official.				

Additional Materials Requests

Some award types allow grantees to upload and submit additional materials to the funding agency. You can use the **Add Additional Materials** action in the Status module to access the screen to add additional materials.

If you are working on an "Other Transactions" (OT) agreement (screen is named OTA - *Submitting Additional Materials to Agency*), see:

Responding to Additional Materials Requests from the Funding Agency on page 565

If you are working on a Rapid Acceleration of Diagnostics awards for Underserved Populations (RADx-UP) grant (screen is named *Submitting Additional Materials to Agency*), see:

Submitting Interim Reports for RADx Grants on page 570

Responding to Additional Materials Requests from the Funding Agency

Some award types, such as "Other Transactions" (OT) types, let awardees upload and submit additional materials to the funding agency. In the Status module of eRA Commons, awardees for these award types can submit relevant information for the award. Examples of what an additional materials request might be used for:

- Progress reports, at the frequency required by the awarding agency
- To provide a response to an ad-hoc request made outside the eRA system.

"Other Transactions" (OT) are funding mechanisms other than contracts, grants or cooperative agreements. Awards funded under Other Transactions Authority (OTA) are referred to as OT or OTA and have "OT" as the activity code portion of the award number.

Contact principal investigators (PI) can start the process by uploading requested documents and notifying the signing official (SO), who then logs into eRA Commons and ultimately approves the submission by submitting it to the agency. Requests for additional materials may take place outside the Status module through email or some other communication mechanism or as part of the Notice of Award conditions.

Only signing officials can actually submit the additional materials. Contact principal investigators can add the requested materials and notify the SO via the *Submitting Additional Materials to Agency* screen, but the SO must sign into eRA Commons and actually submit the materials.

In a Status search results list, awardees initially see **Add Additional Materials** in the **Action** column (PIs) or under the three-dot ellipsis menu (SOs) for their award. If materials have been added but not yet submitted, the option is labeled **Edit Additional Materials**.

OT2CA222222	0	06/22/2022 - 05/31/2024 (Project Period)	HUENG, SHEP	(PD/PI) CANC	AN (Title)	A 1	varded. Non-fellowships only
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title	PD/ Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
3OT2CA22222-01S1		CANCAN	HUENG, SHEPI (PI)		Awarded. Non-fellowships only	08/01/2023	Add Additional Materials View Milestones Tracking
10T2CA222222-01	OTA0000021583	CANCAN	HUENG, SHEPI (PI)	Submission Complete	Awarded. Non-fellowships only	06/23/2022	Edit Additional Materials View Milestones Tracking

Figure 236: Principal Investigator View of Status Results

NOTE: In the signing official view of Status, the actions **Add Additional Materials** and **Edit Additional Materials** appear under the three-dot ellipsis menu an award.

To Submit Additional Materials for an Award:

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your PI or SO credentials.
- Open the Status module and locate the award that requires additional materials.
 See How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status? on page 465 or Status for Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PI Role) on page 474.
- 3. Select the **Add Additional Materials** option in the **Actions** column (PI) or threedot ellipsis menu (SO). The Submitting Additional Materials to Agency screen appears.

TA - Submitting /	Additional Mate	
Award Information		
ward Number	PD/PI Name	Org Name
OT2CA278654-01	Hui, Sheng	HARVARD SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH
roject Title		
ANCAN-HARVARDTHCHAN		
roject Period	Budget Period	
6/22/2022 to 05/31/2024	06/22/2022 - 05/31/202	4
dditional Materials ase provide additional materials Accepted File Types: GIF,	• Drop files here to up	
ase provide additional materials	✿ Drop files here to u JPG, BMP, PNG, DOCX, XLSX, PP	load, or <u>browse.</u>
ase provide additional materials Accepted File Types: GIF,	✿ Drop files here to u JPG, BMP, PNG, DOCX, XLSX, PP	oload, or <u>browse.</u> IX, MSG, PDF Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
Accepted File Types: GIF,	✿ Drop files here to u JPG, BMP, PNG, DOCX, XLSX, PP	bload, or <u>browse.</u> IX, MSG, PDF Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
Accepted File Types: GIF,	✿ Drop files here to u JPG, BMP, PNG, DOCX, XLSX, PP	bload, or <u>browse.</u> IX, MSG, PDF Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
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ase provide additional materials Accepted File Types: GIF, bio.pdf Uploaded By: Hui, Sheng File U ase provide Comments:	✿ Drop files here to u JPG, BMP, PNG, DOCX, XLSX, PP	bload, or <u>browse.</u> IX, MSG, PDF Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
ase provide additional materials Accepted File Types: GIF, bio.pdf Uploaded By: Hui, Sheng File U ase provide Comments:	✿ Drop files here to u JPG, BMP, PNG, DOCX, XLSX, PP	bload, or <u>browse.</u> IX, MSG, PDF Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
ase provide additional materials Accepted File Types: GIF, bio.pdf Uploaded By: Hui, Sheng File U ase provide Comments:	✿ Drop files here to u JPG, BMP, PNG, DOCX, XLSX, PP	bload, or <u>browse.</u> IX, MSG, PDF Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10

Figure 237: OTA - Submitting Materials to Agency screen for a PI, with a "Drop Files Here..." area and Notify SO button (outlined)

- 4. Drag and drop file(s) in the "**Drop Files Here..**" area, or click the **browse** link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop fileS area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon to remove the file.

NOTE: You can upload multiple files simultaneously by dragging and dropping the files to the upload files area of the screen.

- 5. In the comments field, enter details on what the material is or why it is being submitted. Any comments entered by the PI and/or SO can be viewed by agency staff. The PI/SO can also review submissions, including comments, on the *Status Information* screen.
- 6. At the bottom of the form, click one of the buttons, which are different if you are an SO vs. a PI:
 - **Save.** Saves the submission and attached materials without submitting. Do this if you plan to come back to the request later and add or edit materials.
 - **Delete.** Removes the submission and attached materials. Do this if you decide you do not need to add additional materials at this time.
 - Notify SO. If you are a PI, you see the Notify SO button. Only the SO can submit the materials to the agency. Click the Notify SO button if you are ready for the SO to review and submit the additional materials, then click OK in the confirmation message that appears. The SO will subsequently receive a notification email to log in and submit materials.
 - **Submit.** If you are an SO, you see a **Submit** button whether you uploaded files yourself, or if the PI uploaded files. As an SO, you can also view doc-uments and make any desired changes to the submission before submitting.

After you submit additional materials, you will receive an email notifying you of the submission. Agency staff will view the submission in the Grant Folder, and will return the submission if it is found to be insufficient. All submissions, including those that are returned, are accessible to you in the **Submissions by Awardee** area of the detailed *Status Information* screen, which will include a rationale for returning the submission.

To Check Additional Materials Submission Status:

The PI and SO can view submission details, including comments, on the *Status Information* screen. Additionally, comments entered by the PI or SO can be viewed by agency staff.

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your PI or SO credentials.
- 2. Open the **Status** module and search for the award that requires additional materials.

See How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status? on page 465 or Status for Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PI Role) on page 474.

- 3. In Status search results, click the award number in the **Application/Award ID** column, which opens the detailed *Status Information* screen.
- 4. Scroll to the *Submission by Awardee* section and view the Status.
 - Submitted. Submitted but not yet evaluated by agency.
 - **Rejected.** Submitted and not accepted by agency due to insufficiencies.

Submissions by Awardee									
				01	4 - 54 - 4 - 1 4				
				Showing 1	- 1 of total 1				
Date 🔶	Comments \$	Submitted By	Files 🔅	Status 🗢	Action \$				
07/10/2020	Submitted mat	Toth, Tessa	4 Files	Submitted	View				

Figure 238: Submission by Awardee section on the Status Information screen

5. Click the **View** button and read the **Comments** section to see comments from the agency.

View Submission Deta	ails	
3 OT2 OD000000-01S3		
Status: Awarded. Non-fellowships only	Project Title: Mammalian Colonic Nervous Sy	ystem
PI Name: TACE, YETTIE	NIH Appl. ID: 10008153	Application ID: 3 OT2 OD000000-01S3
Project Period: 09/16/2017 - 08/31/2020	Budget Period: 09/01/2019 - 08/31/2020	
Submission Details		
Submitted Date: 07/10/2020		
Submitted By: Toth, Tessa		
Comments: Submitted materials are missing	g a budget.	
Files:		
File Name		
LongRangePlan.pdf <u>Milestones.pdf</u> <u>ProgressReport.pdf</u> <u>Target Instructions.docx</u>		

Figure 239: View Submission Details screen, accessible from the Status Information screen, where you can view comments from the agency on submitted materials

If a submission is rejected, the awardee can address rejection comments by making another submission.

Submitting Interim Reports for RADx Grants

Certain *Rapid Acceleration of Diagnostics* (RADx) grantees can submit their interim reports using the **Add Additional Materials** action in the Status module.

The following guide notices provide instructions on content and frequency of reports for the RADx grants eligible to use this functionality:

<u>Updated Instructions on Interim Reporting and Carryover for RADx-UP Recipients</u> (https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-21-038.html) <u>Updated Reporting Requirements for RADx-rad Grant Recipients (https://-grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-21-084.html)</u>

Further information on the RADx programs can be found on the RadX Programs website.

Contact principal investigators (PI) can start the process by uploading requested documents and notifying the signing official (SO), who then logs into eRA Commons and ultimately approves the submission by submitting it to the agency. Requests for additional materials may take place outside the Status module through email or some other communication mechanism or as part of the Notice of Award conditions.

Only signing officials can actually submit the additional materials. Contact principal investigators can add the requested materials and notify the SO via the *Submitting Additional Materials to Agency* screen, but the SO must sign into eRA Commons and actually submit the materials.

In a Status search results list, awardees initially see **Add Additional Materials** in the **Action** column (PIs) or under the three-dot ellipsis menu (SOs) for their award. If materials have been added but not yet submitted, the option is labeled **Edit Additional Mater**ials.

S	tatus Result -	- List of App	licatio	ns/Awards	? 59			🗸 Gro	uped View Flat View
	OT2OD024899 4	09/16/2017 - 08/31/2020 (F Period)	Project	TACE, VETTIE (PD/PI)				Awarded. N	Ion-fellowships only
	Application/Award	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposa	l Title	PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
	R01CA012345		Colonic 1	Nervous System	TACE, VETTIE (PI)		Awarded. Non- fellowships only	09/14/2019	Edit Additional Materials
	R01CA012346		Mammal Nervous		TACE, VETTIE		Awarded. Non- fellowships	03/05/2019	Add Additional Materials

Figure 240: Principal Investigator View of Status Results

NOTE: In the signing official view of Status, the actions **Add Additional Materials** and **Edit Additional Materials** will appear under the three-dot ellipsis menu for grant.

To Submit Additional Materials for an Award:

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your PI or SO user ID and password.
- Open the Status module and locate the award that requires additional materials.
 See How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status? on page 465 or Status for Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PI Role) on page 474.
- 3. Click the **Add Additional Materials** option in the **Actions** column. The Submitting Additional Materials to Agency screen appears.

Award Information			
Grant Number: R01CA0123 Org Name: UNIVERSITY OF	45 CALIFORNIA LOS ANGELES	PD/PI Name: TACE, VETTIE	
Project Title: Colonic Nervo Project Period: 09/16/2017 to	-	Budget Period: 09/01/2019 - 08/31/2020	
Additional Materials			
Please provide additional	materials (drop files to attac	h or click on the Upload button):	1 Upload
File Name	Date Uploaded	Uploaded By	
LongRangePlan.pdf	07/09/2020	TACE, VETTIE	View Delete
Milestones.pdf	07/09/2020	TACE, VETTIE	View 🛍 Delete
ProgressReport.pdf	07/09/2020	TACE, VETTIE	View Delete
Please provide Comment	8:		
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Enclosed please find the	additional materials required	at this date.	

4. Click **Upload** and add a file from your drive. You are limited to 10 files per Additional Materials submission, and the files must be one of these common file types: gif, .jpg, .bmp, .png, .doc, .docx, .xls, .xlsx, .ppt, .pptx, .msg and .pdf; otherwise an error message appears. For uploaded files, you can:

- Click **View** and the browser will open or download the file.
- Click **Delete** to remove the file.

NOTE: You can upload multiple files simultaneously by dragging and dropping the files to the upload files area of the screen.

- In the comments field, give details on what the material is or why it is being submitted. Any comments entered by the PI and/or SO can be viewed by agency staff. The PI/SO can also review submissions, including comments, on the *Status Information* screen.
- 6. At the bottom of the form, click one of the buttons, which are different if you are an SO vs. a PI:
 - **Save.** Saves the submission and attached materials without submitting. Do this if you plan to come back to the request later and add or edit materials.
 - **Delete.** Removes the submission and attached materials. Do this if you decide you do not need to add additional materials at this time.
 - Notify SO. If you are a PI, you see the Notify SO button. Only the SO can submit the materials to the agency. Click the Notify SO button if you are ready for the SO to review and submit the additional materials, then click OK in the confirmation message that appears. The SO will subsequently receive a notification email to log in and submit materials.
 - **Submit.** If you are an SO, you see a Submit button whether you prepared the additional materials submission yourself, or if a PI prepared the submission earlier. As an SO, you can also view documents and make any desired changes to the submission prepared by a PI before submitting.



After you submit additional materials, you will receive an email notifying you of the submission. Agency staff will view the submission in the Grant Folder, and will return the submission if it is found to be insufficient. All submissions, including those that are returned, are accessible to you in the **Submissions by Awardee**

area of the detailed *Status Information* screen, which will include a rationale for returning the submission.

To Check Additional Materials Submission Status:

The PI/SO can view submission details including comments in the Status Information folder. Additionally, comments entered by the PI and/or SO can be viewed by agency staff.

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your PI or SO user ID and password.
- 2. Open the **Status** module and search for the award that requires additional materials.

See How Does an AOR or SO Check Submission Status? on page 465 or Status for Program Directors/Principal Investigators (PI Role) on page 474.

- 3. In Status search results, click the award number in the **Application/Award ID** column, which opens the detailed *Status Information* screen.
- 4. Scroll to the *Submission by Awardee* section and view the Status.
 - **Submitted.** Submitted but not yet evaluated by agency.
 - **Rejected.** Submitted and not accepted by agency due to insufficiencies.

Date Comments Submitted By Files Status Action Action 07/10/2020 Submitted mat Toth, Tessa 4 Files Submitted View	• s	Submissions by Awardee									
Date Comments Submitted By Files Status Action								Showing 1	1 of total 1		
								Showing			
07/10/2020 Submitted mat Toth, Tessa 4 Files Submitted View		Date	•	Comments 🌼	Submitted By	¢	Files 🔅	Status 🔅	Action 🗘		
		07/10/202	20	Submitted mat	Toth, Tessa		4 Files	Submitted	View		

5. Click the **View** button and read the **Comments** section to see comments from the agency.

/iew Submission Deta	ails	
R01CA012345		
Status: Awarded. Non-fellowships only	Project Title: Mammalian Colonic Nervous S	system
PI Name: TACE, YETTIE	NIH Appl. ID: 10008153	Application ID: 3 OT2 OD000000-01S3
Project Period: 09/16/2017 - 08/31/2020	Budget Period: 09/01/2019 - 08/31/2020	
Submission Details		
Submitted Date: 07/10/2020		
Submitted By: Toth, Tessa		
Comments: Submitted materials are missin	g a budget.	
Files:		
File Name		
LongRangePlan.pdf <u>Milestones.pdf</u> <u>ProgressReport.pdf</u> <u>Target</u> Instructions.docx		

If a submission is rejected, the awardee can address rejection comments by making another submission.

SBIR/STTR Foreign Disclosure Form—Request for Additional Materials

After your organization receives an award from SBIR/STTR, your organization will be required to submit a form detailing foreign affiliations or relationships to foreign countries at regular intervals and within 30 days of any substantive change. The Required Disclosures of Foreign Affiliations or Relationships to Foreign Countries form applies to all competing applications for funding under the NIH, CDC, and FDA SBIR and STTR programs submitted for due dates on or after September 5, 2023. For details and to find a copy of the form that needs to be completed, see <u>Required Disclosures of Foreign Affiliations of Foreign Countries</u>.

Regular, annual updates are required at the time of all SBIR/STTR annual, interim, and final Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs). For changes that occur between

RPPR submissions, updated disclosure forms are required within 30 days of any change in ownership, entity structure, covered individual, or other substantive changes in circumstance; see guide notice <u>Clarification of Implementation of the NIH SBIR and STTR</u> <u>Foreign Disclosure Pre-award and Post-Award Requirements</u>.

While either a principal investigator (PI) or a signing official (SO) can upload a form, write comments, and save the request, only the SO can actually submit the form to the award-ing agency.

To upload a Foreign Disclosure Form:

- Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as a signing official (SO) or principal investigator (PI).
 Either an SO or PI can upload the form, but ONLY the SO can submit it.
- 2. <u>Navigate to the Status module</u> and search for an award that requires the foreign disclosure form.
- 3. On the award, click the **Foreign Disclosure Request for Additional Materials** link, which appears for all SBIR/STTR awards.

For a PI, this link appears in the Available Actions column in the list of Applications/Awards. For an SO, this link appears under the three-dot ellipsis icon for an award in the table of search results.

✓ R42OD030303	C	99/15/2023 - 08/31/2025 (Project 'eriod)	CORALD, DONACE (PD/PI)	Referen	ce Diets	A	warded. Non-fellowships only
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title	PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
9R42OD030303-02A1	GRANT05050505	Reference Diets	CORALD, DONACE (PI)	Submission Complete	Awarded. Non- fellowships only	09/14/2023	Foreign Disclosure Request for Additional Materials

Figure 241: PI view of Status - Foreign Disclosure Request for Additional Materials option

Status Result - Gen	era	l Search 😧							
Filter Table		3 Results							1 of 1 👻
Application/Award ID 🍦		Grants.gov Tracking # 🜲	Proposal Title 🗢	PD/PI Name ≑	Application Status 🗢	Project Period Start 👻	Project Period End ≑	Budget Period Start \$	Budget Period End ≑
2R44TR001286-02		GRANT12374348 Foreign Disclosure Red View Prior eSubmissio	Blood Substitute quest for Additional Materials	Vuken, Jela	Awarded. Non-fellowships only	05/01/2016	06/30/2020	07/01/2018	06/30/2019

Figure 242: SO view of Status - Foreign Disclosure Request for Additional Materials option

The Foreign Disclosure Request for Additional Materials screen appears. In the explanatory text, you can see a '**foreign disclosure form**' link (outlined below), which leads to a page with details and a copy of the blank form.

Award Information		
Award Number R42OD030303-02A1 Project Title Reference Diets	PD/PI Name Corald, Donace	Org Name BIOTECH, LLC
Project Period 09/15/2023 - 08/31/2025	Budget Period 09/15/2023 - 08/31/2024	
SBIR/STTR Foreign Disc	losure Form	
		al Security Number, personal financial information, Alien tions, etc.) must not be uploaded into eRA Commons.
Disclosure Form. Each NIH SBIR/STTR rec or all owners and covered individuals. Fo	cipient is required to disclose all funded and unfun	ed when there are post-award changes to the Foreign ded relationships with foreign countries, using the disclosure form STTR Extension Act of 2022, is only required for SBIR/STTR ember 5. 2023.
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Figure 243: Foreign Disclosure Request for Additional Materials screen, showing Save (for all users) and Submit (for SO only) buttons, as well as a link to find the PDF form.

- 4. Drag and drop file(s) in the **"Drop Files Here.."** area, or click the **browse** link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. Uploaded files are saved immediately with the request. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **be** to remove the file.
- 5. Click **Save** to save the comments in the request.
- 6. When the form is ready to submit, an SO should log in and click the **Submit** button. (The PI does not see or have access to the **Submit** button.)

A green success message lets you know that the file has been submitted. After submission, you cannot make changes. The form immediately becomes available for agency staff to review and process after submission.

Closeout Status

Agency-Specific Instructions: Closeout has different policies in place according to the agency who funds the award. Look for agency-specific instructions in this topic to determine if guidance applies to your award.

Closeout is a status in which an awardee needs to prepare and submit the information necessary to complete grant closeout requirements. Before closeout begins, all financial and progress reports need to be submitted and accepted by the awarding agency.

You can use the Status module to search for awards in various stages of Closeout and then submit required documentation or otherwise complete the closeout activities. The closeout tasks differ depending on the agency that funded the award.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). Once closeout is initiated, DOC awardees can no longer modify and resubmit a semi-annual RPPR.

More than one person can work on closeout activities. Pls can initiate closeout activities and upload files and save the closeout submission package, but only SOs for the award-holding organization can submit all final reports/documentation.

If you hold a signing official (SO) or principal investigator (PI) role, you can access the *Closeout Status* screen to perform the following:

- Track your grants that are in Closed status
- Submit reports required for closeout (only SOs can submit)
- Initiate/access Final Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs)
- Submit any requested additional material (FRAM) related to your Final Research Performance Progress Report (Final RPPR)
- Initiate/access Final Progress Reports (FPR) (Department of Commerce awards only)
- Access the Federal Financial Report (FFR) module of Commons, where you can start the Federal Financial Reports (you must have an FSR role in addition to the SO role*). For awards from most agencies, the FFR module redirects you to the federal Payment Management System (PMS) to complete/submit the report. For Depart-

ment of Commerce awards, you can complete and submit the report within eRA Commons' FFR module without accessing PMS.

- Initiate/access Final Progress Reports (FPR) (Department of Commerce awards or SAMHSA awards only)
- Provide documentation for the Additional Closeout Documentation requirement (Department of Commerce awards only)

NOTE: *A user with the FSR role only can go directly to the FFR module and work with FFRs, but cannot access Status or closeout screens.

Possible Statuses for Closeout

On the *Status* module's **Closeout** search screen, an SO can use the **Closeout Status** search dropdown to limit search results to awards in the following statuses:

- **Requires Closeout**: Grant has not completed the closeout process
- **Closed**: Grant has completed the closeout process
- In Unilateral Closeout: Grant is currently in the process of being unilaterally closed (see *Health and Human Services-Specific Guidance for Award Closeout* section below)
- **Unilaterally Closed** Grant has been unilaterally closed by the IC (see *Health and Human Services-Specific Guidance for Award Closeout* section below)

Closeout Status Screen

The *Closeout Status* screen appears after you select one of the following actions from a grant: **Closed**, **In Unilateral Closeout**, **Requires Closeout**, or **Unilaterally Closed**. (See *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582 Unilateral closeout is closeout without receipt of acceptable final reports for those recipients that are not in compliance with the policy.

The *Closeout Status* screen contains a list of requirements for closeout. Each requirement has an instruction, the status of the requirement, and an **Action** column. If the grant is still open, review the requirements, read the instruction for each, and take actions to complete Closeout activities. Actions are role-based, so persons with different roles will closeout different requirements. Be sure that you possess the role as described in the **Instruction** column.

Initially, there are actions buttons in the **Actions** column for a closeout activity, starting with "**Initiate**..." or "**Manage**...". After a report is started and saved, but not submitted, those buttons change to "**Edit**...", which lets you review and change the report before submission. After submission, the buttons change to "**View**", whereupon no further changes can be made. Some reports allow repeated initiation and resubmission of the report and action buttons are named accordingly.

If the award is already closed, you might have the option to view submitted material with a **View** link. If the award is in Unilateral Closeout, links might be available in the **Action** column unless requirements have been closed by grants management staff, in which case you do not see the links. When Unilaterally Closed, links are not available.

NIH-Specific Guidance on Closeout

Agency-Specific Instructions: NIH. The material in this section applies to NIH-funded awards only. If your grant is funded by a different agency other than NIH, check with your grants management specialist for specific policy guidance on closeout.

Policy: <u>Closeout policy information</u>

NIH closes out grants as soon as possible after expiration of a grant that is not to be extended or after termination of a grant. Closeout includes timely submission of all required reports and adjustments for amounts due the grantee or NIH. Closeout of a grant does not automatically cancel any requirements for property accountability, record retention, or financial accountability. Following Closeout, the grantee remains obligated to return funds due, because of later refunds, corrections, or other transactions, and the Federal Government may recover amounts based on the results of an audit covering any part of the period of grant support.

Notes about Interim RPPR and Final RPPR

• The Interim RPPR (IRPPR) is used when you are submitting a Competing Renewal application (Type 2). If you opt NOT to apply for a Competing Renewal, complete the Final RPPR as you normally would within 120 days of the project end date. If you are going to complete a Competing Renewal application (or have already submitted such an application), you will submit an Interim RPPR. This must be submitted within 120 days of the project end date.

• If you are awarded the renewal, the Interim RPPR will be treated as your annual RPPR and no other progress reporting will be needed for that segment of the study. If the application is NOT awarded, then the Interim RPPR will be accepted as the Final RPPR.

Health and Human Services-Specific Guidance for Award Closeout

Agency-Specific Instructions: Health and Human Services (HHS). This section describes **unilateral closeout** policies of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS).

HHS has issued a directive to agencies on new policies for closeout of grant awards. NIH has revised its policies and procedures to align with the OER Policy Announcement 2014 regarding the guidance on implementation of HHS GPAM Chapter 1101 (Closeout), including Unilateral Closeout.

The policy chapter directs Institutes/Centers (ICs) to initiate a unilateral closeout – a closeout without the cooperation of the grantee – 180 days after the project end date if it has not received acceptable final reports required by the terms and conditions of an award. After making reasonable efforts to obtain the final reports ICs must close all awards no later than 270 days after the project end date. This substantially decreases the timeframe in which NIH must officially close a grant after the project end date.

Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)

Closeout is a status in which either the principal investigator (PI) or signing official (SO) prepare and upload the reports necessary to complete grant closeout requirements for an award. Both the PI and SO use the Status module to find grants in closeout status, and both can upload reports and save the submission package, but only the SO can submit the reports to the awarding agency.

If you hold an SO or PI role, you can access the Closeout Status screen. PIs can access closeout only for their own awards. SOs can access closeout for all their organization's awards. Because the Status module is different for PIs and SOs, the steps for accessing closeout is different.

Accessing the Closeout Screen

Both the PI and the SO use the Status module to access the **Closeout Status** screen for an award. The SO and PI have different views of the Status module. See below for instructions on accessing the Closeout Status screen for your role (PI or SO). Only those Commons users with the FSR role see the Manage Final FFR action button on the Closeout Status screen.

Closeout State	us 😮					
Application Inf	formation				Form Appro	oved OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Number: NA18SEC0101016-T1-0	01	PD/PI Name: .FRABRE, MIDON (CONTACT)	BF	oseout Contact Name: RELYSE, MIDON		
Project Period: 10/01/2018 to 09/30/2	Project Period: Closeout Status: 10/01/2018 to 09/30/2023 Requires Closeout			Closeout Contact Email: eRATest@mail.nih.gov		
Proposal Title:	025	Date Of Status Change:		oseout Contact Phone:		
Climate resilience		10/29/2023				
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR		d view the FFR, you must have the ociated with your Commons	Not Started			Manage Final FFR
Final RPPR	Only the SO of the Final RPPF	or the PI of the Award may process R.	Not Received			Process Final RPPR
Additional Closeout Documentation		d use this section to submit any d closeout documents as stated in	Not Applicab	Ie Please click on the link under action column to view the status of each document type.		Provide Documentation

Figure 244: Closeout Status screen

On the Closeout Status screen, if the award is still open, review the requirements, read the instruction for each, and take actions to complete Closeout activities. Actions are role-based, so persons with different roles closeout different requirements. Specifically, SOs can submit documents to the agency, and PIs cannot submit.

If the award is already closed, you might have the option to view submitted material with a **View** link.

How Principal Investigator Accesses Award in Closeout

A PI should go to the Status module, expand the grant that requires closeout, and click the **Requires Closeout** button (or other closeout button, such as **Closed**, **In Unilateral Closeout**, **Unilaterally Closed**).

R01AG060606	02/29		n, hatfi (p	D/PI) Dementia	Determinants	(Title) Aw fell	arded. Non- owships only
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title	PD/PI Name	eSubmission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
5R01AG060606-05		Dementia Determinants	DOW, HATFI (PI)		Awarded. Non- fellowships only	03/07/2023	Requires Closeout RPPR Human Subjects
5R01AG060606-04		Dementia Determinants	DOW, HATFI (PI)		Awarded. Non- fellowships only	03/07/2022	RPPR Human Subjects

Figure 245: Status for PI search results showing the Requires Closeout action, outlined

The Closeout Status screen appears.

How Signing Official Finds and Accesses Award in Closeout

To access closeout for an award, an SO does this:

- 1. Go to the Status module.
- 2. Select **Closeout** in the **Search Type** dropdown.

Search Type:		General	~
Туре	Activ	General Just in Time Recently Awarded	
ex: 5	ex:	Closeout Relinquishing Statements Recent/Pending eSubmissions	
Project Number		Re-Assign Award ESI Eligibility Search in ASSIST	

Figure 246: Search Type dropdown in Status for SOs showing the Closeout search option

- 3. Select **Requires Closeout** in the **Closeout Status** dropdown, or another closeout status (**In Unilateral Closeout**, **Closed**, or **Unilaterally Closed**.
- 4. Click **Search**.
- 5. On the award, the SO clicks the three-dot ellipsis icon and selects **Requires Closeout** or other closeout status.

Status Result - General Search ?									
Application/Award ID 💠	Grants.gov Tracking # 🗘	Proposal Title 💠	PD/PI Name ‡	Application Status ≑	Project Period Start 🗸	Project Period End \$	Budget Period Start ‡	Budget Period End ≑	
NA21NMF0080299-T1-01 (MPI	GRANT13307256 Requires Closeout	Layers of Louisiana Natural History	Dullo, Daelle (Contact)	Awarded. Non-fel- lowships only	01/01/2022	12/31/2023	01/01/2022	12/31/2023	
NA21OAR4170155-T1-01 (MP)	View Terms Tracking Revision Request Correspondence	Community Science Catalyst	Dullo, Daelle (Contact)	Awarded. Non-fel- lowships only	05/01/2021	04/30/2025	05/01/2021	04/30/2025	

The Closeout Status screen appears.

Closeout for NIH Awards

NIH awards have the following type of actions/reports due in closeout:

- Federal Financial Report (FFR)
- <u>Final Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR)</u>. A final report for research awards.
- Final Invention Statement
- <u>Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)</u>. This is only required if the agency asks for updates to the submitted progress report.

Closeout—Federal Financial Report (FFR)

The Federal Financial Report (FFR) is required for closeout. The FFR report should be prepared according instructions provided by the awarding agency. Commons users with the FSR role can see the **Manage Final FFR** action on the Closeout Status screen. Click the **Manage Final FFR** action to be redirected to the FFR module, from which you can complete the FFR. If you see a **View** action for the FFR requirement, the FFR has already been submitted and you can use the **View** action to see the submitted data.

For awards funded by most agencies, the FFR can be initiated from eRA Commons FFR module or from the *Closeout Status* screen, but users are then redirected to the federal Payment Management System (PMS) to fill out and submit the report. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Long Form (Non-DOC Awards)* on page 223. Users need appropriate access to the Payment Management System; see <u>the PMS Help Desk page</u> if you have trouble accessing PMS.

Agency-Specific Instructions: For awards funded by Department of Commerce (DOC), users initiate and fill out the FFR form within eRA Commons. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Module (DOC)*.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

Closeout—Final Research Performance Progress Report for NIH

Awards

Agency-Specific Instructions: NIH ONLY. The policy guidance in this topic applies to NIH only. See *Closeout—Final Research Performance Progress Report for NON-NIH Awards* on page 672 for Final RPPR guidance for awards that are NOT funded by NIH.

As of January 1, 2017, a Final Research Performance Progress Report (Final RPPR) is required for any grant that has ended and any grant that is not to be extended through award of a new competitive segment. The report is due within 120 days of the end of the project period. This report should be prepared in accordance with instructions provided by the awarding component. See <u>NIH Implementation of Final Research Performance</u> <u>Progress Reports (Final RPPR)</u> — Guide Notice NOT-OD-17-022.

Effective February 9, 2017, if the recipient organization has submitted a renewal application on or before the date by which a Final Research Performance Progress Report would be required for the current competitive segment, then submission of an *Interim RPPR* via eRA Commons is required. The Interim RPPR (IRPPR) will be used for the submission of a Competing Renewal application (Type 2). See <u>NIH Implementation of the</u> <u>Interim RPPR while a Renewal Application is Under Consideration</u> — (Guide Notice NOT-OD-17-037).

Both the Interim RPPR and the Final RPPR are identical in process and information required. The difference between them is when and where they are made available to initiate and submit. The **Interim RPPR** link is available to the signing official (SO) and principal investigator on the *Status* screen when a grant is eligible for submission for a Competing Renewal application.

The Final RPPR is only available as part of the Closeout process and the **Process Final RPPR** link only appears on the <u>Closeout Status</u> screen.

The format of the Interim RPPR, the Final RPPR, and the annual RPPR are the same, making it easier for grantees to navigate and complete them.

Differences between Interim/Final RPPR and the annual RPPR are:

- In the Interim/Final RPPR, only *D.1* is required in the *Participants* section
- Sections F: Changes and Section H: Budget are not part of the Interim/Final RPPR
- Section I: Outcomes is required for both the Interim/Final RPPR

Note about Interim RPPR and Final RPPR

- The Interim RPPR (IRPPR) is used when you are submitting a Competing Renewal application (Type 2). If you opt NOT to apply for a Competing Renewal, complete the Final RPPR as you normally would within 120 days of the project end date. If you are going to complete a Competing Renewal application (or have already submitted such an application), you will submit an Interim RPPR. This must be submitted within 120 days of the project end date.
- If you are awarded the renewal, the Interim RPPR will be treated as your annual RPPR and no other progress reporting will be needed for that segment of the study. If the application is NOT awarded, then the Interim RPPR will be accepted as the Final RPPR.

Submit Your Final RPPR

- Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the **Process Final RPPR** button in Closeout Status.

Applicatio	n Information	۱			Form Appr	oved OMB	No. 0925-0002
Award Number	r:	PD/PI Name:		c	loseout Con	tact Name	
NA18SEC01010	16-T1-01	FRABRE, MIDON	(CONTACT)	В	RELYSE, MID	ON	
Project Period:		Closeout Status		c	loseout Con	tact Email:	:
10/01/2018 to 0	9/30/2023	Requires Closeo	ut	e	RATest@mail	.nih.gov	
Proposal Title:		Date Of Status	Date Of Status Change:		Closeout Contact Phone:		2:
Climate resiliend	e	10/29/2023					
Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Action	s Dat	e A	ction
FFR	To submit and vie must have the 'FS with your Commo	R' role associated	Not Started				
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the may process the F		Not Received				Process Final RPPR
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, F Statement require		Not Received				Process Final Invention Statement

Figure 247: Closeout Status screen showing Process Final RPPR button, outlined

The RPPR Menu screen appears.

If the Final RPPR has already been initiated, then no **Initiate** button appears and you should skip the next step.

3. If an **Initiate** button appears on this screen, click the **Initiate** button to start the Final RPPR.

RPPR Menu RPPR				
Award Number	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI)	Due Date	Current Reviewer	Status
5R01CA200000-05	BROWN, JAN	12/15/2021		Not Started
Institution		Project Title		
UNIVERSITY OF CALIF		Glioblastoma		

Figure 248: RPPR Menu screen, showing the Initiate button outlined

4. Click the **Initiate** button to create the Final RPPR. The Final RPPR Menu will then change, showing the option to Edit the Final RPPR under the thee-dot ellipsis menu:

RPPR Mer	าน 😧				
RPPR					
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05	BROWN, JAN	Principal Investigator(PI)	Due Date 12/15/2021	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in Progress
Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	Check for Errors Check RPPR as PDF View ROPPR as PDF View Routing History		Project Title Glioblastoma		
	Route to Next Reviewer Submit				Sancel

Figure 249: RPPR Menu screen after RPPR has been initiated, showing the three-dot ellipsis menu with the Edit RPPR action

5. Select Edit RPPR from the three-dot ellipsis menu, fill out the RPPR, and Submit it (only SOs can submit). For more details on filling out the RPPR, see *Editing the RPPR Forms* on page 331.

Field-by-field guidance is available for completing the NIH, AHRQ, and VA Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs). Refer to the *NIH and Other PHS Agency RPPR Instruction Guide* (<u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/rppr/rppr_instruction_guide.pdf</u>) for completing Sections A-I of the RPPR. This guide does not apply to Department of Commerce (DOC) awards.

Closeout—Final Invention Statement

Either a principal investigator (PI) or a signing official (SO) can edit a final invention statement, but only an SO can submit it to the agency. Use this procedure to complete a Final Invention Statement that lists inventions that were conceived as part of the research grant.

Reporting Inventions on the Final Invention Statement on page 590

Reporting No Inventions on the Final Invention Statement on page 594

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

NIH Final Invention Statement Policy Guidance

Agency-Specific Instructions: NIH only. The following policy guidance applies to NIH-funded awards only.

You must submit a Final Invention Statement (FIS) within 120 days following the termination of a grant award. The statement should include all inventions that were conceived or first reduced to practice during the course of work under the grant or award, from the original effective date of support through the date of completion or termination.

Policy: For policy information on awards funded by the Department of Health and Human Services, refer to the <u>Procedure for Submission of Final Invention Statement and</u> <u>Certification</u>.

If your award is funded by a non-NIH source, check with your awarding agency for policy guidance on final invention statements.

Reporting Inventions on the Final Invention Statement

To complete a final invention statement when inventions need to be reported:

 Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.

The Closeout Status screen appears.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Closeout S	tatus 🕑					
Application	n Information				Form App	roved OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Number 5R01HS020202-(PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAIN	ES		Closeout Contact GRELEN, GAGOR	Name
Project Period 08/01/2019 to 05	5/31/2024	Closeout Stat Requires Close		Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov		
•		Date Of Statu 07/18/2024	s Change		Closeout Contact 301-555-5555	Phone
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view t have the 'FSR' role as Commons Account.	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	Not Started			Manage Final FFR
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the P process the Final RPF		Not Received			Process Final RPPR
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Final requires verification I Official of the Institut	, , ,	Not Received			Process Final Invention Statement

Figure 250: Closeout Status screen example showing the Process Final Invention Statement button

2. Click the Process Final Invention Statement button on Closeout Status.

The Process Final Invention Statement screen displays.

Process Final Inventio	n Statement 😯		
Application Information	l i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i i	Form Approved OMB	No. 0925-0002
Award Number 5R01HS020202-03	PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES	Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR	
Project Period 08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024	Closeout Status Requires Closeout	Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	
Proposal Title Making health care safer	Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024	Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555	
Add New Inventions			
Name of Inventor *	Title of Invention *	Date Reported to DHHS *	
ARBALI, CIAINES	Modulabalator	07/30/24	(
		Must be Today's date or Before	
		Save with No Inventions	ention and Sav
		Return to	Closeout Statu

Figure 251: Process Final Invention Statement screen with no inventions yet added

- 3. To add an invention:
 - a. Type the **Name of Inventor**, **Title of Invention**, and the **Date Reported to DHSS** (the date you want to officially report it to the Department of Health and Human Services).
 - b. Click the Add Invention and Save button.

The *Confirm Invention* popup appears with customized language depending on whether the award is funded by AHRQ or NIH.

Confirm Invention	×
By continuing, you are hereby certifying, to the best of your knowledge and belief, all inventions are listed which were conceived or first actually reduced to practice during the cours of work under the referenced DHHS award for the specified period. Further, this report does not in any way relieve our obligation to promptly and fully report all inventions directly to the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality, as required by terms of the award.	>
Cancel Agree and Continu	ıe

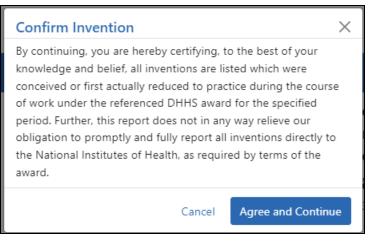


Figure 252: Confirm Invention popup screen attesting that all inventions are listed

c. Click **Agree and Continue** in the popup even if you have more inventions to add.

The invention is now listed under *Added Inventions* at the bottom of the screen. As long as the final invention statement has not yet been submitted, either a PI or SO who views this screen can click an item's **Delete Invention and Save** link in the Action column to remove it.

Added Invent	ions		
Name of Inventor	Title of Invention	Date Reported to DHHS	Action
Sally Fields	filmerator	07/30/2024	🗑 Delete Invention and Save
Burt Reynolds	Truckerator	07/30/2024	To Delete Invention and Save
	Return to	Closeout Status	(Inventions Reported) Submit

Figure 253: Added Inventions section of Process Final Invention Statement screen, showing a list of inventions

4. To add additional inventions, repeat the previous step as many times as necessary. Any inventions you define are saved immediately. **NOTE:** Click the **Preview (Inventions Reported)** button to download a PDF copy of the final invention statement form filled out with the entered information and grant information.

5. When all the inventions are listed at the bottom of the screen, click the **Submit** button to submit the invention statement to the awarding agency. (Only the SO can submit—the PI does not see a **Submit** button.)

The Confirm Invention popup appears again.

6. Click **Agree and Continue** again to complete submission.

You are returned to the *Closeout Status* screen and the Final Invention Statement task now indicates the Status of Submitted and shows submission details.

After final invention statement submission, the PDF form that was submitted is available on the *Closeout Status* screen by clicking the **View** button next to the Final Invention Statement task.

Reporting No Inventions on the Final Invention Statement

To complete a final invention statement certifying that no inventions exist:

 Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.

The Closeout Status screen appears.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Application	n Information				Form Approv	red OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Number 5R01HS020202-		PD/PI Name ARBALI <u>,</u> CIAIN	ES		seout Contact Na ELEN, GAGOR	ame
Project Period 08/01/2019 to 0	5/31/2024	Closeout State Requires Close		Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov		
Proposal Title Making health c	are safer	Date Of Statu 07/18/2024	s Change		seout Contact Pł -555-5555	ione
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view the have the 'FSR' role asso		Not Started			Manage Final FFR
	Commons Account.					
Final RPPR	Commons Account. Only the SO or the PI of process the Final RPPR		Not Received			Process Final RPPR

Figure 254: Closeout Status screen example showing the Process Final Invention Statement button

2. Click the **Process Final Invention Statement** button on *Closeout Status* screen.

Process Final Invention	Statement 😮		
Application Information		Form Approved OMB No. 09	925-0002
Award Number 5R01HS020202-03 Project Period 08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024	PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES Closeout Status Requires Closeout	Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	
Proposal Title Making health care safer	Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024	Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555	
Add New Inventions			
Name of Inventor *	Title of Invention *	Date Reported to DHHS *	
ARBALI, CIAINES	Modulabalator	07/30/24	i
		Must be Today's date or Before	
		Save with No Inventions Add Invention	and Save
		Return to Closed	out Status

The Process Final Invention Statement screen displays.

Figure 255: Process Final Invention Statement screen with Save with No Inventions button outlined

3. Click the Save with No Inventions button.

A success message appears on the top right side of the eRA screen heading. You will also notice that the Preview button is now named **Preview (No Inventions Reported)**.

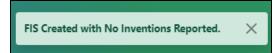


Figure 256: Success message in eRA Commons banner noting the FIS (final invention statement) was created with no inventions reported

Add New Inventions * Required Fields			
Name of Inventor *	Title of Invention *	Date Reported to I	OHHS *
		mm/dd/yyyy	i
		Must be Today's date of	or Before
	Save	e with No Inventions	Add Invention and Save
	Return to Closeout Status	Preview (No Invention	ns Reported) Submit

Figure 257: Final Inventions Statement with no inventions, showing the name of Preview button changed to "Preview (No Inventions Reported)

NOTE: Click the **Preview (No Inventions Reported)** button to download a PDF copy of the final invention statement form filled out with the entered information and grant information.

4. Once you confirm that the Preview button is now renamed to indicate "No Inventions Reported", click the Submit button to submit a statement indicating no inventions are being reported. (Only the SO sees a Submit button and has the ability to submit.)

A certification popup appears.

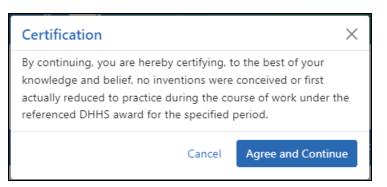


Figure 258: Certification popup for that appears when submitting a final invention statement indicating no inventions

5. Click **Agree and Continue** in the *Certification* popup.

You are returned to the *Closeout Status* screen and the Final Invention Statement task now indicates the Status of Submitted and shows submission details.

After final invention statement submission, the PDF form that was submitted is available on the *Closeout Status* screen by clicking the **View** button next to the Final Invention Statement task.

Closeout—Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials* (FRAM) link provides a means for awardees to enter, review, route, and submit information in response to specific request (s) by the program official (PO) for additional information related to the Final RPPR.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

While reviewing a submitted Final RPPR, the PO might determine that additional materials related to the submitted report are required. In this case, the PO submits a request for this information referred to as a FRAM request. When a FRAM request is made, the PI is notified via email with a description of the requested material and a FRAM task appears on the *Closeout Status* screen. **Agency-Specific Instructions:** SAMHSA: For awards funded by NIH, FDA, and VA, a FRAM request is also used to ask for a *Revised Project Outcome* from the awardee. SAMHSA awards do not use FRAM to ask for *Revised Project Outcome*, although the *Revised Project Outcome* section appears on SAMHSA FRAM screen. SAMHSA awardees should ignore all references to *Revised Project Outcomes* in the following topic, as that section of the FRAM screen is not applicable to SAMHSA.

TIP: You can view the original request for information from the *Status Information* screen. The **Closeout Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) Request** link located in **Other Relevant Documents** section of *Status Information* shows the original request.

Initiating Final Progress Report Additional Materials or Revised Project Outcomes (FRAM)

Either the PI or SO can initiate the FRAM and attach a file or type/paste a Revised Project Outcomes, but only an SO can submit.

- 1. Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. If a PO has requested additional material related to the Final RPPR, the Closeout Submission Requirement column on Closeout Status screen lists "FRAM" as a task and the **FRAM Update** button appears in the Action column.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Applicatio	n Information			F	orm Approved O	MB No. 0925-0002
Award Numbe	-	PD/PI Name POW, MICHA			out Contact Nar SS, NIKINNA	ne
Project Period 04/01/2013 to (09/30/2022	Closeout Status Requires Closeout			out Contact Ema st@mail.nih.gov	ail
Proposal Title Marmoset Nutr	rition	Date Of Stat 03/30/2024	us Change		out Contact Pho 55-7789	ne
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view have the 'FSR' role your Commons Acc		Accepted	Accepted by STEPH DEAAN (FSR)	01/30/2023	
inal RPPR	Only the SO or the F may process the Fin		Final RPPR Received	Submitted by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023 03/29/2024	View
FRAM			Not Received			FRAM Update
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Fir Statement requires Signing Official of t	verification by the	Received	Verified by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023	View

Figure 259: A sample Closeout Status screen showing the FRAM task and FRAM Update button. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

3. Click the **FRAM Update** link.

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)* screen appears. The top of the page contains certification language that should be read prior to submitting materials. It also contains *Notes and Tips* with policy guidance of what should be submitted using this screen.

Home

In submitting these Final Progress Report additional materials, the SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority), certifies that the grantee organization is in compliance with the terms and conditions specified in the Notice of Award and Grants Policy Statement, and verifies the accuracy and validity of all administrative, fiscal, and scientific information in the progress report. The SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority) further certifies that the grantee organization will be accountable for the appropriate use of any funds awarded and for the performance of the grant-supported project or activities resulting from the progress report. Deliberate withholding, falsification, or misrepresentation of information could result in administrative actions such as withdrawal of a progress report, suspension and/or termination of an award, debarment of individuals, as well as possible criminal penalties. The grantee institution may be liable for the reimbursement of funds associated with any inappropriate or fraudulent conduct of the project activity.

Notes and Tips

Please add revised outcomes to the Project Outcomes section of the Final and Interim Research Performance Progress Reports (F-RPPR and I-RPPR) using the plain language that everyone can understand.

As you are aware, with NIH's implementation of the F-RPPR and I-RPPR, a new section, Section I- Outcomes, has been added. The Outcomes section will be made publicly available through the NIH RePORTER website. The objective is to provide the public with easily understood results for NIH-funded biomedical research, thus improving the transparency about the use of federal funds. NIH will only publish project outcomes after they've been reviewed and approved by NIH staff. If a project outcome is deemed to be too scientific in its language, shares proprietary information, or includes Personally Identifiable Information (PII), a grantee will be asked by NIH staff to submit revised project outcomes using the Request for Additional Materials functionality for the Final and Interim RPPR (i.e., Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) for Final RPPR, IRAM for Interim RPPR). Grantees will respond to these requests using an enhanced web form that supports NIH's ability to make this information public. Submitting a revised outcomes statement is accomplished by using only the Project Outcomes section on the request for an additional materials web form. This text box is NOT for general comments or communication. And revised outcome statements will not be accepted if they are uploaded as an attachment. That functionality is reserved for other types of requested information.

Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM) 😯

nstitution: RESEARCH INST	0202-04 TITUTE	PD/PI Name: POW, MICHAEL Project Title: Marmoset Nutrition
RAM load Additional Materials:		
		e to upload, or <u>browse.</u> x File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
FRAM_File.pdf	🧰 🛃	
Uploaded By: Tidmmi, Tawelli	File Uploaded Date: 05/07/2024	
vised Outcome		
ase provide Revised Outco	-	Id will be publicly available in RePORTER. Ie, thus allowing recipients to provide the general public with a
For NIH Section I.Outcom	es will be made publicly availab	Id will be publicly available in RePORTER. Ie, thus allowing recipients to provide the general public with a project at the end of a competitive segment. For NIH awards the
ase provide Revised Outco For NIH Section I.Outcom cise summary of the cumul gth should not exceed half	es will be made publicly availab ative outcomes or findings of the a page. In addition, for the interin	le, thus allowing recipients to provide the general public with a
ase provide Revised Outco For NIH Section I.Outcom cise summary of the cumul gth should not exceed half st be written in the followin	es will be made publicly availab ative outcomes or findings of the a page. In addition, for the interin g format:	Ie , thus allowing recipients to provide the general public with a project at the end of a competitive segment. For NIH awards the n or final RPPR the summary of outcomes or findings of the award
ase provide Revised Outco For NIH Section I.Outcom cise summary of the cumul gth should not exceed half st be written in the followin Is written for the general p	es will be made publicly availab ative outcomes or findings of the a page. In addition, for the interin g format: public in clear, concise, and comp	Ie , thus allowing recipients to provide the general public with a project at the end of a competitive segment. For NIH awards the n or final RPPR the summary of outcomes or findings of the award
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Figure 260: The FRAM screen contains two distinct sections where material can be submitted, a section for uploading files, and a section for providing a revised outcome

There are two distinct sections to the FRAM screen: the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section, and the *Revised Outcome* section. Use the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section to upload one or more files, if files have been requested by the PO. Use the *Revised Outcome* section to type or paste revised text for the RPPR section titled "I. Outcomes". Policy guidance appears under this section to describe what type of description is needed, and it contains a link you can click to see samples of acceptable project outcomes.

To upload one or more files in the FRAM Upload Additional Materials section:

- Drag and drop file(s) in the "Drop Files Here..." area, or click the browse link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **U** to remove the file.
- 2. If you change your mind about this FRAM submission, and you want to discard it, click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen. This does not delete prior submissions.

To provide a Revised Outcome:

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA. The *Revised Project Outcome* section is not applicable for awards funded by SAMHSA.

See NIH notices **NOT-OD-17-022** and **NOT-OD-17-037** for additional policy guidance on revised outcomes.

1. Read the policy guidance in the *Revised Outcome* section prior to submitting a revised outcome.

2. Type or paste the revised outcome description into the text box provided. Tool icons at the top of the text box provide basic editing tools, such as bold, italic, bullets, numbering, and indenting.

To see what the FRAM submission includes:

- 1. First click the **Save** button at bottom of the screen.
- 2. Click the **Preview** button at the bottom of the screen.

A PDF is downloaded by the browser.

3. Use the browser or another file to open the PDF, which contains a summary of files uploaded, person who uploaded, any revised outcome that was saved, and the contents of any files that were uploaded.

To save the FRAM submission package but not submit it:

Click the **Save** button.

To submit the FRAM package to the awarding agency for their review:

- First read the certification language that appears at the top of the screen. This is what the submitter is agreeing to upon submission of the materials to the awarding agency. Only SOs or those with delegated authority to submit reports can see the **Submit** button.
- 2. To finalize this FRAM submission package and submit it for agency review, click the **Submit** button (SO only).

After you submit the FRAM, a **View** action appears on *Closeout Status*, which you can click to view a PDF document containing all documents and submission details for the FRAM request. You can also view the FRAM submission on the *Status Information* screen under **Other Relevant Documents**. The **FRAM Update** action remains until acceptance of the Final RPPR, enabling you to upload more files; however, you cannot make changes to files already submitted.

Additionally, an email notification is sent to both the SO who submitted the FRAM and to the PI of the grant. A separate notification is sent to the PO of the grant.

NOTE: The PO may rescind the approval of the Final RPPR or Final Progress Report (FPR) submission at any time. If this occurs, the **FRAM Update** action appears for submitting FRAM.

Closeout for CDC Awards

Centers for Disease Control (CDC) awards have the following type of actions/reports due in closeout:

- Federal Financial Report (FFR)
- <u>Final Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR)</u>. A final report for research awards.
- Final Invention Statement
- <u>Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)</u>. This is only required if the agency asks for updates to the submitted progress report.
- Additional Materials

Closeout—Federal Financial Report (FFR)

The Federal Financial Report (FFR) is required for closeout. The FFR report should be prepared according instructions provided by the awarding agency. Commons users with the FSR role can see the **Manage Final FFR** action on the Closeout Status screen.

Click the **Manage Final FFR** action to be redirected to the FFR module, from which you can complete the FFR. If you see a **View** action for the FFR requirement, the FFR has already been submitted and you can use the **View** action to see the submitted data.

For awards funded by most agencies, the FFR can be initiated from eRA Commons FFR module or from the *Closeout Status* screen, but users are then redirected to the federal Payment Management System (PMS) to fill out and submit the report. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Long Form (Non-DOC Awards)* on page 223. Users need appropriate

access to the Payment Management System; see <u>the PMS Help Desk page</u> if you have trouble accessing PMS.

Agency-Specific Instructions: For awards funded by Department of Commerce (DOC), users initiate and fill out the FFR form within eRA Commons. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Module (DOC)*.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

Closeout—Final Research Performance Progress Report for NON-NIH

Awards

Consult with the awarding agency for policy guidance on Final Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs).

- The H. Budget form is not applicable for Final RPPRs.
- The I. Outcomes form is applicable only for Final RPPRs.
- The F. Changes form is not applicable for Final RPPRs.

Submit Your Final RPPR

- Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the Process Final RPPR button in Closeout Status.

Applicatio	on Information	1			Form Approved	d OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Numbe	r:	PD/PI Name:		CI	oseout Contact	Name:
NA18SEC01010	16-T1-01	FRABRE, MIDON	I (CONTACT)	BF	RELYSE, MIDON	
Project Period:		Closeout Status		CI	oseout Contact	Email:
10/01/2018 to 0	9/30/2023	Requires Closeo	ut	eR	ATest@mail.nih	.gov
Proposal Title:		Date Of Status	Change:	CI	oseout Contact	Phone:
Climate resilien	ce	10/29/2023				
Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
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FFR Final RPPR	must have the 'FS	R' role associated ns Account. e PI of the Award				Process Final RPPR

Figure 261: Closeout Status sceen showing the Process Final RPPR button, outlined

The *RPPR Menu* screen appears.

If the Final RPPR has already been initiated, then no **Initiate** button appears and you should skip the next step.

3. If an **Initiate** button appears on this screen, click the **Initiate** button to start the Final RPPR.

Award Number	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI)	Due Date	Current Reviewer	Status
5R01CA200000-05	BROWN, JAN	12/15/2021		Not Started
Institution		Project Title		
UNIVERSITY OF CALIF	ORNIA	Glioblastoma		

Figure 262: RPPR Menu screen, showing the Initiate button outlined

After the Final RPPR has been initiated, you see a three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Award Number, where you can access RPPR actions.

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RPPR					
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05 Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	Program Director(PD)/Pri BROWN, JAN C Edit RPPR Check for Errors View RPPR as PDF	F	Due Date 12/15/2021 Project Title Glioblastoma	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in Progress
	 View Routing History Route to Next Reviewer Submit 				🕈 Cancel

Figure 263: RPPR Menu screen after RPPR has been initiated, showing the three-dot ellipsis menu with the Edit RPPR action

4. Select **Edit RPPR** from the three-dot ellipsis menu, fill out the RPPR, and Submit it (only SOs can submit). For more details on filling out the RPPR, see *Editing the RPPR Forms* on page 331.

Closeout—Final Invention Statement

Either a principal investigator (PI) or a signing official (SO) can edit a final invention statement, but only an SO can submit it to the agency. Use this procedure to complete a Final Invention Statement that lists inventions that were conceived as part of the research grant.

Reporting Inventions on the Final Invention Statement on page 608

Reporting No Inventions on the Final Invention Statement on page 612

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

NIH Final Invention Statement Policy Guidance

Agency-Specific Instructions: NIH only. The following policy guidance applies to NIH-funded awards only.

You must submit a Final Invention Statement (FIS) within 120 days following the termination of a grant award. The statement should include all inventions that were conceived or first reduced to practice during the course of work under the grant or award, from the original effective date of support through the date of completion or termination.

Policy: For policy information on awards funded by the Department of Health and Human Services, refer to the <u>Procedure for Submission of Final Invention Statement and</u> <u>Certification</u>.

If your award is funded by a non-NIH source, check with your awarding agency for policy guidance on final invention statements.

Reporting Inventions on the Final Invention Statement

To complete a final invention statement when inventions need to be reported:

 Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.

The Closeout Status screen appears.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Applicatio	n Information				Form Approv	ed OMB No. 0925-000
Award Number 5R01HS020202-		PD/PI Name ARBALI <u>,</u> CIAIN	ES		seout Contact Na ELEN, GAGOR	ame
Project Period 08/01/2019 to 0			C loseout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov			
Proposal Title Making health c	are safer	Date Of Statu 07/18/2024	s Change		seout Contact Ph -555-5555	one
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view the have the 'FSR' role ass Commons Account.		Not Started			Manage Final FFR
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the PI of process the Final RPPR		Not Received			Process Final RPPR
Final Invention	For Submission, Final I	nvention Statement • the Signing	Not Received			Process Final

Figure 264: Closeout Status screen example showing the Process Final Invention Statement button

2. Click the **Process Final Invention Statement** button on *Closeout Status*.

PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES Closeout Status Requires Closeout Date Of Status Change	Form Approved OMB No. 092 Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	25-0002
ARBALI, CIAINES Closeout Status Requires Closeout	GRELEN, GAGOR Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	
Closeout Status Requires Closeout	Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	
)ate Of Status Change		
07/18/2024	Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555	
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	Must be Today's date or Before	
	Save with No Inventions Add Invention a	and Save
i	tle of Invention *	tle of Invention * Date Reported to DHHS * Modulabalator 07/30/24 Must be Today's date or Before

The Process Final Invention Statement screen displays.

Figure 265: Process Final Invention Statement screen with no inventions yet added

- 3. To add an invention:
 - a. Type the **Name of Inventor**, **Title of Invention**, and the **Date Reported to DHSS** (the date you want to officially report it to the Department of Health and Human Services).
 - b. Click the Add Invention and Save button.

The *Confirm Invention* popup appears with customized language depending on whether the award is funded by AHRQ or NIH.

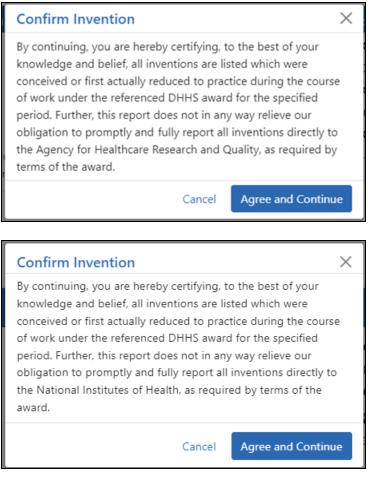


Figure 266: Confirm Invention popup screen attesting that all inventions are listed

c. Click **Agree and Continue** in the popup even if you have more inventions to add.

The invention is now listed under *Added Inventions* at the bottom of the screen. As long as the final invention statement has not yet been submitted, either a PI or SO who views this screen can click an item's **Delete Invention and Save** link in the Action column to remove it.

Name of Inventor	Title of Invention	Date Reported to DHHS	Action
Sally Fields	filmerator	07/30/2024	Delete Invention and Save
Burt Reynolds	Truckerator	07/30/2024	Delete Invention and Save
Burt Reynolds	Truckerator	07/30/2024	面 Delete Invention ar

Figure 267: Added Inventions section of Process Final Invention Statement screen, showing a list of inventions

4. To add additional inventions, repeat the previous step as many times as necessary. Any inventions you define are saved immediately.

NOTE: Click the **Preview (Inventions Reported)** button to download a PDF copy of the final invention statement form filled out with the entered information and grant information.

5. When all the inventions are listed at the bottom of the screen, click the **Submit** button to submit the invention statement to the awarding agency. (Only the SO can submit—the PI does not see a **Submit** button.)

The Confirm Invention popup appears again.

6. Click Agree and Continue again to complete submission.

You are returned to the *Closeout Status* screen and the Final Invention Statement task now indicates the Status of Submitted and shows submission details.

After final invention statement submission, the PDF form that was submitted is available on the *Closeout Status* screen by clicking the **View** button next to the Final Invention Statement task.

Reporting No Inventions on the Final Invention Statement

To complete a final invention statement certifying that no inventions exist:

 Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.

The Closeout Status screen appears.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Applicatio	n Information				Fo	orm Approved C	OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Number 5R01HS020202-		PD/PI Name ARBALI <u>,</u> CIAIN	ES		Closeout GRELEN, G	Contact Name GAGOR	
Project Period 08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024 Proposal Title Making health care safer			Closeout Status Requires Closeout		Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov		
		Date Of Statu 07/18/2024	s Change		Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555		
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	5	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view the FFR, you must have the 'FSR' role associated with your Commons Account.		Not Started				Manage Final FFR
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the PI process the Final RPPF		Not Received				Process Final RPPR
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Final requires verification b		Not Received				Process Final Invention

Figure 268: Closeout Status screen example showing the Process Final Invention Statement button

2. Click the **Process Final Invention Statement** button on *Closeout Status* screen.

The Process Final Invention Statement screen displays.

Process Final Inventio	n Statement 😮		
Application Information	1	Form Approved OMB 1	No. 0925-0002
Award Number 5R01HS020202-03 Project Period 08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024	PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES Closeout Status Requires Closeout	Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	
Proposal Title Making health care safer	Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024	Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555	
Add New Inventions			
Name of Inventor *	Title of Invention *	Date Reported to DHHS *	
ARBALI, CIAINES	Modulabalator	07/30/24	ſ
		Must be Today's date or Before	
		Save with No Inventions Add Inve	ntion and Save
		Return to C	Closeout Statu

Figure 269: Process Final Invention Statement screen with Save with No Inventions button outlined

3. Click the Save with No Inventions button.

A success message appears on the top right side of the eRA screen heading. You will also notice that the Preview button is now named **Preview (No Inventions Reported)**.



Figure 270: Success message in eRA Commons banner noting the FIS (final invention statement) was created with no inventions reported

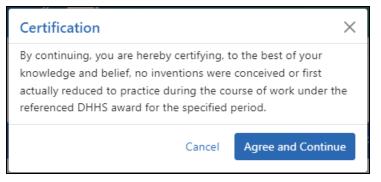
Add New Inventions * Required Fields				
Name of Inventor *	Title of Invention *	Date	e Reported to D	HHS *
		m	m/dd/yyyy	i
		Must	t be Today's date o	r Before
		Save with N	lo Inventions	Add Invention and Save
	Return to Closeout	Status Previe	ew (No Inventior	s Reported) Submit

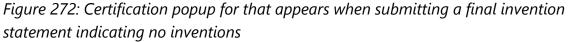
Figure 271: Final Inventions Statement with no inventions, showing the name of Preview button changed to "Preview (No Inventions Reported)

NOTE: Click the **Preview (No Inventions Reported)** button to download a PDF copy of the final invention statement form filled out with the entered information and grant information.

4. Once you confirm that the Preview button is now renamed to indicate "No Inventions Reported", click the Submit button to submit a statement indicating no inventions are being reported. (Only the SO sees a Submit button and has the ability to submit.)

A certification popup appears.





5. Click Agree and Continue in the Certification popup.

You are returned to the *Closeout Status* screen and the Final Invention Statement task now indicates the Status of Submitted and shows submission details.

After final invention statement submission, the PDF form that was submitted is available on the *Closeout Status* screen by clicking the **View** button next to the Final Invention Statement task.

Closeout—Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials* (FRAM) link provides a means for awardees to enter, review, route, and submit information in response to specific request

(s) by the program official (PO) for additional information related to the Final RPPR.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

While reviewing a submitted Final RPPR, the PO might determine that additional materials related to the submitted report are required. In this case, the PO submits a request for this information referred to as a FRAM request. When a FRAM request is made, the PI is notified via email with a description of the requested material and a FRAM task appears on the *Closeout Status* screen.

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA: For awards funded by NIH, FDA, and VA, a FRAM request is also used to ask for a *Revised Project Outcome* from the awardee. SAMHSA awards do not use FRAM to ask for *Revised Project Outcome*, although the *Revised Project Outcome* section appears on SAMHSA FRAM screen. SAMHSA awardees should ignore all references to *Revised Project Outcomes* in the following topic, as that section of the FRAM screen is not applicable to SAMHSA.

TIP: You can view the original request for information from the *Status Information* screen. The **Closeout Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) Request** link located in **Other Relevant Documents** section of *Status Information* shows the original request.

Initiating Final Progress Report Additional Materials or Revised Project Outcomes (FRAM)

Either the PI or SO can initiate the FRAM and attach a file or type/paste a Revised Project Outcomes, but only an SO can submit.

- 1. Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. If a PO has requested additional material related to the Final RPPR, the Closeout

Submission Requirement column on Closeout Status screen lists "FRAM" as a task and the **FRAM Update** button appears in the Action column.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

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Project Period 04/01/2013 to 0	09/30/2022 Requires Clos Date Of Statu				eout Contact Email lest@mail.nih.gov eout Contact Phone 555-7789		
Proposal Title Marmoset Nutr							
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action	
FFR	To submit and view have the 'FSR' role a your Commons Acc	ssociated with	Accepted	Accepted by STEPH DEAAN (FSR)	01/30/2023		
inal RPPR	Only the SO or the P may process the Fina		Final RPPR Received	Submitted by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023 03/29/2024	View	
FRAM			Not Received			FRAM Update	
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Fina Statement requires Signing Official of th	verification by the	Received	Verified by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023	View	

Figure 273: A sample Closeout Status screen showing the FRAM task and FRAM Update button. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

3. Click the FRAM Update link.

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)* screen appears. The top of the page contains certification language that should be read prior to submitting materials. It also contains *Notes and Tips* with policy guidance of what should be submitted using this screen.

Home

In submitting these Final Progress Report additional materials, the SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority), certifies that the grantee organization is in compliance with the terms and conditions specified in the Notice of Award and Grants Policy Statement, and verifies the accuracy and validity of all administrative, fiscal, and scientific information in the progress report. The SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority) further certifies that the grantee organization will be accountable for the appropriate use of any funds awarded and for the performance of the grant-supported project or activities resulting from the progress report. Deliberate withholding, falsification, or misrepresentation of information could result in administrative actions such as withdrawal of a progress report, suspension and/or termination of an award, debarment of individuals, as well as possible criminal penalties. The grantee institution may be liable for the reimbursement of funds associated with any inappropriate or fraudulent conduct of the project activity.

Notes and Tips

Please add revised outcomes to the Project Outcomes section of the Final and Interim Research Performance Progress Reports (F-RPPR and I-RPPR) using the plain language that everyone can understand.

As you are aware, with NIH's implementation of the F-RPPR and I-RPPR, a new section, Section I- Outcomes, has been added. The Outcomes section will be made publicly available through the NIH RePORTER website. The objective is to provide the public with easily understood results for NIH-funded biomedical research, thus improving the transparency about the use of federal funds. NIH will only publish project outcomes after they've been reviewed and approved by NIH staff. If a project outcome is deemed to be too scientific in its language, shares proprietary information, or includes Personally Identifiable Information (PII), a grantee will be asked by NIH staff to submit revised project outcomes using the Request for Additional Materials functionality for the Final and Interim RPPR (i.e., Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) for Final RPPR, IRAM for Interim RPPR). Grantees will respond to these requests using an enhanced web form that supports NIH's ability to make this information public. Submitting a revised outcomes statement is accomplished by using only the Project Outcomes section on the request for an additional materials web form. This text box is NOT for general comments or communication. And revised outcome statements will not be accepted if they are uploaded as an attachment. That functionality is reserved for other types of requested information.

Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM) 😯

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RAM oad Additional Materials:	:	
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FRAM_File.pdf	🚺 🛃	
Uploaded By: Tidmmi, Tawelli	File Uploaded Date: 05/07/2024	
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Figure 274: The FRAM screen contains two distinct sections where material can be submitted, a section for uploading files, and a section for providing a revised outcome

There are two distinct sections to the FRAM screen: the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section, and the *Revised Outcome* section. Use the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section to upload one or more files, if files have been requested by the PO. Use the *Revised Outcome* section to type or paste revised text for the RPPR section titled "I. Outcomes". Policy guidance appears under this section to describe what type of description is needed, and it contains a link you can click to see samples of acceptable project outcomes.

To upload one or more files in the FRAM Upload Additional Materials section:

- Drag and drop file(s) in the "Drop Files Here..." area, or click the browse link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **U** to remove the file.
- 2. If you change your mind about this FRAM submission, and you want to discard it, click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen. This does not delete prior submissions.

To provide a Revised Outcome:

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA. The *Revised Project Outcome* section is not applicable for awards funded by SAMHSA.

See NIH notices **NOT-OD-17-022** and **NOT-OD-17-037** for additional policy guidance on revised outcomes.

1. Read the policy guidance in the *Revised Outcome* section prior to submitting a revised outcome.

2. Type or paste the revised outcome description into the text box provided. Tool icons at the top of the text box provide basic editing tools, such as bold, italic, bullets, numbering, and indenting.

To see what the FRAM submission includes:

- 1. First click the **Save** button at bottom of the screen.
- 2. Click the **Preview** button at the bottom of the screen.

A PDF is downloaded by the browser.

3. Use the browser or another file to open the PDF, which contains a summary of files uploaded, person who uploaded, any revised outcome that was saved, and the contents of any files that were uploaded.

To save the FRAM submission package but not submit it:

Click the **Save** button.

To submit the FRAM package to the awarding agency for their review:

- First read the certification language that appears at the top of the screen. This is what the submitter is agreeing to upon submission of the materials to the awarding agency. Only SOs or those with delegated authority to submit reports can see the **Submit** button.
- 2. To finalize this FRAM submission package and submit it for agency review, click the **Submit** button (SO only).

After you submit the FRAM, a **View** action appears on *Closeout Status*, which you can click to view a PDF document containing all documents and submission details for the FRAM request. You can also view the FRAM submission on the *Status Information* screen under **Other Relevant Documents**. The **FRAM Update** action remains until acceptance of the Final RPPR, enabling you to upload more files; however, you cannot make changes to files already submitted.

Additionally, an email notification is sent to both the SO who submitted the FRAM and to the PI of the grant. A separate notification is sent to the PO of the grant.

NOTE: The PO may rescind the approval of the Final RPPR or Final Progress Report (FPR) submission at any time. If this occurs, the **FRAM Update** action appears for submitting FRAM.

Closeout—Additional Materials (CDC)

CDC awardees will see the Additional Materials closeout task to submit any other required documents as stated in Terms and Conditions of the award.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Centers for Disease Control. This topic applies only to CDC awards. Only CDC awards have this type of closeout requirement.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

To prepare and submit additional materials:

- 1. Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the Additional Material(s) button on Closeout Status.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Applicatio	n Information			Fo	rm Approved ON	1B No. 0925-0002
Award Numbe 5R01CE030303-	•	PD/PI Nam Hanie, Mae	e Riena (cont		seout Contact Na	ame
Project Period 09/30/2019 to 0	09/29/2022 Requires Clo		oseout atus Change Close		seout Contact En	nail
Proposal Title Opioid Use in Pa					seout Contact Ph	ione
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the Pl may process the Fina		Not Received			Process Final RPPR
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Final Statement requires ve the Signing Official o Institution.	erification by	Not Received			Process Final Invention Statement
Additional Material(s)	The SO should use th submit any other req closeout documents the terms including th Personal Property Rep	uired as stated in he Tangible	Additional Material(s) Uploaded	Additional Material Uploaded by Nancy Kerner (SO)		Additional Material(s)

Figure 275: Closeout Status screen showing Additional Material(s) button, outlined

The Additional Materials (RAM) screen appears, shown below:

Award Details		
ward Number R01CE030303-03	PD/PI Name Hanie , Mariena	Project Period 09/30/2019 - 09/29/2022
)rg Name OHKINS UNIVERSITY		
Project Title Opioid Use in Pain Manage OSEOUT Additio load Additional Materials	onal Materials	browse.
Opioid Use in Pain Manage OSEOUT Additic load Additional Materials	onal Materials	
Opioid Use in Pain Manage OSEOUT Additic load Additional Materials	onal Materials : Drop files here to upload, or ypes: PDF Max File Size: 6M	

Figure 276: Additional Materials screen, as seen by an SO after uploading a file. A PI does not see the **Submit** button unless the PI is delegated progress report privileges.

- 3. Drag and drop file(s) in the "**Drop Files Here...**" area, or click the **browse** link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **b** to remove the file.
- 4. If you change your mind about this submission, and you want to discard it completely, click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen. The **Preview** button

shows the entire submission, which consists of a PDF with application Information, data about who uploaded the file and when, followed by the uploaded file's contents.

- 5. To save the file with the additional material files, but not submit to the agency, click the **Save** button. This will update the status of the Additional Materials to uploaded.
- 6. To finalize this additional material submission and submit it for agency review, click the **Submit** button (SO only).

Buttons Available After Submitting Additional Materials

Buttons appear after the Additional Materials is first submitted:

- After the Additional Materials is submitted, but not yet accepted by the agency, the Additional Material(s) button remains available on Closeout Status. As long as the submission is not yet accepted, you can continue to upload and submit the Additional materials as many times as needed. Each submission replaces the prior submission.
- After the Additional Materials is submitted, a View button becomes available on Closeout Status. Click it to see the entire submission, which consists of a pdf with application Information, data about who uploaded the file and when, followed by the uploaded file's contents.

Closeout Status for DOC Awards

Department of Commerce (DOC) awards have the following type of actions/reports due in closeout:

- Federal Financial Report (FFR)
- Research report:

Final Progress Report (FPR). A final report for non-research awards.

- OR -

<u>Final Research Performance Progress Report (Final RPPR)</u>. A final report for research awards.

Additional Closeout Documentation

DOC awardees submit either a **Final RPPR** or a **FPR**, depending on whether the award is a research award or not.

See for more information specific to DOC Closeout.

Closeout—Federal Financial Report (FFR)

The Federal Financial Report (FFR) is required for closeout. The FFR report should be prepared according instructions provided by the awarding agency. Commons users with the FSR role can see the **Manage Final FFR** action on the Closeout Status screen.

Click the **Manage Final FFR** action to be redirected to the FFR module, from which you can complete the FFR. If you see a **View** action for the FFR requirement, the FFR has already been submitted and you can use the **View** action to see the submitted data.

For awards funded by most agencies, the FFR can be initiated from eRA Commons FFR module or from the *Closeout Status* screen, but users are then redirected to the federal Payment Management System (PMS) to fill out and submit the report. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Long Form (Non-DOC Awards)* on page 223. Users need appropriate access to the Payment Management System; see <u>the PMS Help Desk page</u> if you have trouble accessing PMS.

Agency-Specific Instructions: For awards funded by Department of Commerce (DOC), users initiate and fill out the FFR form within eRA Commons. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Module (DOC)*.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

Closeout—Final Research Performance Progress Report for NON-NIH Awards

Consult with the awarding agency for policy guidance on Final Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs).

- The H. Budget form is not applicable for Final RPPRs.
- The I. Outcomes form is applicable only for Final RPPRs.
- The F. Changes form is not applicable for Final RPPRs.

Submit Your Final RPPR

- Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the Process Final RPPR button in Closeout Status.

Closeout S	tatus 😮						
Application	n Information				Form	Approved	OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Number:		PD/PI Name:			Closeou	t Contact	Name:
NA18SEC0101016-T1-01 ·FRABRE, MIDON		I (CONTACT)	BRELYSE, MIDON				
Project Period: Closeout Status				Closeout Contact Email:		Email:	
10/01/2018 to 09/30/2023 Requires Closeou		ut		eRATest@mail.nih.gov		jov	
Proposal Title: Date Of Status		Change:		Closeout Contact Phone:		Phone:	
Climate resilience	2	10/29/2023					
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Acti	ons	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view must have the 'FSR' with your Common	role associated	Not Started				
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the may process the Fir		Not Received				Process Final RPPR
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Fin Statement requires the Signing Official	verification by	Not Received				Process Final Invention Statement

Figure 277: Closeout Status sceen showing the Process Final RPPR button, outlined

The *RPPR Menu* screen appears.

If the Final RPPR has already been initiated, then no **Initiate** button appears and you should skip the next step.

3. If an **Initiate** button appears on this screen, click the **Initiate** button to start the Final RPPR.

RPPR				
Award Number	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI)	Due Date	Current Reviewer	Status
5R01CA200000-05	BROWN, JAN	12/15/2021		Not Started
Institution		Project Title		
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFO	DRNIA	Glioblastoma		

Figure 278: RPPR Menu screen, showing the Initiate button outlined

After the Final RPPR has been initiated, you see a three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Award Number, where you can access RPPR actions.

RPPR Mer	าน 😢			
RPPR				
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05 Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	Program Director(PD)/Principal BROWN, JAN C Edit RPPR Check for Errors C View RPPR as PDF	Investigator(PI) Due Date 12/15/2021 Project Title Glioblastoma	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in Progress
	 View Routing History Route to Next Reviewer Submit 			← Cancel

Figure 279: RPPR Menu screen after RPPR has been initiated, showing the three-dot ellipsis menu with the Edit RPPR action

4. Select **Edit RPPR** from the three-dot ellipsis menu, fill out the RPPR, and Submit it (only SOs can submit). For more details on filling out the RPPR, see *Editing the*

RPPR Forms on page 331.

Closeout—Final Progress Report (FPR)

Some agencies (SAMHSA, DOC) have a type of report called a Final Progress Report (FPR). Final Progress Reports are for non-research awards.

NOTE: The *Final Progress Report (FPR)* should not be confused with the *Final Research Performance Progress Report (FRPPR)*, which is a different reporting mechanism, designed for research awards. If you need to submit an RPPR, or if you see actions on your award listed as **RPPR** or **Process Final RPPR**, then see *Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Module* on page 315 instead of this topic.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

If your closeout requires a Final Progress Report, then both the PI and the SO see an **Initiate Final Progress Report** button on the *Closeout Status* screen for an award. Either the PI or the SO can click the button and add a file or files, and both can then click **Save** to save the document in the eRA system. In addition, the SO can click **Submit** to submit the document to the agency.

This report should be prepared in accordance with instructions provided by the awarding agency.

Initiating Final Progress Report (FPR)

Either the PI or SO can initiate the Final Progress Report and save a file attached to the FPR request, but only an SO can submit.

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the Initiate Final Progress Report button in Closeout Status.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Application Ir	nformation				Form Appr	oved OMB No. 0925-000
Award Number:		PD/PI Name			Closeout Conta	act Name:
NA18SEC0101016-T	1-01	FRABRE, MII	DON (CONTACT)	BRELYSE, MIDO	N
Project Period: Closeout Sta		Status: Close		Closeout Conta	act Email:	
10/01/2018 to 09/30/2023 Requires Clo		seout		eRATest@mail.r	nih.gov	
Proposal Title: Date Of Stat		tus Change:		Closeout Conta	act Phone:	
Climate resilience 10/29/2023						
Submission Requirement FFR	Instruction To submit and view the FFR. you m the 'FSR' role associated with your Account.		Status Not Started	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FPR	The SO should use this section to s other required closeout FPR docun stated in the terms including the F Progress Report.	ments as				Initiate Final Progress Report
Additional Closeout Documentation	The SO should use this section to s other required closeout document in the terms.	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Not Applicable	Please click on the link un action column to view th status of each document type.	e	Provide Documentation

Figure 280: Closeout Status screen showing Initiate Final Progress Report button outlined

The Final Progress Report (FPR) screen appears.

Final Progress Re	port (FPR) 😯	
Award Details		
Award Number NA21NMF0808089-T1-01	PD/PI Name FRABRE, MIDON	Project Period 01/01/2022 - 12/31/2023
Org Name STATE UNIV A&M COL Project Title Coastal Change		
	Drop files here to upload,	or <u>browse.</u> , PDF, TXT Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
Please provide comments:		
		Characters: 0/2000
		Cancel The Cancel Cance

Figure 281: Closeout - Final Progress Report upload screen

- 3. Drag and drop file(s) in the "**Drop Files Here...**" area, or click the **browse** link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **I** to remove the file.
- 4. If you change your mind about this FPR submission, and you want to discard it, click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen.
- 5. To save this FPR submission package but not submit to the agency, click the **Save** button.

6. To finalize this FPR submission package and submit it for agency review, click the **Submit** button (SO only).

Viewing Prior Submissions or Resubmitting the Final Progress Report After Initial Submission

Once the SO submits the FPR, users can continue to initiate and submit new iterations of the FPR. Either a PI or SO can click the **Initiate Final Progress Report** button again and upload additional files. The FPR files that you upload after previous submissions are appended to the previous submissions. Prior submitted files cannot be removed by initiating a new iteration of the FPR.

To view what has been submitted so far, click the **View Prior Submission** button, which downloads a file using browser download settings.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). For DOC awards, you download a ZIP file because multiple file types are allowed to be uploaded--the ZIP contains all files. Additionally, a SUBMISSION SUMMARY lists all the submitted files and details such as time, submitter, and file name.

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA. For SAMHSA awards, only PDFs are allowed to be uploaded, so only a PDF will be downloaded upon viewing the prior submission.

Application Inf	ormation				Form Appro	oved OMB No. 0925-000
Award Number:		PD/PI Name:		Closeout	Contact Name:	
NA18SEC0101016-T1-)1	FRAKER, MICHAE	L (CONTACT)	BRELYSE, M	AIDON	
Project Period:		Closeout Status		Closeout	Contact Email:	
10/01/2018 to 09/30/2	023	Requires Closeou	t	eRATest@i	mail.nih.gov	
Proposal Title:	Date Of Status C		Change:	Closeout	Contact Phone:	
Climate resilience	10/29/2023					
Closeout Submission Requirement FFR	Instruction To submit and view the FFR,	you must have the	Status Not Started	Result of Actions	Date	Action
	'FSR' role associated with yo Account.	·	Not Stated			
FPR	The SO should use this sect other required closeout FPR stated in the terms including	documents as	FPR Submitted	FPR Submitted by Car Atmen(SO)	02/06/2024	Initiate Final Progress Report View Prior Submission
	Report.					

Figure 282: Closeout Status screen showing View Prior Submission button, which appears after a file has already been submitted to the awarding agency

Editing Final Progress Report (Prior to Submission)

If you or another user initiated the FPR at a prior date, and uploaded a file and saved the report, then the file is saved in the eRA system, but is not yet submitted for agency review. If an FPR is saved, the next user to go to closeout for the award sees an **Edit** button for the FPR on the *Closeout Status* screen. A PI or SO can click **Edit** and add additional files, remove files, and save again. If the user is an SO, the SO can also submit to the agency by clicking the **Submit** button.

Follow the same instructions in *Initiating Final Progress Report (FPR)* on page 628 above to add or remove files.

Closeout Sta	tus 😮						
Application In	nformation				Form Approve	d OMB No. 0925-0002	
Award Number: NA18SEC0101016-T1		/PI Name : AKER, MICI	: HAEL (CONTACT		Closeout Contact N BRELYSE, MIDON	lame:	
Project Period:	Clo	seout Sta	tus:	(Closeout Contact Email: eRATest@mail.nih.gov		
10/01/2018 to 09/30/	/2023 Req	quires Clos	eout	e			
Proposal Title: Da		Date Of Status Change:			Closeout Contact Phone:		
Climate resilience	10/	29/2023					
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action	
FFR	To submit and view the FFR, you must the 'FSR' role associated with your C Account.		Not Started				
FPR	The SO should use this section to su other required closeout FPR docume stated in the terms including the Fin Progress Report.	ents as	FPR Initiated	FPR Initiated by Car Atmen(SO)	02/05/2024	Edit	
Additional Closeout Documentation	The SO should use this section to su other required closeout documents a in the terms.		Not Applicable	Please click on the link und action column to view the status of each document type.	ler	Provide Documentation	

Figure 283: Closeout Status screen showing Edit button for FPR and Provide Documentation button for Additional Closeout Documentation

Upon review of the Final Progress Report, the Program Officer (PO) may determine that additional information is needed from the grantee institution.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. For DOC awards, the agency staff returns the final progress report to the recipient for changes.

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA. For SAMHSA awards, agency staff makes a request for this information. This is referred to as a Final Progress Report Additional Material (FRAM) request. In this event, a **FRAM Update** link will appear in the **Action** column providing a means for submitting the additional material. Refer to the topic titled *Closeout—Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)* on page 681 for information and the steps for completing this request.

Closeout—Additional Closeout Documentation

DOC awardees might see the Additional Closeout Documentation closeout task to submit any other required documents as stated in Terms and Conditions of the award.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

To prepare and submit additional documentation:

- 1. Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the Provide Documentation button in Closeout Status.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Closeout St	tatus 😮							
Application	Information			F	orm Approve	ed OMB No. 0925-0002		
Award Number:		PD/PI Name:		Closeou	t Contact Na	ame:		
NA20OAR0101018A-T1-01		LEMONG, MAR (CONTACT)	RORN	CUEEN, M	CUEEN, NIЮLE			
09/01/2020 to 08/31/2023 R		Closeout State	Closeout Status:			Closeout Contact Email:		
		Requires Close	Requires Closeout		eRATest@mail.nih.gov			
		Date Of Statu	Date Of Status Change:			Closeout Contact Phone:		
Sciences and Ass	essments	08/31/2023						
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action		
Additional Closeout Documentation	The SO should use th any other required cl as stated in the terms	oseout documents	Not Applicable	Please click on the link under action column to view the status of each document type.		Provide Documentation		

Figure 284: The Closeout Status screen showing the Provide Documentation action

A popup appears, which lists additional documentation that is required.

- A hollow blue hand pointing left means the document has not yet been submitted.
- A green circle with a white checkmark means a document has been submitted by your organization.
- A solid green hand with a thumbs up means a document has been accepted by the agency.
- A solid red triangle with a white exclamation point means a document has been returned by the agency.

Select Which Additional Closeout Documentation	\times
Migrated Final FFR (SF-425 Full)	Ċ
Migrated Final RPPR	
Migrated Final Invention Statement	\bigcirc
	Close

Figure 285: Select Which Additional Closeout Documentation popup, where a hollow blue hand means the document is not yet submitted, a solid green thumbs up hand means the document has been accepted by the agency, a green circle with checkmark means the document has been submitted but not yet accepted, and a red triangle with an exclamation point means the document has been returned.

3. Click on any row to upload a document.

If you click on a row where a document has already been submitted, you can still submit an additional document and it is added to prior submissions.

The *Additional Closeout Documentation* screen appears. A description of the file that is to be uploaded appears above the upload area and is outlined below.

Additional Closeo	ut Documentation	0
Award Details		
Award Number NA21NOS4010101-T1-01 Project Period 09/01/2021 - 08/31/2023 Project Title Planning for confined marshes	PD/PI Name Quarsh, tirk Budget Period 09/01/2021 - 08/31/2023	Org Name STATE UNIV A&M COL
Please provide documents: Accepted File Types: GIF, JPG,	Drop files here to upload, or	browse. DF, TXT Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
Please provide comments:		
		Characters: 0/2000

Figure 286: Upload screen for Additional Closeout Documentation task in Closeout

- 4. Drag and drop file(s) in the "**Drop Files Here...**" area, or click the **browse** link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon to remove the file.
- 5. Click **Save** to save the uploaded submission package but not submit it to the agency.
- 6. Click **Submit** to submit the submission package to the agency. (SO only. Pls do not see the **Submit** button.)

After saving a document, you or another user can go and remove the file or add more files to the unsubmitted document submission package. After submitting a document, you or another user can initiate a new document submission, which appends new submissions to the prior submissions.

Closeout for FDA Awards

Food and Drug Administration (FDA) awards have the following type of actions/reports due in closeout:

- Federal Financial Report (FFR)
- <u>Final Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR)</u>. A final report for research awards.
- Final Invention Statement
- <u>Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)</u>. This is only required if the agency asks for updates to the submitted progress report.

Closeout—Federal Financial Report (FFR)

The Federal Financial Report (FFR) is required for closeout. The FFR report should be prepared according instructions provided by the awarding agency. Commons users with the FSR role can see the **Manage Final FFR** action on the Closeout Status screen.

Click the **Manage Final FFR** action to be redirected to the FFR module, from which you can complete the FFR. If you see a **View** action for the FFR requirement, the FFR has already been submitted and you can use the **View** action to see the submitted data.

For awards funded by most agencies, the FFR can be initiated from eRA Commons FFR module or from the *Closeout Status* screen, but users are then redirected to the federal Payment Management System (PMS) to fill out and submit the report. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Long Form (Non-DOC Awards)* on page 223. Users need appropriate access to the Payment Management System; see <u>the PMS Help Desk page</u> if you have trouble accessing PMS.

Agency-Specific Instructions: For awards funded by Department of Commerce (DOC), users initiate and fill out the FFR form within eRA Commons. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Module (DOC)*.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

Closeout—Final Research Performance Progress Report for NON-NIH Awards

Consult with the awarding agency for policy guidance on Final Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs).

- The H. Budget form is not applicable for Final RPPRs.
- The I. Outcomes form is applicable only for Final RPPRs.
- The F. Changes form is not applicable for Final RPPRs.

Submit Your Final RPPR

- Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the **Process Final RPPR** button in Closeout Status.

Applicatio	n Information	ı		I	Form Approved	OMB No. 0925-0002	
Award Numbe		PD/PI Name:		Clo	seout Contact	Name:	
NA18SEC01010	16-T1-01	FRABRE, MIDON	(CONTACT)	BRE	LYSE, MIDON		
Project Period:		Closeout Status		Closeout Contact		Email:	
		Requires Closeo	Requires Closeout Date Of Status Change:		eRATest@mail.nih.gov		
		Date Of Status			Closeout Contact Phone:		
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Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action	
FFR	To submit and vie	w the FFR, you	Not				
	must have the 'FS with your Commo	R' role associated ons Account.	Started				
Final RPPR		ons Account. e PI of the Award	Not Received			Process Final RPPR	

Figure 287: Closeout Status sceen showing the Process Final RPPR button, outlined

The RPPR Menu screen appears.

If the Final RPPR has already been initiated, then no **Initiate** button appears and you should skip the next step.

3. If an **Initiate** button appears on this screen, click the **Initiate** button to start the Final RPPR.

Award Number	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI)	Due Date	Current Reviewer	Status
5R01CA200000-05	BROWN, JAN	12/15/2021		Not Started
Institution		Project Title		
UNIVERSITY OF CALIF	ORNIA	Glioblastoma		

Figure 288: RPPR Menu screen, showing the Initiate button outlined

After the Final RPPR has been initiated, you see a three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Award Number, where you can access RPPR actions.

RPPR Mer	าน 😢				
RPPR					
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05 Institution UNIVERSITY OF CA	Program Director(PD)/Prin BROWN, JAN C Edit RPPR Check for Errors D View RPPR as PDF	1	Due Date 12/15/2021 Project Title Glioblastoma	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in Progress
	 View Routing History Route to Next Reviewer Submit 				in Cancel

Figure 289: RPPR Menu screen after RPPR has been initiated, showing the three-dot ellipsis menu with the Edit RPPR action

4. Select **Edit RPPR** from the three-dot ellipsis menu, fill out the RPPR, and Submit it (only SOs can submit). For more details on filling out the RPPR, see *Editing the RPPR Forms* on page 331.

Closeout—Final Invention Statement

Either a principal investigator (PI) or a signing official (SO) can edit a final invention statement, but only an SO can submit it to the agency. Use this procedure to complete a Final Invention Statement that lists inventions that were conceived as part of the research grant.

Reporting Inventions on the Final Invention Statement on page 641

Reporting No Inventions on the Final Invention Statement on page 645

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

NIH Final Invention Statement Policy Guidance

Agency-Specific Instructions: NIH only. The following policy guidance applies to NIH-funded awards only.

You must submit a Final Invention Statement (FIS) within 120 days following the termination of a grant award. The statement should include all inventions that were conceived or first reduced to practice during the course of work under the grant or award, from the original effective date of support through the date of completion or termination.

Policy: For policy information on awards funded by the Department of Health and Human Services, refer to the <u>Procedure for Submission of Final Invention Statement and</u> <u>Certification</u>.

If your award is funded by a non-NIH source, check with your awarding agency for policy guidance on final invention statements.

Reporting Inventions on the Final Invention Statement

To complete a final invention statement when inventions need to be reported:

 Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.

The Closeout Status screen appears.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Applicatio	n Information				Form Approv	ed OMB No. 0925-000	
Award Number 5R01HS020202-		PD/PI Name ARBALI <u>,</u> CIAIN	ES		seout Contact Na ELEN, GAGOR	ame	
08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024 Requires Cl Proposal Title Date Of St		Closeout Stat Requires Close			Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov		
		Date Of Statu 07/18/2024	Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024		Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555		
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action	
FFR	To submit and view the have the 'FSR' role ass Commons Account.		Not Started			Manage Final FFR	
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the PI of process the Final RPPR		Not Received			Process Final RPPR	
Final Invention	For Submission, Final I	nvention Statement • the Signing	Not Received			Process Final	

Figure 290: Closeout Status screen example showing the Process Final Invention Statement button

2. Click the **Process Final Invention Statement** button on *Closeout Status*.

PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES Closeout Status Requires Closeout Date Of Status Change	Form Approved OMB No. 092 Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	25-0002
ARBALI, CIAINES Closeout Status Requires Closeout	GRELEN, GAGOR Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	
Closeout Status Requires Closeout	Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	
)ate Of Status Change		
07/18/2024	Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555	
itle of Invention *	Date Reported to DHHS *	
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	Must be Today's date or Before	
	Save with No Inventions Add Invention a	and Save
i	tle of Invention *	tle of Invention * Date Reported to DHHS * Modulabalator 07/30/24 Must be Today's date or Before

The Process Final Invention Statement screen displays.

Figure 291: Process Final Invention Statement screen with no inventions yet added

- 3. To add an invention:
 - a. Type the **Name of Inventor**, **Title of Invention**, and the **Date Reported to DHSS** (the date you want to officially report it to the Department of Health and Human Services).
 - b. Click the Add Invention and Save button.

The *Confirm Invention* popup appears with customized language depending on whether the award is funded by AHRQ or NIH.

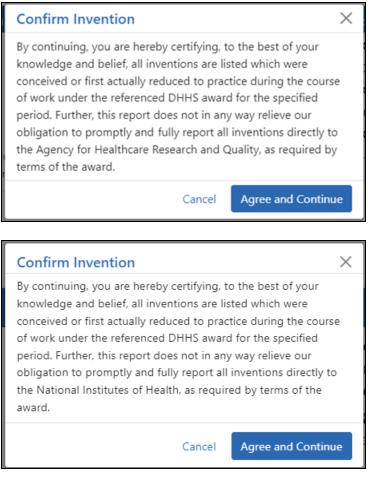


Figure 292: Confirm Invention popup screen attesting that all inventions are listed

c. Click **Agree and Continue** in the popup even if you have more inventions to add.

The invention is now listed under *Added Inventions* at the bottom of the screen. As long as the final invention statement has not yet been submitted, either a PI or SO who views this screen can click an item's **Delete Invention and Save** link in the Action column to remove it.

Name of Inventor	Title of Invention	Date Reported to DHHS	Action
Sally Fields	filmerator	07/30/2024	Delete Invention and Save
Burt Reynolds	Truckerator	07/30/2024	Delete Invention and Save
Burt Reynolds	Truckerator	07/30/2024	面 Delete Invention ar

Figure 293: Added Inventions section of Process Final Invention Statement screen, showing a list of inventions

4. To add additional inventions, repeat the previous step as many times as necessary. Any inventions you define are saved immediately.

NOTE: Click the **Preview (Inventions Reported)** button to download a PDF copy of the final invention statement form filled out with the entered information and grant information.

5. When all the inventions are listed at the bottom of the screen, click the **Submit** button to submit the invention statement to the awarding agency. (Only the SO can submit—the PI does not see a **Submit** button.)

The Confirm Invention popup appears again.

6. Click Agree and Continue again to complete submission.

You are returned to the *Closeout Status* screen and the Final Invention Statement task now indicates the Status of Submitted and shows submission details.

After final invention statement submission, the PDF form that was submitted is available on the *Closeout Status* screen by clicking the **View** button next to the Final Invention Statement task.

Reporting No Inventions on the Final Invention Statement

To complete a final invention statement certifying that no inventions exist:

 Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.

The Closeout Status screen appears.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Applicatio	n Information				Form Ap	proved OMB No. 0925	5-0002	
Award Number 5R01HS020202-		PD/PI Name ARBALI <u>,</u> CIAIN	ES		Closeout Contac GRELEN, GAGOR			
08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024 Proposal Title			Closeout Status Requires Closeout			Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov		
		Date Of Statu 07/18/2024	Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024		Closeout Contac 301-555-5555	ct Phone		
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action		
FFR	To submit and view the have the 'FSR' role asso Commons Account.		Not Started	Result of Actions	Dutt	Manage Fina	I FFR	
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the PI o process the Final RPPR		Not Received			Process Final	I RPPR	
Final Invention	For Submission, Final I	nvention Statement	Not			Process F	inal	

Figure 294: Closeout Status screen example showing the Process Final Invention Statement button

2. Click the **Process Final Invention Statement** button on *Closeout Status* screen.

The Process Final Invention Statement screen displays.

Process Final Inventio	n Statement 😮		
Application Information	h	Form Approved OMB	No. 0925-0002
Award Number 5R01HS020202-03	PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES	Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR	
Project Period 08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024	Closeout Status Requires Closeout	Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	
Proposal Title Making health care safer	Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024	Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555	
Add New Inventions *Required Fields			
Name of Inventor *	Title of Invention *	Date Reported to DHHS *	
ARBALI, CIAINES	Modulabalator	07/30/24	ſ
		Must be Today's date or Before	
		Save with No Inventions Add Inve	ention and Sav
		Return to	Closeout Statu

Figure 295: Process Final Invention Statement screen with Save with No Inventions button outlined

3. Click the Save with No Inventions button.

A success message appears on the top right side of the eRA screen heading. You will also notice that the Preview button is now named **Preview (No Inventions Reported)**.



Figure 296: Success message in eRA Commons banner noting the FIS (final invention statement) was created with no inventions reported

Add New Inventions * Required Fields					
Name of Inventor *	or * Title of Invention *		Date Reported to DHHS *		
		m	m/dd/yyyy	i	
		Must	Must be Today's date or Before		
		Save with N	lo Inventions	Add Invention and Save	
	Return to Closeout	Status	ew (No Inventior	s Reported) Submit	

Figure 297: Final Inventions Statement with no inventions, showing the name of Preview button changed to "Preview (No Inventions Reported)

NOTE: Click the **Preview (No Inventions Reported)** button to download a PDF copy of the final invention statement form filled out with the entered information and grant information.

4. Once you confirm that the Preview button is now renamed to indicate "No Inventions Reported", click the Submit button to submit a statement indicating no inventions are being reported. (Only the SO sees a Submit button and has the ability to submit.)

A certification popup appears.

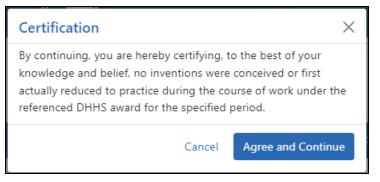


Figure 298: Certification popup for that appears when submitting a final invention statement indicating no inventions

5. Click Agree and Continue in the Certification popup.

You are returned to the *Closeout Status* screen and the Final Invention Statement task now indicates the Status of Submitted and shows submission details.

After final invention statement submission, the PDF form that was submitted is available on the *Closeout Status* screen by clicking the **View** button next to the Final Invention Statement task.

Closeout—Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials* (FRAM) link provides a means for awardees to enter, review, route, and submit information in response to specific request

(s) by the program official (PO) for additional information related to the Final RPPR.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

While reviewing a submitted Final RPPR, the PO might determine that additional materials related to the submitted report are required. In this case, the PO submits a request for this information referred to as a FRAM request. When a FRAM request is made, the PI is notified via email with a description of the requested material and a FRAM task appears on the *Closeout Status* screen.

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA: For awards funded by NIH, FDA, and VA, a FRAM request is also used to ask for a *Revised Project Outcome* from the awardee. SAMHSA awards do not use FRAM to ask for *Revised Project Outcome*, although the *Revised Project Outcome* section appears on SAMHSA FRAM screen. SAMHSA awardees should ignore all references to *Revised Project Outcomes* in the following topic, as that section of the FRAM screen is not applicable to SAMHSA.

TIP: You can view the original request for information from the *Status Information* screen. The **Closeout Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) Request** link located in **Other Relevant Documents** section of *Status Information* shows the original request.

Initiating Final Progress Report Additional Materials or Revised Project Outcomes (FRAM)

Either the PI or SO can initiate the FRAM and attach a file or type/paste a Revised Project Outcomes, but only an SO can submit.

- 1. Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. If a PO has requested additional material related to the Final RPPR, the Closeout

Submission Requirement column on Closeout Status screen lists "FRAM" as a task and the **FRAM Update** button appears in the Action column.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

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Award Number 5R24OD020202		PD/PI Name POW, MICHA			eout Contact Nan OSS, NIKINNA	1e
Project Period 04/01/2013 to 0	9/30/2022	Closeout Sta Requires Clos			eout Contact Ema Test@mail.nih.gov	il
Proposal Title Marmoset Nutr	ition	Date Of Stat 03/30/2024	us Change		eout Contact Pho 555-7789	ne
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view have the 'FSR' role a your Commons Acc	associated with	Accepted	Accepted by STEPH DEAAN (FSR)	01/30/2023	
inal RPPR	Only the SO or the P may process the Fina		Final RPPR Received	Submitted by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023 03/29/2024	View
FRAM			Not Received			FRAM Update
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Fina Statement requires Signing Official of th	verification by the	Received	Verified by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023	View

Figure 299: A sample Closeout Status screen showing the FRAM task and FRAM Update button. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

3. Click the **FRAM Update** link.

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)* screen appears. The top of the page contains certification language that should be read prior to submitting materials. It also contains *Notes and Tips* with policy guidance of what should be submitted using this screen.

Home

In submitting these Final Progress Report additional materials, the SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority), certifies that the grantee organization is in compliance with the terms and conditions specified in the Notice of Award and Grants Policy Statement, and verifies the accuracy and validity of all administrative, fiscal, and scientific information in the progress report. The SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority) further certifies that the grantee organization will be accountable for the appropriate use of any funds awarded and for the performance of the grant-supported project or activities resulting from the progress report. Deliberate withholding, falsification, or misrepresentation of information could result in administrative actions such as withdrawal of a progress report, suspension and/or termination of an award, debarment of individuals, as well as possible criminal penalties. The grantee institution may be liable for the reimbursement of funds associated with any inappropriate or fraudulent conduct of the project activity.

Notes and Tips

Please add revised outcomes to the Project Outcomes section of the Final and Interim Research Performance Progress Reports (F-RPPR and I-RPPR) using the plain language that everyone can understand.

As you are aware, with NIH's implementation of the F-RPPR and I-RPPR, a new section, Section I- Outcomes, has been added. The Outcomes section will be made publicly available through the NIH RePORTER website. The objective is to provide the public with easily understood results for NIH-funded biomedical research, thus improving the transparency about the use of federal funds. NIH will only publish project outcomes after they've been reviewed and approved by NIH staff. If a project outcome is deemed to be too scientific in its language, shares proprietary information, or includes Personally Identifiable Information (PII), a grantee will be asked by NIH staff to submit revised project outcomes using the Request for Additional Materials functionality for the Final and Interim RPPR (i.e., Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) for Final RPPR, IRAM for Interim RPPR). Grantees will respond to these requests using an enhanced web form that supports NIH's ability to make this information public. Submitting a revised outcomes statement is accomplished by using only the Project Outcomes section on the request for an additional materials web form. This text box is NOT for general comments or communication. And revised outcome statements will not be accepted if they are uploaded as an attachment. That functionality is reserved for other types of requested information.

Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM) 😯

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FRAM_File.pdf	🧰 🛃	
Uploaded By: Tidmmi, Tawelli	File Uploaded Date: 05/07/2024	
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Figure 300: The FRAM screen contains two distinct sections where material can be submitted, a section for uploading files, and a section for providing a revised outcome

There are two distinct sections to the FRAM screen: the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section, and the *Revised Outcome* section. Use the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section to upload one or more files, if files have been requested by the PO. Use the *Revised Outcome* section to type or paste revised text for the RPPR section titled "I. Outcomes". Policy guidance appears under this section to describe what type of description is needed, and it contains a link you can click to see samples of acceptable project outcomes.

To upload one or more files in the FRAM Upload Additional Materials section:

- Drag and drop file(s) in the "Drop Files Here..." area, or click the browse link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **U** to remove the file.
- 2. If you change your mind about this FRAM submission, and you want to discard it, click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen. This does not delete prior submissions.

To provide a Revised Outcome:

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA. The *Revised Project Outcome* section is not applicable for awards funded by SAMHSA.

See NIH notices **NOT-OD-17-022** and **NOT-OD-17-037** for additional policy guidance on revised outcomes.

1. Read the policy guidance in the *Revised Outcome* section prior to submitting a revised outcome.

2. Type or paste the revised outcome description into the text box provided. Tool icons at the top of the text box provide basic editing tools, such as bold, italic, bullets, numbering, and indenting.

To see what the FRAM submission includes:

- 1. First click the **Save** button at bottom of the screen.
- 2. Click the **Preview** button at the bottom of the screen.

A PDF is downloaded by the browser.

3. Use the browser or another file to open the PDF, which contains a summary of files uploaded, person who uploaded, any revised outcome that was saved, and the contents of any files that were uploaded.

To save the FRAM submission package but not submit it:

Click the **Save** button.

To submit the FRAM package to the awarding agency for their review:

- First read the certification language that appears at the top of the screen. This is what the submitter is agreeing to upon submission of the materials to the awarding agency. Only SOs or those with delegated authority to submit reports can see the **Submit** button.
- 2. To finalize this FRAM submission package and submit it for agency review, click the **Submit** button (SO only).

After you submit the FRAM, a **View** action appears on *Closeout Status*, which you can click to view a PDF document containing all documents and submission details for the FRAM request. You can also view the FRAM submission on the *Status Information* screen under **Other Relevant Documents**. The **FRAM Update** action remains until acceptance of the Final RPPR, enabling you to upload more files; however, you cannot make changes to files already submitted.

Additionally, an email notification is sent to both the SO who submitted the FRAM and to the PI of the grant. A separate notification is sent to the PO of the grant.

NOTE: The PO may rescind the approval of the Final RPPR or Final Progress Report (FPR) submission at any time. If this occurs, the **FRAM Update** action appears for submitting FRAM.

Closeout for SAMHSA Awards

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) awards have the following type of actions/reports due in closeout:

- Federal Financial Report (FFR)
- Final Progress Report (FPR). A final report for non-research awards.
- <u>Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)</u>. This is only required if the agency asks for updates to the submitted progress report.
- Tangible Personal Property Report (TPPR)

Closeout—Federal Financial Report (FFR)

The Federal Financial Report (FFR) is required for closeout. The FFR report should be prepared according instructions provided by the awarding agency. Commons users with the FSR role can see the **Manage Final FFR** action on the Closeout Status screen.

Click the **Manage Final FFR** action to be redirected to the FFR module, from which you can complete the FFR. If you see a **View** action for the FFR requirement, the FFR has already been submitted and you can use the **View** action to see the submitted data.

For awards funded by most agencies, the FFR can be initiated from eRA Commons FFR module or from the *Closeout Status* screen, but users are then redirected to the federal Payment Management System (PMS) to fill out and submit the report. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Long Form (Non-DOC Awards)* on page 223. Users need appropriate access to the Payment Management System; see <u>the PMS Help Desk page</u> if you have trouble accessing PMS.

Agency-Specific Instructions: For awards funded by Department of Commerce (DOC), users initiate and fill out the FFR form within eRA Commons. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Module (DOC)*.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

Closeout—Final Progress Report (FPR)

Some agencies (SAMHSA, DOC) have a type of report called a Final Progress Report (FPR). Final Progress Reports are for non-research awards.

NOTE: The *Final Progress Report (FPR)* should not be confused with the *Final Research Performance Progress Report (FRPPR)*, which is a different reporting mechanism, designed for research awards. If you need to submit an RPPR, or if you see actions on your award listed as **RPPR** or **Process Final RPPR**, then see *Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) Module* on page 315 instead of this topic.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

If your closeout requires a Final Progress Report, then both the PI and the SO see an **Initiate Final Progress Report** button on the *Closeout Status* screen for an award. Either the PI or the SO can click the button and add a file or files, and both can then click **Save** to save the document in the eRA system. In addition, the SO can click **Submit** to submit the document to the agency.

This report should be prepared in accordance with instructions provided by the awarding agency.

Initiating Final Progress Report (FPR)

Either the PI or SO can initiate the Final Progress Report and save a file attached to the FPR request, but only an SO can submit.

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the Initiate Final Progress Report button in Closeout Status.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Closeout Stat	tus 😮					
Application Ir	nformation				Form App	roved OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Number: NA18SEC0101016-T ⁻ Project Period: 10/01/2018 to 09/30 Proposal Title: Climate resilience	I-01 FI C /2023 R D	loseout Sta equires Clo	DON (CONTACT atus:)	Closeout Cont BRELYSE, MIDC Closeout Cont eRATest@mail. Closeout Cont	DN act Email: nih.gov
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view the FFR, you mu the 'FSR' role associated with your O Account.		Not Started			
FPR	The SO should use this section to su other required closeout FPR docum stated in the terms including the Fir Progress Report.	ents as				Initiate Final Progress Report
Additional Closeout Documentation	The SO should use this section to su other required closeout documents in the terms.	· · · · · ·	Not Applicable	Please click on the link u action column to view th status of each document type.	ie	Provide Documentation

Figure 301: Closeout Status screen showing Initiate Final Progress Report button outlined

The Final Progress Report (FPR) screen appears.

Final Progress Re	port (FPR) 😯	
Award Details		
Award Number NA21NMF0808089-T1-01	PD/PI Name FRABRE, MIDON	Project Period 01/01/2022 - 12/31/2023
Org Name STATE UNIV A&M COL Project Title Coastal Change		
	Drop files here to upload,	or <u>browse.</u> , PDF, TXT Max File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
Please provide comments:		
		Cancel The Cancel Cance

Figure 302: Closeout - Final Progress Report upload screen

- 3. Drag and drop file(s) in the "**Drop Files Here...**" area, or click the **browse** link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **I** to remove the file.
- 4. If you change your mind about this FPR submission, and you want to discard it, click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen.
- 5. To save this FPR submission package but not submit to the agency, click the **Save** button.

6. To finalize this FPR submission package and submit it for agency review, click the **Submit** button (SO only).

Viewing Prior Submissions or Resubmitting the Final Progress Report After Initial Submission

Once the SO submits the FPR, users can continue to initiate and submit new iterations of the FPR. Either a PI or SO can click the **Initiate Final Progress Report** button again and upload additional files. The FPR files that you upload after previous submissions are appended to the previous submissions. Prior submitted files cannot be removed by initiating a new iteration of the FPR.

To view what has been submitted so far, click the **View Prior Submission** button, which downloads a file using browser download settings.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce (DOC). For DOC awards, you download a ZIP file because multiple file types are allowed to be uploaded--the ZIP contains all files. Additionally, a SUBMISSION SUMMARY lists all the submitted files and details such as time, submitter, and file name.

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA. For SAMHSA awards, only PDFs are allowed to be uploaded, so only a PDF will be downloaded upon viewing the prior submission.

Application Inf	ormation				Form Appro	oved OMB No. 0925-000
Award Number:		PD/PI Name:		Closeout	Contact Name:	
NA18SEC0101016-T1-)1	FRAKER, MICHAE	L (CONTACT)	BRELYSE, M	AIDON	
Project Period:		Closeout Status		Closeout	Contact Email:	
10/01/2018 to 09/30/2	023	Requires Closeou	t	eRATest@i	mail.nih.gov	
Proposal Title:		Date Of Status (Change:	Closeout	Contact Phone:	
Climate resilience		10/29/2023				
Closeout Submission Requirement FFR	Instruction To submit and view the FFR,	you must have the	Status Not Started	Result of Actions	Date	Action
	'FSR' role associated with yo Account.	·	Not Stated			
FPR	The SO should use this sect other required closeout FPR stated in the terms including	documents as	FPR Submitted	FPR Submitted by Car Atmen(SO)	02/06/2024	Initiate Final Progress Report View Prior Submission
	Report.					

Figure 303: Closeout Status screen showing View Prior Submission button, which appears after a file has already been submitted to the awarding agency

Editing Final Progress Report (Prior to Submission)

If you or another user initiated the FPR at a prior date, and uploaded a file and saved the report, then the file is saved in the eRA system, but is not yet submitted for agency review. If an FPR is saved, the next user to go to closeout for the award sees an **Edit** button for the FPR on the *Closeout Status* screen. A PI or SO can click **Edit** and add additional files, remove files, and save again. If the user is an SO, the SO can also submit to the agency by clicking the **Submit** button.

Follow the same instructions in *Initiating Final Progress Report (FPR)* on page 656 above to add or remove files.

Closeout Sta	tus 😮					
Application In	nformation				Form Approve	d OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Number: NA18SEC0101016-T1		/PI Name : AKER, MICI	: HAEL (CONTACT		Closeout Contact N BRELYSE, MIDON	lame:
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Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view the FFR, you must the 'FSR' role associated with your C Account.		Not Started			
FPR	The SO should use this section to su other required closeout FPR docume stated in the terms including the Fin Progress Report.	ents as	FPR Initiated	FPR Initiated by Car Atmen(SO)	02/05/2024	Edit
Additional Closeout Documentation	The SO should use this section to su other required closeout documents a in the terms.		Not Applicable	Please click on the link und action column to view the status of each document type.	ler	Provide Documentation

Figure 304: Closeout Status screen showing Edit button for FPR and Provide Documentation button for Additional Closeout Documentation

Upon review of the Final Progress Report, the Program Officer (PO) may determine that additional information is needed from the grantee institution.

Agency-Specific Instructions: Department of Commerce. For DOC awards, the agency staff returns the final progress report to the recipient for changes.

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA. For SAMHSA awards, agency staff makes a request for this information. This is referred to as a Final Progress Report Additional Material (FRAM) request. In this event, a **FRAM Update** link will appear in the **Action** column providing a means for submitting the additional material. Refer to the topic titled *Closeout—Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)* on page 681 for information and the steps for completing this request.

Closeout—Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials* (FRAM) link provides a means for awardees to enter, review, route, and submit information in response to specific request (s) by the program official (PO) for additional information related to the Final RPPR.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

While reviewing a submitted Final RPPR, the PO might determine that additional materials related to the submitted report are required. In this case, the PO submits a request for this information referred to as a FRAM request. When a FRAM request is made, the PI is notified via email with a description of the requested material and a FRAM task appears on the *Closeout Status* screen.

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA: For awards funded by NIH, FDA, and VA, a FRAM request is also used to ask for a *Revised Project Outcome* from the awardee. SAMHSA awards do not use FRAM to ask for *Revised Project Outcome*, although the *Revised Project Outcome* section appears on SAMHSA FRAM screen. SAMHSA awardees should ignore all references to *Revised Project Outcomes* in the following topic, as that section of the FRAM screen is not applicable to SAMHSA.

TIP: You can view the original request for information from the *Status Information* screen. The **Closeout Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) Request** link located in **Other Relevant Documents** section of *Status Information* shows the original request.

Initiating Final Progress Report Additional Materials or Revised Project Outcomes (FRAM)

Either the PI or SO can initiate the FRAM and attach a file or type/paste a Revised Project Outcomes, but only an SO can submit.

- 1. Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. If a PO has requested additional material related to the Final RPPR, the Closeout Submission Requirement column on Closeout Status screen lists "FRAM" as a task and the **FRAM Update** button appears in the Action column.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

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Award Numbe	•	PD/PI Name POW, MICHA			out Contact Nan SS, NIKINNA	ne
Project Period 04/01/2013 to 0	09/30/2022	Closeout Sta Requires Clos			out Contact Ema st@mail.nih.gov	il
Proposal Title Marmoset Nutr	ition	Date Of Stat 03/30/2024	us Change		out Contact Pho 55-7789	ne
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view have the 'FSR' role a your Commons Acco	ssociated with	Accepted	Accepted by STEPH DEAAN (FSR)	01/30/2023	
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the Pl may process the Fina		Final RPPR Received	Submitted by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023 03/29/2024	View
FRAM			Not Received			FRAM Update
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Fina Statement requires Signing Official of th	verification by the	Received	Verified by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023	View

Figure 305: A sample Closeout Status screen showing the FRAM task and FRAM Update button. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

3. Click the **FRAM Update** link.

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)* screen appears. The top of the page contains certification language that should be read prior to submitting materials. It also contains *Notes and Tips* with policy guidance of what should be submitted using this screen.

Home

In submitting these Final Progress Report additional materials, the SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority), certifies that the grantee organization is in compliance with the terms and conditions specified in the Notice of Award and Grants Policy Statement, and verifies the accuracy and validity of all administrative, fiscal, and scientific information in the progress report. The SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority) further certifies that the grantee organization will be accountable for the appropriate use of any funds awarded and for the performance of the grant-supported project or activities resulting from the progress report. Deliberate withholding, falsification, or misrepresentation of information could result in administrative actions such as withdrawal of a progress report, suspension and/or termination of an award, debarment of individuals, as well as possible criminal penalties. The grantee institution may be liable for the reimbursement of funds associated with any inappropriate or fraudulent conduct of the project activity.

Notes and Tips

Please add revised outcomes to the Project Outcomes section of the Final and Interim Research Performance Progress Reports (F-RPPR and I-RPPR) using the plain language that everyone can understand.

As you are aware, with NIH's implementation of the F-RPPR and I-RPPR, a new section, Section I- Outcomes, has been added. The Outcomes section will be made publicly available through the NIH RePORTER website. The objective is to provide the public with easily understood results for NIH-funded biomedical research, thus improving the transparency about the use of federal funds. NIH will only publish project outcomes after they've been reviewed and approved by NIH staff. If a project outcome is deemed to be too scientific in its language, shares proprietary information, or includes Personally Identifiable Information (PII), a grantee will be asked by NIH staff to submit revised project outcomes using the Request for Additional Materials functionality for the Final and Interim RPPR (i.e., Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) for Final RPPR, IRAM for Interim RPPR). Grantees will respond to these requests using an enhanced web form that supports NIH's ability to make this information public. Submitting a revised outcomes statement is accomplished by using only the Project Outcomes section on the request for an additional materials web form. This text box is NOT for general comments or communication. And revised outcome statements will not be accepted if they are uploaded as an attachment. That functionality is reserved for other types of requested information.

Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM) 😯

nstitution: RESEARCH INST	0202-04 TITUTE	PD/PI Name: POW, MICHAEL Project Title: Marmoset Nutrition
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Uploaded By: Tidmmi, Tawelli	File Uploaded Date: 05/07/2024	
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Figure 306: The FRAM screen contains two distinct sections where material can be submitted, a section for uploading files, and a section for providing a revised outcome

There are two distinct sections to the FRAM screen: the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section, and the *Revised Outcome* section. Use the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section to upload one or more files, if files have been requested by the PO. Use the *Revised Outcome* section to type or paste revised text for the RPPR section titled "I. Outcomes". Policy guidance appears under this section to describe what type of description is needed, and it contains a link you can click to see samples of acceptable project outcomes.

To upload one or more files in the FRAM Upload Additional Materials section:

- Drag and drop file(s) in the "Drop Files Here..." area, or click the browse link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **U** to remove the file.
- 2. If you change your mind about this FRAM submission, and you want to discard it, click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen. This does not delete prior submissions.

To provide a Revised Outcome:

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA. The *Revised Project Outcome* section is not applicable for awards funded by SAMHSA.

See NIH notices **NOT-OD-17-022** and **NOT-OD-17-037** for additional policy guidance on revised outcomes.

1. Read the policy guidance in the *Revised Outcome* section prior to submitting a revised outcome.

2. Type or paste the revised outcome description into the text box provided. Tool icons at the top of the text box provide basic editing tools, such as bold, italic, bullets, numbering, and indenting.

To see what the FRAM submission includes:

- 1. First click the **Save** button at bottom of the screen.
- 2. Click the **Preview** button at the bottom of the screen.

A PDF is downloaded by the browser.

3. Use the browser or another file to open the PDF, which contains a summary of files uploaded, person who uploaded, any revised outcome that was saved, and the contents of any files that were uploaded.

To save the FRAM submission package but not submit it:

Click the **Save** button.

To submit the FRAM package to the awarding agency for their review:

- First read the certification language that appears at the top of the screen. This is what the submitter is agreeing to upon submission of the materials to the awarding agency. Only SOs or those with delegated authority to submit reports can see the **Submit** button.
- 2. To finalize this FRAM submission package and submit it for agency review, click the **Submit** button (SO only).

After you submit the FRAM, a **View** action appears on *Closeout Status*, which you can click to view a PDF document containing all documents and submission details for the FRAM request. You can also view the FRAM submission on the *Status Information* screen under **Other Relevant Documents**. The **FRAM Update** action remains until acceptance of the Final RPPR, enabling you to upload more files; however, you cannot make changes to files already submitted.

Additionally, an email notification is sent to both the SO who submitted the FRAM and to the PI of the grant. A separate notification is sent to the PO of the grant.

NOTE: The PO may rescind the approval of the Final RPPR or Final Progress Report (FPR) submission at any time. If this occurs, the **FRAM Update** action appears for submitting FRAM.

Closeout—Tangible Personal Property Report (TPPR)

For awards granted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), you are required to submit a Tangible Personal Property Report (TPPR) as part of the Closeout process. The purpose of the TPPR is to ensure any real or tangible personal property is accounted for. The TPPR report should be prepared according instructions provided by the awarding agency. This topic discusses the steps for uploading, viewing, and submitting a TPPR.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

For general SAMHSA closeout information, see <u>Grant Closeout</u>. (https://www.sam-hsa.gov/grants/grants-management/grant-closeout)

For instructions on FPR and TPPR for SAMHSA awards, see the <u>PDF titled Grantee Clos</u>-<u>eout: FPR and TPPR</u>. (https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/grantee-reference-closeout-submitting-tppr-and-fpr.pdf)

Initiating Tangible Personal Property Report (TPPR)

Either the PI or SO can initiate the Tangible Personal Property Report.

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the Initiate Tangible Personal Property Report button in Closeout Status.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

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Proposal Title:		Date Of Status C	hange:		Closeout Contact Phor	ie:
Region C		08/14/2023			(555) 555-1077	
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	In order to access the FFR and the Payment Management Sys complete the FFR, you must he assigned to your account	stem (PMS) to	Accepted	Accepted by AUDY BUNAN (FSR)	04/06/202	22 Manage Final FFR
FPR	The SO should use this section other required closeout FPR d in the terms including the Fina	ocuments as stated	Not Received			Initiate Final Progress Report
TPPR	The SO should use this section other required closeout Tangib Property Report (SF-428 series stated in the terms including t Personal Property Report.	ble Personal) documents as	Not Received			Initiate Tangible Personal Property Report (SF-428 series)

Figure 307: Closeout Status screen showing Initiate Tangible Personal Property Report action, outlined

The *Tangible Personal Property Report* screen appears, shown below:

Award Details		
Grant Number: 1H79SM010101-01 Project Title: Region C Org Name: COMMUNITY HEALTH	PD/PI Name: Souis, Roset	Project Period: 02/15/2021 to 02/14/2023
loseout Tangible Person	al Property Report	
loseout Tangible Person	al Property Report	
5	al Property Report	<u>owse.</u>

Figure 308: Tangible Personal Property Report screen, as seen by an SO

- 3. Drag and drop file(s) in the "**Drop Files Here...**" area, or click the **browse** link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **b** to remove the file.
- 4. If you change your mind about this TPPR submission, and you want to discard it completely, click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen. Preview shows the entire submission, which consists of a pdf with application Information, data about who uploaded the file and when, followed by the uploaded file's contents.
- 5. To save the file with this TPPR but not submit to the agency, click the **Save** button.
- 6. To finalize this TPPR and submit it for agency review, click the **Submit** button (SO only).

TPPR Buttons Available After Initiating TPPR

Various buttons appear after a TPPR is initiated:

- After a TPPR is saved but not submitted, an **Edit** button appears on the Closeout Status screen. Clicking Edit lets you discard the uploaded file and upload a new one.
- After the TPPR is submitted, but not yet accepted by the agency, the Initiate Tangible Personal Property button remains available on Closeout Status. As long as the TPPR is not yet accepted, you can continue to upload and submit the TPPR as many times as needed. Each submission replaces the prior submission.
- After the TPPR is submitted, a View Prior Submission button becomes available on Closeout Status. Click it to see the entire submission, which consists of a pdf with application Information, data about who uploaded the file and when, followed by the uploaded file's contents.

Closeout for VA Awards

Veterans Administration (VA) awards have the following type of actions/reports due in closeout:

- Federal Financial Report (FFR)
- <u>Final Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR)</u>. A final report for research awards.
- Final Invention Statement
- <u>Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)</u>. This is only required if the agency asks for updates to the submitted progress report.

Closeout—Federal Financial Report (FFR)

The Federal Financial Report (FFR) is required for closeout. The FFR report should be prepared according instructions provided by the awarding agency. Commons users with the FSR role can see the **Manage Final FFR** action on the Closeout Status screen.

Click the **Manage Final FFR** action to be redirected to the FFR module, from which you can complete the FFR. If you see a **View** action for the FFR requirement, the FFR has already been submitted and you can use the **View** action to see the submitted data.

For awards funded by most agencies, the FFR can be initiated from eRA Commons FFR module or from the *Closeout Status* screen, but users are then redirected to the federal Payment Management System (PMS) to fill out and submit the report. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Long Form (Non-DOC Awards)* on page 223. Users need appropriate access to the Payment Management System; see <u>the PMS Help Desk page</u> if you have trouble accessing PMS.

Agency-Specific Instructions: For awards funded by Department of Commerce (DOC), users initiate and fill out the FFR form within eRA Commons. See *Federal Financial Report (FFR) Module (DOC)*.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

Closeout—Final Research Performance Progress Report for NON-NIH Awards

Consult with the awarding agency for policy guidance on Final Research Performance Progress Reports (RPPRs).

- The H. Budget form is not applicable for Final RPPRs.
- The I. Outcomes form is applicable only for Final RPPRs.
- The F. Changes form is not applicable for Final RPPRs.

Submit Your Final RPPR

- Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. Click the **Process Final RPPR** button in Closeout Status.

Applicatio	on Information	1			Form Approved	d OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Numbe	r:	PD/PI Name:		CI	oseout Contact	Name:
NA18SEC01010	16-T1-01	FRABRE, MIDON	I (CONTACT)	BF	RELYSE, MIDON	
Project Period:		Closeout Status		CI	oseout Contact	Email:
10/01/2018 to 0	9/30/2023	Requires Closeo	ut	eR	ATest@mail.nih	.gov
Proposal Title:		Date Of Status	Change:	CI	oseout Contact	Phone:
Climate resilien	ce	10/29/2023				
Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and vie must have the 'FS with your Commo	R' role associated	Not Started			
FFR Final RPPR	must have the 'FS	R' role associated ns Account. e PI of the Award				Process Final RPPR

Figure 309: Closeout Status sceen showing the Process Final RPPR button, outlined

The *RPPR Menu* screen appears.

If the Final RPPR has already been initiated, then no **Initiate** button appears and you should skip the next step.

3. If an **Initiate** button appears on this screen, click the **Initiate** button to start the Final RPPR.

Award Number	Program Director(PD)/Principal Investigator(PI)	Due Date	Current Reviewer	Status
5R01CA200000-05	BROWN, JAN	12/15/2021		Not Started
Institution		Project Title		
UNIVERSITY OF CALIF	ORNIA	Glioblastoma		

Figure 310: RPPR Menu screen, showing the Initiate button outlined

After the Final RPPR has been initiated, you see a three-dot ellipsis icon next to the Award Number, where you can access RPPR actions.

RPPR Menu 😮						
RPPR						
Award Number 5R01CA200000-05	Program Director(PD)/Principal Inv BROWN, JAN Edit RPPR	12/15/2021	Current Reviewer Baum, Ann	Status Reviewer Work in Progress		
UNIVERSITY OF CA	▲ Check for Errors ➢ View RPPR as PDF ⑦ View Routing History ➡ Route to Next Reviewer Submit 	Project Title Glioblastoma		Sancel		

Figure 311: RPPR Menu screen after RPPR has been initiated, showing the three-dot ellipsis menu with the Edit RPPR action

4. Select **Edit RPPR** from the three-dot ellipsis menu, fill out the RPPR, and Submit it (only SOs can submit). For more details on filling out the RPPR, see *Editing the RPPR Forms* on page 331.

Closeout—Final Invention Statement

Either a principal investigator (PI) or a signing official (SO) can edit a final invention statement, but only an SO can submit it to the agency. Use this procedure to complete a Final Invention Statement that lists inventions that were conceived as part of the research grant.

Reporting Inventions on the Final Invention Statement on page 675

Reporting No Inventions on the Final Invention Statement on page 679

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

NIH Final Invention Statement Policy Guidance

Agency-Specific Instructions: NIH only. The following policy guidance applies to NIH-funded awards only.

You must submit a Final Invention Statement (FIS) within 120 days following the termination of a grant award. The statement should include all inventions that were conceived or first reduced to practice during the course of work under the grant or award, from the original effective date of support through the date of completion or termination.

Policy: For policy information on awards funded by the Department of Health and Human Services, refer to the <u>Procedure for Submission of Final Invention Statement and</u> <u>Certification</u>.

If your award is funded by a non-NIH source, check with your awarding agency for policy guidance on final invention statements.

Reporting Inventions on the Final Invention Statement

To complete a final invention statement when inventions need to be reported:

 Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.

The Closeout Status screen appears.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Applicatio	n Information				Form Approv	ed OMB No. 0925-000	
Award Number 5R01HS020202-03 Project Period 08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024 Proposal Title Making health care safer		PD/PI Name ARBALI <u>,</u> CIAIN	PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES		Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov		
		Closeout Status Requires Closeout Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024					
				Clo 301	one		
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action	
FFR	To submit and view th have the 'FSR' role ass Commons Account.		Not Started			Manage Final FFR	
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the PI process the Final RPPF		Not Received			Process Final RPPR	
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Final I requires verification by		Not Received			Process Final Invention Statement	

Figure 312: Closeout Status screen example showing the Process Final Invention Statement button

2. Click the **Process Final Invention Statement** button on *Closeout Status*.

Application Information		Form Approved OMB No. 0	925-0002
Award Number 5R01HS020202-03	PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES	Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR	
Project Period 08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024	Closeout Status Requires Closeout	Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov	
Proposal Title Making health care safer	Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024	Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555	
Add New Inventions Required Fields Name of Inventor *	Title of Invention *	Date Reported to DHHS *	
Required Fields	Title of Invention * Modulabalator	Date Reported to DHHS *	Ē
Required Fields		•	Ē

The Process Final Invention Statement screen displays.

Figure 313: Process Final Invention Statement screen with no inventions yet added

- 3. To add an invention:
 - a. Type the **Name of Inventor**, **Title of Invention**, and the **Date Reported to DHSS** (the date you want to officially report it to the Department of Health and Human Services).
 - b. Click the Add Invention and Save button.

The *Confirm Invention* popup appears with customized language depending on whether the award is funded by AHRQ or NIH.

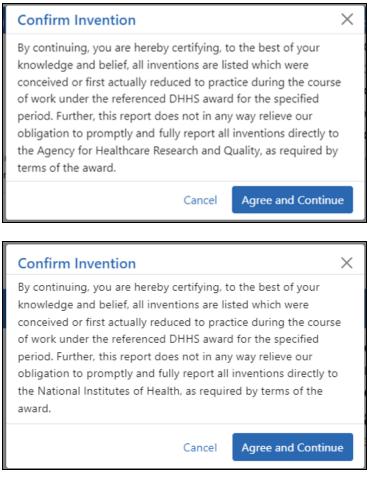


Figure 314: Confirm Invention popup screen attesting that all inventions are listed

c. Click **Agree and Continue** in the popup even if you have more inventions to add.

The invention is now listed under *Added Inventions* at the bottom of the screen. As long as the final invention statement has not yet been submitted, either a PI or SO who views this screen can click an item's **Delete Invention and Save** link in the Action column to remove it.

Name of Inventor	Title of Invention	Date Reported to DHHS	Action		
Sally Fields	filmerator	07/30/2024	🛅 Delete Invention and Save		
Burt Reynolds	Truckerator	07/30/2024	💼 Delete Invention and Save		
Burt Reynolds	Truckerator	07/30/2024	面 Delete Invention ar		

Figure 315: Added Inventions section of Process Final Invention Statement screen, showing a list of inventions

4. To add additional inventions, repeat the previous step as many times as necessary. Any inventions you define are saved immediately.

NOTE: Click the **Preview (Inventions Reported)** button to download a PDF copy of the final invention statement form filled out with the entered information and grant information.

5. When all the inventions are listed at the bottom of the screen, click the **Submit** button to submit the invention statement to the awarding agency. (Only the SO can submit—the PI does not see a **Submit** button.)

The Confirm Invention popup appears again.

6. Click Agree and Continue again to complete submission.

You are returned to the *Closeout Status* screen and the Final Invention Statement task now indicates the Status of Submitted and shows submission details.

After final invention statement submission, the PDF form that was submitted is available on the *Closeout Status* screen by clicking the **View** button next to the Final Invention Statement task.

Reporting No Inventions on the Final Invention Statement

To complete a final invention statement certifying that no inventions exist:

 Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.

The Closeout Status screen appears.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Applicatio	n Information				Fo	orm Approved C	OMB No. 0925-0002
Award Number 5R01HS020202-		PD/PI Name ARBALI <u>,</u> CIAIN	PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES		Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR		
Project Period 08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024 Proposal Title Making health care safer			Closeout Status Requires Closeout Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024		Closeout Contact Email eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov		
					Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555		
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	5	Date	Action
FFR	To submit and view th have the 'FSR' role ass Commons Account.		Not Started				Manage Final FFR
Final RPPR	Only the SO or the PI process the Final RPPF		Not Received				Process Final RPPR
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Final I requires verification by		Not Received				Process Final Invention Statement

Figure 316: Closeout Status screen example showing the Process Final Invention Statement button

2. Click the **Process Final Invention Statement** button on *Closeout Status* screen.

The Process Final Invention Statement screen displays.

Process Final Inventio	n Statement 😮			
Application Information	1	Form Approved OMB N	No. 0925-0002	
Award Number 5R01HS020202-03 Project Period	PD/PI Name ARBALI, CIAINES Closeout Status	Closeout Contact Name GRELEN, GAGOR Closeout Contact Email		
08/01/2019 to 05/31/2024	Requires Closeout	eRAUAT@mail.nih.gov		
Proposal Title Making health care safer	Date Of Status Change 07/18/2024	Closeout Contact Phone 301-555-5555		
Add New Inventions				
Name of Inventor *	Title of Invention *	Date Reported to DHHS *		
ARBALI, CIAINES	Modulabalator	07/30/24	Ē	
		Must be Today's date or Before		
		Save with No Inventions Add Inver	ntion and Save	
		Return to C	Closeout Statu	

Figure 317: Process Final Invention Statement screen with Save with No Inventions button outlined

3. Click the Save with No Inventions button.

A success message appears on the top right side of the eRA screen heading. You will also notice that the Preview button is now named **Preview (No Inventions Reported)**.



Figure 318: Success message in eRA Commons banner noting the FIS (final invention statement) was created with no inventions reported

Add New Inventions * Required Fields				
Name of Inventor *	Title of Invention *	Date	e Reported to D	HHS *
		m	m/dd/yyyy	i
		Must	t be Today's date o	r Before
		Save with N	lo Inventions	Add Invention and Save
	Return to Closeout	Status Previe	ew (No Inventior	s Reported) Submit

Figure 319: Final Inventions Statement with no inventions, showing the name of Preview button changed to "Preview (No Inventions Reported)

NOTE: Click the **Preview (No Inventions Reported)** button to download a PDF copy of the final invention statement form filled out with the entered information and grant information.

4. Once you confirm that the Preview button is now renamed to indicate "No Inventions Reported", click the Submit button to submit a statement indicating no inventions are being reported. (Only the SO sees a Submit button and has the ability to submit.)

A certification popup appears.

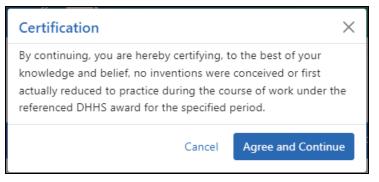


Figure 320: Certification popup for that appears when submitting a final invention statement indicating no inventions

5. Click Agree and Continue in the Certification popup.

You are returned to the *Closeout Status* screen and the Final Invention Statement task now indicates the Status of Submitted and shows submission details.

After final invention statement submission, the PDF form that was submitted is available on the *Closeout Status* screen by clicking the **View** button next to the Final Invention Statement task.

Closeout—Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials* (FRAM) link provides a means for awardees to enter, review, route, and submit information in response to specific request

(s) by the program official (PO) for additional information related to the Final RPPR.

NOTE: Only a signing official (SO) or a user with delegated report submit authority can submit the reports or other data; the program directory/principal investigator (PD/PI) can upload, preview, delete and save the closeout report submission package, but cannot complete the final step to submit.

While reviewing a submitted Final RPPR, the PO might determine that additional materials related to the submitted report are required. In this case, the PO submits a request for this information referred to as a FRAM request. When a FRAM request is made, the PI is notified via email with a description of the requested material and a FRAM task appears on the *Closeout Status* screen.

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA: For awards funded by NIH, FDA, and VA, a FRAM request is also used to ask for a *Revised Project Outcome* from the awardee. SAMHSA awards do not use FRAM to ask for *Revised Project Outcome*, although the *Revised Project Outcome* section appears on SAMHSA FRAM screen. SAMHSA awardees should ignore all references to *Revised Project Outcomes* in the following topic, as that section of the FRAM screen is not applicable to SAMHSA.

TIP: You can view the original request for information from the *Status Information* screen. The **Closeout Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) Request** link located in **Other Relevant Documents** section of *Status Information* shows the original request.

Initiating Final Progress Report Additional Materials or Revised Project Outcomes (FRAM)

Either the PI or SO can initiate the FRAM and attach a file or type/paste a Revised Project Outcomes, but only an SO can submit.

- 1. Log into <u>eRA Commons</u> as an SO or a PI and access the *Closeout Status* screen. To access the *Closeout Status* screen, see *Accessing the Closeout Screen (SO and PI)* on page 582.
- 2. If a PO has requested additional material related to the Final RPPR, the Closeout

Submission Requirement column on Closeout Status screen lists "FRAM" as a task and the **FRAM Update** button appears in the Action column.

Below is a sample Closeout Status screen showing the task. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

Closeout S	Status 😮						
Applicatio	n Information			i	Form Approved O	MB No. 0925-0002	
Award Number 5R24OD020202		PD/PI Name POW, MICHA		Closeout Contact Name PAROSS, NIKINNA			
Project Period 04/01/2013 to 09/30/2022 Proposal Title Marmoset Nutrition		Closeout Sta Requires Clos		Closeout Contact Email eRATest@mail.nih.gov Closeout Contact Phone 555-555-7789			
		Date Of Stat 03/30/2024	us Change			ne	
Closeout Submission Requirement	Instruction		Status	Result of Actions	Date	Action	
FFR	To submit and view have the 'FSR' role your Commons Act		Accepted	Accepted by STEPH DEAAN (FSR)	01/30/2023		
inal RPPR	Only the SO or the F may process the Fin		Final RPPR Received	Submitted by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023 03/29/2024	View	
RAM			Not Received			FRAM Update	
Final Invention Statement	For Submission, Fir Statement requires Signing Official of t	verification by the	Received	Verified by Jon Scath (SO)	02/09/2023	View	

Figure 321: A sample Closeout Status screen showing the FRAM task and FRAM Update button. Depending on the awarding agency, different tasks might appear than those shown.

3. Click the FRAM Update link.

The *Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM)* screen appears. The top of the page contains certification language that should be read prior to submitting materials. It also contains *Notes and Tips* with policy guidance of what should be submitted using this screen.

Home

In submitting these Final Progress Report additional materials, the SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority), certifies that the grantee organization is in compliance with the terms and conditions specified in the Notice of Award and Grants Policy Statement, and verifies the accuracy and validity of all administrative, fiscal, and scientific information in the progress report. The SO (or PD/PI with delegated authority) further certifies that the grantee organization will be accountable for the appropriate use of any funds awarded and for the performance of the grant-supported project or activities resulting from the progress report. Deliberate withholding, falsification, or misrepresentation of information could result in administrative actions such as withdrawal of a progress report, suspension and/or termination of an award, debarment of individuals, as well as possible criminal penalties. The grantee institution may be liable for the reimbursement of funds associated with any inappropriate or fraudulent conduct of the project activity.

Notes and Tips

Please add revised outcomes to the Project Outcomes section of the Final and Interim Research Performance Progress Reports (F-RPPR and I-RPPR) using the plain language that everyone can understand.

As you are aware, with NIH's implementation of the F-RPPR and I-RPPR, a new section, Section I- Outcomes, has been added. The Outcomes section will be made publicly available through the NIH RePORTER website. The objective is to provide the public with easily understood results for NIH-funded biomedical research, thus improving the transparency about the use of federal funds. NIH will only publish project outcomes after they've been reviewed and approved by NIH staff. If a project outcome is deemed to be too scientific in its language, shares proprietary information, or includes Personally Identifiable Information (PII), a grantee will be asked by NIH staff to submit revised project outcomes using the Request for Additional Materials functionality for the Final and Interim RPPR (i.e., Final Report Additional Materials (FRAM) for Final RPPR, IRAM for Interim RPPR). Grantees will respond to these requests using an enhanced web form that supports NIH's ability to make this information public. Submitting a revised outcomes statement is accomplished by using only the Project Outcomes section on the request for an additional materials web form. This text box is NOT for general comments or communication. And revised outcome statements will not be accepted if they are uploaded as an attachment. That functionality is reserved for other types of requested information.

Final Progress Report Additional Materials (FRAM) 😯

nstitution: RESEARCH INST	D202-04 TITUTE	PD/PI Name: POW, MICHAEL Project Title: Marmoset Nutrition
RAM oad Additional Materials:	:	
		to upload, or <u>browse.</u> File Size: 6MB Max # of Files: 10
FRAM_File.pdf	🚺 🛃	
Uploaded By: Tidmmi, Tawelli	File Uploaded Date: 05/07/2024	
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For NIH Section I.Outcom For NIH Section I.Outcom cise summary of the cumul gth should not exceed half st be written in the followin Is written for the general p Is suitable for dissemination Does not include propriet ase refer to the following lin ps://grants.nih.gov/grants/r	es will be made publicly available ative outcomes or findings of the a page. In addition, for the interim g format: public in clear, concise, and compre- on to the general public, as the infe ary, confidential information or tra- ak for samples of acceptable project	e, thus allowing recipients to provide the general public with a project at the end of a competitive segment. For NIH awards the or final RPPR the summary of outcomes or findings of the award ehensible language; ormation may be available electronically; ide secrets ct outcomes:
For NIH Section I.Outcom For NIH Section I.Outcom cise summary of the cumul yth should not exceed half to be written in the followin Is written for the general p Is suitable for dissemination Does not include propriet ase refer to the following lin ss://grants.nih.gov/grants/r	es will be made publicly available ative outcomes or findings of the a page. In addition, for the interim g format: public in clear, concise, and compre- on to the general public, as the infe ary, confidential information or tra- ak for samples of acceptable project	e, thus allowing recipients to provide the general public with a project at the end of a competitive segment. For NIH awards the or final RPPR the summary of outcomes or findings of the award ehensible language; ormation may be available electronically; ide secrets ct outcomes:
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Figure 322: The FRAM screen contains two distinct sections where material can be submitted, a section for uploading files, and a section for providing a revised outcome

There are two distinct sections to the FRAM screen: the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section, and the *Revised Outcome* section. Use the *FRAM Upload Additional Materials* section to upload one or more files, if files have been requested by the PO. Use the *Revised Outcome* section to type or paste revised text for the RPPR section titled "I. Outcomes". Policy guidance appears under this section to describe what type of description is needed, and it contains a link you can click to see samples of acceptable project outcomes.

To upload one or more files in the FRAM Upload Additional Materials section:

- Drag and drop file(s) in the "Drop Files Here..." area, or click the browse link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **U** to remove the file.
- 2. If you change your mind about this FRAM submission, and you want to discard it, click the **Delete** button at the bottom of the screen. This does not delete prior submissions.

To provide a Revised Outcome:

Agency-Specific Instructions: SAMHSA. The *Revised Project Outcome* section is not applicable for awards funded by SAMHSA.

See NIH notices **NOT-OD-17-022** and **NOT-OD-17-037** for additional policy guidance on revised outcomes.

1. Read the policy guidance in the *Revised Outcome* section prior to submitting a revised outcome.

2. Type or paste the revised outcome description into the text box provided. Tool icons at the top of the text box provide basic editing tools, such as bold, italic, bullets, numbering, and indenting.

To see what the FRAM submission includes:

- 1. First click the **Save** button at bottom of the screen.
- 2. Click the **Preview** button at the bottom of the screen.

A PDF is downloaded by the browser.

3. Use the browser or another file to open the PDF, which contains a summary of files uploaded, person who uploaded, any revised outcome that was saved, and the contents of any files that were uploaded.

To save the FRAM submission package but not submit it:

Click the **Save** button.

To submit the FRAM package to the awarding agency for their review:

- First read the certification language that appears at the top of the screen. This is what the submitter is agreeing to upon submission of the materials to the awarding agency. Only SOs or those with delegated authority to submit reports can see the **Submit** button.
- 2. To finalize this FRAM submission package and submit it for agency review, click the **Submit** button (SO only).

After you submit the FRAM, a **View** action appears on *Closeout Status*, which you can click to view a PDF document containing all documents and submission details for the FRAM request. You can also view the FRAM submission on the *Status Information* screen under **Other Relevant Documents**. The **FRAM Update** action remains until acceptance of the Final RPPR, enabling you to upload more files; however, you cannot make changes to files already submitted.

Additionally, an email notification is sent to both the SO who submitted the FRAM and to the PI of the grant. A separate notification is sent to the PO of the grant.

NOTE: The PO may rescind the approval of the Final RPPR or Final Progress Report (FPR) submission at any time. If this occurs, the **FRAM Update** action appears for submitting FRAM.

xTRACT

Extramural Trainee Reporting and Career Tracking (xTRACT) is a module within eRA Commons used by applicants, grantees, and assistants to create research training tables for inclusion in progress reports and institutional training grant applications.

Because xTRACT is integrated with Commons it is able to pre-populate some training data for training tables and reports by using xTrain appointment and related data. This includes trainee names, selected characteristics, institutions, grant numbers, and subsequent NIH and other HHS awards. xTRACT also allows the manual entry of data, for information not found in Commons or xTrain. This manually entered information is stored in xTRAIN and can be re-used when preparing subsequent training table submissions.

If you are a Signing Official (SO), Principal Investigator (PI), or assistant (ASST) in Commons, you have access to the xTRACT module.

IMPORTANT: xTRACT is a tool for creating training tables. Tables generated in xTRACT must be attached to and submitted with the appropriate progress report or application. There is no Submit feature in xTRACT.

For additional information on xTRACT, please refer to the resources below:

- Guide Note: <u>NOT-OD-16-007</u> (<u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/notice-files/NOT-OD-16-007.html</u>)
- xTRACT Online Help: <u>https://www.era.nih.gov/erahelp/xtract</u>

xTrain

The xTrain module provides external and internal users with online capabilities for working with trainee appointments and the termination notices of trainees and fellows.

If you hold one of the following roles, you can access xTrain and its features:

- TRAINEE
- Pl
- SO
- BO
- SPONSOR
- ASST (when delegated by SPONSOR or PI)

xTrain has its own online help system. You can access the xTrain online help by selecting any of the question mark (?) help icons on the screens within the module or access it directly via this link <u>http://www.era.nih.gov/erahelp/xTrain</u>.

Policy: Ruth L Kirschstein National Research Service Awards

Policy: <u>Reporting and Assurance Requirements for Institutions Receiving Awards for</u> <u>Training of Graduate Students for Doctoral Degress</u>

Administrative Supplement Request

The Administrative Supplements module in eRA Commons lets authorized staff at extramural grantee institutions initiate an electronic request for additional funds within the scope of the approved project. After initiating a request, you are redirected to the ASSIST module to complete the request.

You can also search for existing administrative supplements and open those supplements in ASSIST for editing.

To initiate an administrative supplement from eRA Commons, you must have a role such as principal investigator (PI), signing official (SO), or assistant (ASST) with Status delegation from the PI. In eRA Commons, <u>navigate to the Admin Supp tab</u> to start the process.

For help with ASSIST, see:

<u>Using ASSIST</u> for compete help on using ASSIST.

Initiate an Administrative Supplement Application for help on initiating an administrative supplement request in ASSIST.

Forms Data Entry for help on editing the forms of an administrative supplement request in ASSIST.

Manage Administrative Supplement

When you select the Admin Supp module from <u>eRA navigation</u>, the *Manage Administrative Supplement* screen appears. Use this screen for the following:

- Search for a grant that already has an administrative supplement if you want to edit the administrative supplement.
- Search for a grant for which you want to initiate a new administrative supplement.

The screen functions differently depending on your role:

• If you hold the SO role, you are prompted to provide search criteria before any grants are displayed on the screen.

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	111 Budget Period End Date ≑		on Title \$			•	
Filter Table Grant Number 1F31CA020202- 01A1	Budget Period End	Applicatio		ism of melanoma		Grants.gov	< 1 of 5 ~ > PI Name \$

• If you hold the PI role, your grants automatically display if they are eligible for administrative supplements.

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• If you are a PI delegate, a delegation dropdown menu appears, letting you select the PI whose grants you wish to display.

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In the <u>three-dot ellipsis menu</u> of the row, the following options are available for each grant, depending on the status of the Administrative Supplement Request associated with the grant:

- Start Application. If you select the Start Application option for a grant, you are taken directly to the ASSIST module opened to the Initiate Administrative Supplement Application screen, with the **Parent Grant** field filled in with the grant number.
- Manage. If you select the Manage option for a grant, you are taken to the Award Information screen. If an administrative supplement already exists for this grant, you can select the Edit option from the <u>three-dot ellipsis menu</u> to edit it in ASSIST. If none exist, you can click the Start Application button to be taken directly to the ASSIST module opened to the Initiate Administrative Supplement Application, with the Parent Grant field filled in with the grant number.

NOTE: The option to initiate the application in eRA Commons exists even if responding to a Notice of Special Interest (NOSI) that indicates "the process for Streamlined Submissions using the eRA Commons cannot be used for this initiative."

See <u>Using ASSIST</u> for compete help on using ASSIST.

See for <u>Initiate an Administrative Supplement Application</u> for help on initiating an administrative supplement request in ASSIST.

See <u>Forms Data Entry</u> for help on editing the forms of an administrative supplement request in ASSIST.

Administrative Supplements- Award Information Screen

The Award Information screen lets you either edit an administrative supplement application that already exists, initiate a new administrative supplement application for a grant, or view an existing administrative supplement in read-only mode.

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If current administrative supplement applications are found for the current grant, they are listed in the Award Information table, and a the <u>three-dot ellipsis menu</u> shows the **Edit** option. If you select the **Edit** option for a grant, you are taken directly to the current administrative supplement application in ASSIST where you can edit the various forms necessary for the supplement.

See <u>Forms Data Entry</u> for help on editing the forms of an administrative supplement request in ASSIST.

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	Project Period: 09/30/2018 - 08/31/2023 Status: Work in Progress Submit Application "Submit Application active for Signing Officials	tion" is only
	Status Date: 2020-06-18 11:48:43.000 AM EDT	
	FOA Information: FOA Information: PA-25-333 Opportunity Title: Test FORM E Type 3 Activity Code 333	
	Opportunity Title: Test FORM E Type 3 Activity Code 333 Agency: National Institutes of Health	

If you click the **Start Application** button, you are taken directly to the ASSIST module opened to the Initiate Administrative Supplement Application screen, with the **Parent Grant** field filled in with the grant number.

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	Notice of Special Interest Reference: (Example: HOT-XX-XX-XXX)	
	Unique Supplement Label:	
	Project/Performance Site Locations:	Check this to prepopulate all Project Performance Site Locations from the parent grant
	Senior/Key Persons:	Check this to prepopulate all Senior Key Persons from the provided parent grant
		Initiate Application Cancel and Clear

NOTE: When you initiate an administrative supplement application from the eRA Commons Administrative Supplement module, the **Parent Grant** field is prepopulated with the grant that you clicked and is not editable. In addition, the Funding Opportunity Announcement number is required to initiate. If you initiate an administrative supplement application directly from ASSIST instead of from eRA Commons, you can initiate an administrative supplement without a parent grant number.

See <u>Using ASSIST</u> for compete help on using ASSIST.

See <u>Initiate an Administrative Supplement Application</u> for help on initiating an administrative supplement request in ASSIST.

Change of Institution Overview

The eRA Commons Change of Institution process lets the extramural grantee institution submit an electronic version of a relinquishing statement to the Grants Management community for processing and allows the other grantee institution that is proposed to take over the relinquished grant to access the submitted relinquishing statement.

The institution holding the grant must complete a relinquishing statement through eRA Commons that states it is giving up the grant and identify the receiving institution. The receiving institution must submit an application via Grants.gov using the Parent Funding Opportunity Announcement listed at <u>https://grants.nih.gov/grants/guide/parent_announcements.htm</u>.

NOTE: This functionality only applies to NIH grants.

Features

The Commons system has the following features to accommodate a Change of Institution:

- Create, view, update, save, submit, and route the relinquishing statement via the Commons Status screen
- Create relinquishing statement in PDF format upon submitting the relinquishing statement to the agency
- Event generated and time sensitive eMail Notifications to appropriate users

Users

The following users are involved in the Change of Institution process.

- 1. Signing official (SO)
 - a. The original institution's SO can perform the following relinquishing statement functions: Start a new one, View, Edit, Save, Route, Cancel, Delete and Submit relinquishing statement to the awarding agency. Optionally, the SO can route the relinquishing statement to the principal investigator (PI), who

can review the statement, change the institution and email address, and then route back to an SO.

- b. The receiving institution's SO can perform the following functions: View relinquishing statement
- 2. Program director/principal investigator (PD/PI)
 - a. The original institution's PD/PI can perform the following relinquishing statement functions: View, Edit, Save, Cancel changes, and Route the relinquishing statement to the SO for submitting to the awarding agency.
- 3. Grants management official (GMO) or grants management specialist (GMS)
 - a. The GMO or GMS can perform the following relinquishing statement functions: View, Receive, and Return the relinquishing statement.

Business Rules

Eligible Grants

All awarded and active grants withing their budget period are eligible to be relinquished except for the ones with the following statuses:

- 02 Withdrawn
- 21 Ineligible organization application withdrawn
- 30 Withdrawn by Institute/Center (IC)
- 34 Administratively withdrawn by IC prior to review or council

Subprojects, Institutional Allowances, and Supplements are excluded from being eligible.

Relinquishing statements can be submitted for any activity code.

Access to Relinquishing Statements

At the current award-holding institution, any SO can start or submit the relinquishing statement to the agency via the Status module.

At the prospective institution, SOs can only access a view-only relinquishing statement form via the Status module.

The PD/PI for the award can review and edit parts of the relinquishing statement only if the SO routes the relinquishing statement to the PD/PI. Specifically, the PI can edit the receiving institution and the contact email at the receiving institution, and the PI can route the relinquishing statement back to the SO.

The relinquishing statement can be routed back and forth between the SO and the PD/PI for an unlimited number of times.

Validation

PD/PI routing is not required. The SO can submit the relinquishing statement without routing it to the PD/PI.

Relinquishing statements submitted for pre-award are not validated for the costs relinquished. They can be zero or the original application's requested funds amounts.

Other Rules

The system allows multiple relinquishing statement submissions. The SO is able to submit a new relinquishing statement only if no relinquishing statement has been submitted or if the existing relinquishing statements have been submitted and are now in **Accep-ted for Consideration** status.

The relinquishing statement can be deleted by the SO from the relinquishing institution if it is in the **SO Work In Progress** status and has never been submitted to the awarding agency.

All submitted and accepted versions of the relinquishing statements are visible to the receiving institution.

Grant applications for the new institution should be submitted within thirty days after the relinquishing statement is submitted from the former institution.

The relinquishing statement should be submitted within thirty days of the grant application for the new institution.

Managing Relinquishing Statements

Relinquishing Signing Official (SO) Responsibilities

- Starting a New Relinquishing Statement (SO) on page 703
- Editing a Relinguishing Statement (SO) on page 706
- *Routing the Relinquishing Statement to the PI* on page 708
- Deleting a Relinquishing Statement or Viewing a Read-Only Copy (SO) on page 708
- Viewing Routing History for a Relinquishing Statement on page 709
- Search Types, Statuses, and Actions for Relinquishing Statements on page 700

Program Director/Principal Investigator (PD/PI) Responsibilities

• Editing and Routing a Relinquishing Statement (PI) on page 711

Starting and Working on Relinquishing Statements (SO)

If your institution holds an active award but needs to transfer the award to another institution, a signing official (SO) from your institution must start a relinquishing statement, which contains details of the transfer, which is referred to as a Change of Institution. The transfer must occur before the expiration of the approved project period.

Search Types, Statuses, and Actions for Relinquishing Statements

When you search for relinquishing statements, there are three search types and five possible statuses.

Relinquishing Statement Search Type *	Relinquishing Statement Status
Search for Awards × *	Select one 🔹

Relinquishing Statement Search Type

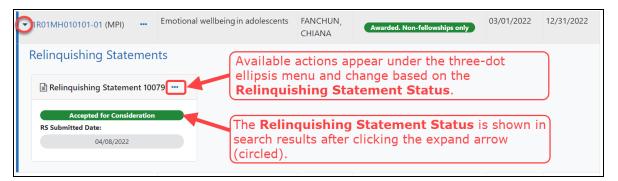
You can search for awards that are eligible to be relinquished to other institutions, awards that have a relinquishing statement in progress at your institution, and awards that are in the progress of being relinquished to your institution. **Not Started.** This option finds awards at your institution that are eligible to be relinquished to other institutions; that is, awards within the budget period.

Search for Awards. This option finds awards that have a relinquishing statement in progress at your institution

Search for Relinquishing Statements. This option finds awards that are in the process of being relinquished to your institution. These will be in either **Submitted to Agency** or **Accepted for Consideration** status. The only action an SO at the receiving institution can take on these awards is to **View Relinquishing Statement** (view the PDF of the relinquishing statement request).

Relinquishing Statement Status

When you do a search for relinquishing statements, you can click the arrow (circled below) to expand the item and show more information, including the status and the three-dot ellipsis menu, which shows available actions. The actions that are available depend on the status of the relinquishing statement.



SO Work in Progress. An SO has created the relinquishing statement and saved it. The SO, or other SOs at the institution, can edit the statement.

PD/PI Work in Progress. An SO has clicked **Route to PI**, which means the Contact PI for the award will see a Relinquishing Statement action in the Status module for the award, which opens the relinquishing statement. The PI can edit the receiving institution or the email contact at the receiving institution, and when finished, can route the statement back to an SO, who receives a notification email. While the relinquishing statement is routed to a PI, SOs can only view the read-only form or view its routing history.

Submitted to Agency. An SO has clicked **Submit**, submitting the relinquishing statement to the awarding agency for their review and consideration.

Accepted for Consideration. If a relinquishing statement is in **Accepted for Consideration** status, then the awarding agency is currently reviewing and considering the request. While in this status, SOs can only view a read-only PDF of the statement or view its routing history. The agency will either approve the request or set it to **Returned**, which means there is a concern or correction that needs to be made. If a relinquishing statement is in Accepted for Consideration, you can start a new relinquishing statement for the same award.

Returned. If a relinquishing statement status is **Returned**, that means it has been evaluated by the agency and has been returned to the initiating institution for more information or corrections. The SO can continue to edit a relinquishing statement in **Returned** status and can view comments made by agency staff by viewing Routing History.

Actions on Relinquishing Statements

Start a New Relinquishing Statement. This action appears on awards that are eligible for changing their institution. It opens a form where you define the terms of the relinquishment. An SO must use the Relinquishing Statement search in Status module and select the search type of **Not Started** to see awards with this action.

Edit Relinquishing Statement. After an SO saves the relinquishing statement (but does not submit), and while the statement is in **SO Work in Progress** status, the SO can look up the relinquishing statement via the **Search for Awards** search type and use this action to open the relinquishing statement for editing.

View Routing History. Opens a popup window showing all routing actions, including the date, relinquishing statement status, and comments entered by persons who did the routing.

Delete Relinquishing Statement. This can only be done by an SO on a relinquishing statement that is in **SO Work in Progress** status.

View Relinquishing Statement. This can only be done by an SO on a relinquishing statement that is in **Accepted for Consideration**, **Submitted to Agency**, or **PD/PI Work in Progress** status. In the first two statuses, the SO can view only a PDF of the submitted relinquishing statement. For the third status, the SO is taken to the **Edit Relinquishing Statement** web page, but all fields are read-only.

Starting a New Relinquishing Statement (SO)

To start a new relinquishing statement:

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your signing official (SO) user ID and password.
- 2. In the Status module, select **Relinquishing Statements** from the **Search Type** dropdown.

The **Relinquishing Statement Search Type** dropdown at the bottom of this screen lets you find relinquishing statements in different stages of being relinquished.

 To find grants held by your institution that are currently eligible to relinquish (within the current budget period), select **Not Started** from the **Relinquishing** Statement Search Type dropdown.

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Figure 323: Manage Relinquishing Statement screen

4. In the search results, select **Start a New Relinquishing Statement** from the threedot ellipsis menu for a grant.

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The Start a New Relinquishing Statement screen appears.

NOTE: You can email the PD/PI by clicking the PD/PI name at the top of the screen.

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5. Identify the institution to which the award is being transferred in one of three ways:

Type its name and select from the suggestion list, OR, type the institution's unique entity identifier (UEI), OR, type the institution's IPF number. Once you select a New Institution Name, if a valid match is found, a Verified symbol appears and all three fields will be filled out for you. If you enter a UEI or an IPF code, a **Verify** button appears, which you must click to verify that a matching institution is found.

- 6. To clear the identifier fields, click a **Clear and Start Over** link next to the UEI or IPF field.
- 7. Enter the requested termination date, the contact email at the *NEW* institution, and optionally list equipment that will transfer with the project. The termination date must be within the current project period.
- 8. Enter the **Direct Cost** and optionally the **Indirect Cost**.
- 9. Click Save to save the relinquishing statement. If you try to route or submit without saving, you are prompted to first save. After saving the form, its name changes to *Edit Relinquishing Statement* and you can edit further. The status of the relinquishing statement changes to SO Work in Progress. Once it is saved, clicking Cancel will NOT discard the form.

When finished with the form, you have four options:

- Click **Cancel** to discard the changes since the last time the form was saved.
- Click **Route to PI** so that the PI can review and edit it. A Relinquishing Statement action will appear in the Status module for the PI for this award. The status of the relinquishing statement changes to **PD/PI Work in Progress**. When it is in this status, the SO can only view it or view its routing history.
- Click **Submit to Agency** if you are sure all information is correct. Its status changes to **Submitted to Agency**. After it is submitted, you cannot edit or delete it. When it is in this status, the SO can only view it or view its routing history.

Editing a Relinquishing Statement (SO)

To edit a relinquishing statement, its status must be **SO Work in Progress** or **Returned**.

To edit a relinquishing statement:

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your signing official (SO) user ID and password.
- 2. In the Status module, select **Relinquishing Statements** from the **Search Type** dropdown.
- In the Relinquishing Statement Search Type dropdown, select Search for Awards.

The Search for Awards option shows relinquishing statements initiated at your

institution that are in progress. When you select **Search for Awards**, the **Relinquishing Statement Status** dropdown appears to further narrow the search.

Relinquishing Statement Search Type *	Relinquishing Statement Status
Search for Awards × *	Select one

 In the Relinquishing Statement Status dropdown, select either SO Work in Progress or Returned. Then click Search. (You can search for other statues, but you are only able to view them, not change them.)

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SO Work RS Submitted Date:	in Progress	Relinquishing Sta Routing History e Relinquishing S			

The Relinquishing Statement Search Results appears.

- For the relinquishing statement you are looking up, click the arrow icon in the Application/Award ID column, which expands the row to show more information. More than one relinquishing statement can appear here.
- 6. Click the three-dot ellipsis menu for the relinquishing statement you want to edit and select **Edit Relinquishing Statement**.

The relinquishing statement opens in edit mode; see *Starting a New Relinquishing Statement (SO)* on page 703 for details of the relinquishing statement form.

Routing the Relinquishing Statement to the PI

Follow the directions to either start a new relinquishing statement or edit an existing relinquishing statement (see above procedures), then click the **Route to PI** button while in the *Relinquishing Statement* screen. Click the **Route** button in the confirmation popup that appears.

A Relinquishing Statement comments popup appears if you choose to route.

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	11
Total remaining allowed limit is 2000 characters.	
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Deleting a Relinquishing Statement or Viewing a Read-Only Copy (SO)

To delete a relinquishing statement, its status can only be **SO Work in Progress**. If a relinquishing statement is already submitted to the agency, or if it is currently routed to the PI, you can ONLY view a read-only copy of the form.

To delete or view routing history:

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your signing official (SO) user ID and password.
- 2. In the Status module, select **Relinquishing Statements** from the **Search Type** dropdown.
- 3. In the **Relinquishing Statement Search Type** dropdown, select **Search for Awards**.

The **Search for Awards** option shows relinquishing statements initiated at your institution that are in progress.

4. You can leave the **Relinquishing Statement Status** dropdown empty.

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Not Su	ibmitted 📋 Delete	e Relinquishing St	atement		

The Relinquishing Statement Search Results appears.

- For the relinquishing statement you are looking up, click the arrow icon in the Application/Award ID column, which expands the row to show more information. More than one relinquishing statement can appear here.
- 6. To delete, click the three-dot ellipsis menu for the relinquishing statement you want to edit and select **Delete Relinquishing Statement**. (Deletion is possible only **for SO Work in Progress** relinquishing statements.)
- 7. To view a read-only relinquishing statement (that is either submitted, or routed to the PI), click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **View Relinquishing Statement**. If it is submitted, you see a PDF of the submitted form. If it is routed to the PI, you see the form on the *Relinquishing Statement* screen.

Viewing Routing History for a Relinquishing Statement

A PI or agency user can choose to write comments on the relinquishing statement. For instance, if the agency reviewer sets the relinquishing statement to **Returned**, meaning

there are corrections or concerns, the agency reviewer can write comments. The SO can see these comments, or PI comments, in the *Routing History* popup. The routing history of a relinquishing statement can be viewed in any status.

To view routing history:

- 1. Log in to <u>eRA Commons</u> with your signing official (SO) user ID and password.
- 2. In the Status module, select **Relinquishing Statements** from the **Search Type** dropdown.
- In the Relinquishing Statement Search Type dropdown, select Search for Awards.

The **Search for Awards** option shows relinquishing statements initiated at your institution that are in progress. You can leave the **Relinquishing Statement Status** dropdown empty.

The Relinquishing Statement Search Results appears.

Relinquishing S	Statement Searc	ch Results	5 😧		
Search Criteria: RS S	Status: SO Work in Progress	RS Search Type	: Search for Awards		
Filter Table	2 Results			📩 🔳	< 1 of 1 🗸 >
Application/Award	Proposal Title ≑	PD/PI Name \$	Application Status 🖨	Budget Period Start Date ≑	Budget Period End Date ≑
▼1F30AG010101-01	Degradation of RNA	YAHATA, SORA	Awarded. Fellowships only	03/01/2022	02/28/2023
SO Work RS Submitted Date:	in Progress	Relinquishing St. Routing History e Relinquishing	,		

 For the relinquishing statement you are looking up, click the arrow icon in the Application/Award ID column, which expands the row to show more information. More than one relinquishing statement can appear here. 5. To view routing history, click the three-dot ellipsis menu and select **View Routing History**.

The Routing History popup appears. If the PI or agency reviewer wrote comments, those comments appear here.

Reviewer Name	RS Status	Action Date	Next Reviewer Name	Comments
JONES, DAVY	SO Work in Progress	6/1/2022, 5:25:28 PM	NONE	
JONES, DAVY	Submitted to Agency	6/1/2022, 5:25:30 PM	NIH	
DOE, JANE	Returned	6/23/2022, 7:04:28 PM		The total award on term date is \$479,000. Please verify the unexpended balance on the term date and resubmit. I sent an email to the University AOR to verify also.

Editing and Routing a Relinquishing Statement (PI)

While only a signing official (SO) can start or submit a relinquishing statement, the SO can route a saved relinquishing statement to the principal investigator (PI) of the award being relinquished. If the SO routes the relinquishing statement, the PI sees a Relinquishing Statement action in the Status module and can edit it. For multiple PI awards, only the Contact PI will see the Relinquishing Statement action. When finished, the PI then routes the relinquishing statement back to an SO.

To find, edit, and route a relinquishing statement (PI):

- 1. Log into eRA Commons and navigate to the Status module.
- Search for and find the grant that is being relinquished and click its Relinquishing Statement action.

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R01NS010101	11/01/20 (Project P	21 - 10/31/2026 eriod)	LING, SUEDO (PD/PI)	Parkinson (Title)	n's Disease	Not	Discussed	-
Application/Award ID	Grants.gov Tracking#	Proposal Title		PD/PI Name	e Submission Status	Current Application Status	Status Date	Available Actions
1R01NS010101-01	GRANT33333333	Parkinson's Disease		LING, SUEDO (PI)	Submission Complete	Not Discussed	06/30/2021	JIT Relinquishing Statement

Figure 324: Status Result - List of Applications/Awards Screen

The *Edit Relinquishing Statement* screen appears. As a PI, you can edit the institution to which the grant is moving, or the contact email at the institution. All other fields are disabled.

PD/PI Name	Project Period	Award Number	Awardee Institution	Address
🖾 Ling, Suedo	09/30/2022 -	1DP1OD033491-	Relinquishing the Award	LA JOLLA, CA,
	09/29/2023	01	UNIVERSITY OF DIEGO	UNITED STATES
- Required Field	tion where the PD	/PI has expressed (desire to continue the resear	-h
elect Which Identifie		/i i nas expressed (desire to continue the researc	
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New Institution Na	ame			
GROUP LIMITED	× *			
) Unique Entity Identi				
New Institution U				
EX: ABCDEF12.		Start Over		
) IPF Code	Verified			
New Institution IP	F Code			
10000000				
1000000	Verified Clear and	Start Over		
equested	Contact Em	ail at		
ermination Date *	the Instituti	on *		
10/06/2022	suedo@r	aailr		
ne date the award will be te	erminated at the current inst			
ust be within the project pe				
quipment costing \$5 ransferring with the				
ansiering with the	project			
test				
otal remaining allowed	d limit is 1995 charact	ers.		
Jnexpended Balar				
		lance which has been r	eceived will be returned the Public F	lealth service, upon reques
vith a final adjustment,	if required, to be mad	le after the award accou	unt has been audited. The unexpend	ed balance on termination
	s of total amount awa	rded for the award year,	, will be:	
ate calculated on basi	Demotolister Die	ect		
	Remaining Dir			
	Cost \$0.00			
\$ 0.00	Cost			
\$ 0.00 ndirect Cost	Cost \$0.00			
\$ 0.00	Cost \$0.00 Remaining			
\$ 0.00 ndirect Cost	Cost \$0.00 Remaining Indirect Cost	al		
S 0.00 Indirect Cost 0.00 \$ 0.00	Cost \$0.00 Remaining Indirect Cost \$0.00	al	Cancel	Save

3. You can identify the institution to which the award is being transferred in one of three ways:

Type its name and select from the suggestion list, OR, type the institution's unique entity identifier (UEI), OR, type the institution's IPF number. Once you select a New

Institution Name, if a valid match is found, a Verified symbol appears and all three fields will be filled out for you. If you enter a UEI or an IPF code, a **Verify** button appears, which you must click to verify that a matching institution is found.

TIP: To clear the identifier fields, click a **Clear and Start Over** link next to the UEI or IPF fields.

- 4. Optionally, change or enter the contact email at the receiving institution.
- 5. Click the **Save** button if you want to save this statement and come back to it later.
- 6. If you are done reviewing/editing, click the **Route to SO** button to move the relinquishing statement back to the SO's queue. Only an SO can submit the statement.

Relinquishing Statement	×
Next Reviewer: *	
Jerrch, Lenni	× ×
Comments:	
I have reviewed the relinquishing statement.	
Total remaining allowed limit is 1955 characters.	//
Cancel	Route

A Relinquishing Statement comments popup appears if you choose to route.

- 7. Choose an SO from the list who is working with you on the relinquishing statement, and optionally enter comments. While any SO can take action on a relinquishing statement, the SO that you choose here will receive a notification email alerting them of the relinquishing statement change, so that particular SO will be reminded to take action. Comments you enter will also appear in the Routing History for the relinquishing statement.
- 8. Click the **Route** button.

The relinquishing statement is routed back to the SOs for your institution, who can view the routing history to see the comments. The specific SO that you choose during routing will receive a notification email with your comments.

Viewing a Submitted Relinquishing Statement from Status Information (PI or SO)

A relinquishing statement is part of the Change of Institution process allowing an extramural grantee institution to transfer an active grant to another institution.

Once a relinquishing statement has been submitted to the agency, you can view a readonly version of it from the Commons *Status Information* screen. SOs can also view the relinquishing statement by searching in Status using the **Relinquishing Statement** search type and then selecting the **Search for Awards** option, then selecting the **View Relinquishing Statement** action on a grant; see *Deleting a Relinquishing Statement or Viewing a Read-Only Copy (SO)* on page 708.

To view the submitted form via the Status Information screen:

- 1. On any Status search screen (for PI or SO), search for an award that you know has a submitted relinquishing statement.
- 2. For the award, click the **Application/Award ID**, which takes you to the *Status Information* screen.

The Status Information screen appears.

2. From the *Status Information* screen, click the **Relinquishing Statement** link under Other Relevant Documents.

Contacts	Status Information 😮		
Administration: Scientific Review	Filter ×		Expand All Collapse All 🖨 Print
Officer (SRO) Name: Yeli, Ali A Phomes (201) 555-0552	1 R01 GM010101-01A1		
Phone: (301) 555-0552 Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>		oject Title	
Administration: Grants Management Specialist (GMS) Name: Murpni, Coe Phone: 301-555-0233	PI Name NIH	H Appl. ID 438333	Application ID 1 R01 GM010101-01A1
Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u> Administration: Program Official	> Status		
(PO) Name: Adial, Ronam Phone: 301 555 4511	\sim Other Relevant Documents		
Email: <u>eRATest@mail.nih.gov</u>	e-Application		
Latest Update	Summary Statement eSubmission Cover Letter		
Application Source: Grants.gov FOA: [PA20-185] - NIH Research Project Grant (Parent R01 Clinical Trial Not Allowed)	esubmission Cover Letter eSubmission-PHS Assignment Request Form Relinguishing Statement(s)		

Figure 325: Status Information Screen Displaying the Relinquishing Statement link

The *Relinquishing Statements* screen appears.

Relinquishing Statem	ents 😮		
1 R01 GM010101-01A1			Appl ID: 10438333
Pi Name(s) Waxei, Doseev		Project Title Transcription	
Appl. Status Council review completed		Institution UNIVERSITY OF DIEGO	
Accession Number 4596752			
Filter Table 1 Results			▲ 🖪 < 1 of 1 ~ >
Document Name ≑	Status ≑	Submitted Date 🔺	Comments for Grantee 🌻
Relinquishing Statement	Submitted to Agency	2022-10-05 10:56:54 AM	

Figure 326: Relinquishing Statements Screen

3. Click the **Relinquishing Statement** link to view the Relinquishing Statement PDF.

Non-Research Amendments, Supplements, and Continuations (for Non-Research Agencies)

The *Non-Research* module lets SAMHSA awardees manage post-award amendment applications, supplements and continuations for non-research applications and awards. On all Non Research screens, principal investigators (PIs) see only their own awards, whereas signing officials (SOs) have search criteria to find specific awards.

Also see: . Post Award Amendments for Discretionary Grants on the SAMHSA website.

Accessing the Non Research Module

After logging into eRA Commons, you can access the *Non-Research* main screen either of two ways:

1. <u>Navigate to Non Research via the Main menu</u>. Navigating to Non-Research via the Apps menu brings you to the Manage Post Award Amendments search screen under *Non-Research*. Once you are in the module, use the navigation at the top of the screen to navigate to other screens.

Required Field						
Activity	IC *			Serial #	PD	/PI Last Name
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Include Expired S	egments 🔞					Search
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Award	12 Re Federal Agency \$	Project Start 🗢	Project End ≑	Budget Start ≑	Budget End ≑	Project Title \$
Award Number ^	Federal	Project	-	-	-	
Filter Table Award Number * H79SM020202 ··· H79SM080808 ···	Federal Agency ≑	Project Start \$	End \$	Start ‡	End ≑	Project Title \$

Figure 327: The Manage Post Awards Amendments: Search screen as seen by an SO

2. Select one of the options in the SAMHSA pane on the eRA Commons landing screen. Choosing an option in the SAMHSA pane brings you to the screen in Non-Research that matches the dropdown option you chose.



Figure 328: SAMHSA panel on eRA home screen, used to navigate directly to a specific screen of the Non Research module When an SO views the Non Research module, they see search criteria so they can search for particular awards. Pls do not see search criteria, but instead see a list of their own awards eligible for an amendment. Use the navigation at the top of the screen to navigate to continuations or supplements.

Initiating an Amendment (Principal Investigator)

A principal investigator (PI) can initiate an amendment from the *Manage Post Award Amendments: Search* screen of the Non Research module. In the Non Research module for amendments, PIs see only their own awards (those on which they are a PI) that are eligible for amendments. The PI can also initiate an amendment from the *Manage Post Award Amendments: View* screen.

NOTE: To see expired amendments, click the **Include Expired Segments** checkbox, which shows awards with project period end dates in the past.

About Initiating an Amendment

You can initiate a new amendment from either the *Manage Post Award Amendments: Search* screen or from the *Manage Post Award Amendments: View* screen. See the preceding procedure to learn how to access these screens.

The types of amendments you can request are:

- Budget Revision
- Carryover Request
- Change in scope
- Key Personnel
- Merger, Transfer, etc
- No Cost Extension
- Organization Change

Initiating an Amendment from the *Manage Post Award Amendments:* Search Screen

- 1. After logging into Commons, navigate to the Non Research module.
- 2. On the **Manage Post Award Amendments: Search** screen, click an award's threedot ellipsis menu and select one of the amendment types under **Initiate Application in ASSIST**.

Search Resu	ılts				
Filter Table	4 Results				
Award Number 🔺	Federal Agency ≑	Project Start ‡			
H79SM070707	••• SAMHSA	09/30/2024			
H79SM060606	View Amendments	D24			
H79SM080808	Initiate Application in ASSIST: ピ D2:4 Budget Revision				
H79SM090909	Carryover Request Change in Scope	D2:5			
	Key Personnel				
	Merger, Transfer, etc				
	No-Cost Extension Organization Change				

Figure 329: Three-dot ellipsis menu on the Manage Post Award Amendments: Search screen in the Non Research module

The ASSIST module opens. In ASSIST, fill out all required application data and submit as described by ASSIST online help.

Initiating an Amendment from the *Manage Post Award Amendments: View* Screen

- 1. After logging into Commons, navigate to the Non Research module.
- 2. On the **Manage Post Award Amendments: Search** screen, click an award's threedot ellipsis menu and select **View Amendments**.

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Award Number 📤	Federal Agency 🌩	Project Start ‡
H79SM070707	••• SAMHSA	09/30/2024
H79SM060606	View Amendme	ents D2.4
H79SM080808	Initiate Applicati Budget Revision	
H79SM090909	Carryover Requ Change in Scop	J.5
	Key Personnel	
	Merger, Transfe	er, etc
	No-Cost Extens	sion

The Manage Post Award Amendments: View screen appears.

3. Click the **Initiate Application in ASSIST** button, then select one of the amendment types: Budget Revision, Carryover Request, Change in scope, Key Personnel, Merger, Transfer, etc, No Cost Extension, or Organization Change.

Back to Search	Initiate Application in A	SSIST 🗹 👻
	Budget Revision	
r d Program (PCC) 23	Carryover Request Change in Scope Key Personnel	
	Merger, Transfer, etc No-Cost Extension Organization Change	>f1 ~ >

The ASSIST module opens. In ASSIST, fill out all required application data and submit as described by <u>ASSIST online help</u>.

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	Application Information 🥝		
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	Application Identifier: 2	28520	/
	Application Type: F	Post Award Amendment (Budget Revision)	
	Application Project Title:	Health Block Grants	
	PD/PI Name: V	Vatork, Victin	
	Organization: S	TATE DEPT/HEALTH CARE SVCS	
	Project Period: 1	0/17/2022 - 10/16/2024	
		Vork in Progress Submit Application	"Submit Application" is
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Figure 330: ASSIST screen showing the initial screen for creating a Budget Revision amendment

The application includes the main SF424 form as well as other forms that required based on the type of amendment selected. Each tab navigates to that form.

The *Application Information* screen in ASSIST shows the type of amendment, the PI and Institution information, etc. Also see help for the ASSIST module: <u>ASSIST online help</u>.

NOTE: It is important to check the SAM registration to be sure that the expiration date is *after* the submission date.

Initiating an Amendment (Signing Official)

NOTE: SAMHSA users who are business officials will be given the signing official (SO) role in eRA Commons.

Signing officials can search for all grants that are eligible to be amended within their institution. A signing official (SO) can initiate an amendment from the *Manage Post Award Amendments: Search* screen of the Non Research module. Pls see only their own awards (those on which they are a PI) that are eligible for amendments. The SO can also initiate an amendment from the *Manage Post Award Amendments: View* screen.

NOTE: To see expired amendments, click the **Include Expired Segments** checkbox, which shows awards with project period end dates in the past.

About Initiating an Amendment

You can initiate a new amendment from either the *Manage Post Award Amendments: Search* screen or from the *Manage Post Award Amendments: View* screen. See the preceding procedure to learn how to access these screens.

The types of amendments you can request are:

- Budget Revision
- Carryover Request
- Change in scope
- Key Personnel
- Merger, Transfer, etc
- No Cost Extension
- Organization Change

Initiating an Amendment from the *Manage Post Award Amendments:* Search Screen

- 1. After logging into Commons, navigate to the Non Research module.
- 2. Search for awards using the search criteria that appears to SOs.

Non-Research	Manage Post Award Amendments Manage Continuat	ions Manage Sup	plements	
	ost Award Amendments: Search	8		Only SOs see) search criteria;
* Required Field Activity	IC *	Serial #	PD/PI Last Name	Pls see their
ex: R01	×AE ×FG ×OA ×SM ×SP ×SU × ×TI	ex: 123456	Search	own listed amendments
Include Expired	All ICs are selected by default		Search	without searching.

Figure 331: Search criteria that appears for signing officials on the Manage Post Award Amendments screen

3. On the **Manage Post Award Amendments: Search** screen, click an award's threedot ellipsis menu and select one of the amendment types under **Initiate Application in ASSIST**.

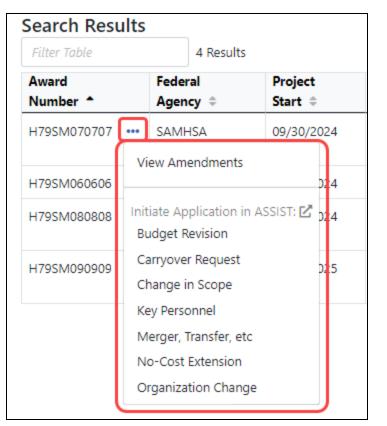


Figure 332: Three-dot ellipsis menu on the Manage Post Award Amendments: Search screen in the Non Research module

The ASSIST module opens. In ASSIST, fill out all required application data and submit as described by ASSIST online help.

Initiating an Amendment from the *Manage Post Award Amendments: View* Screen

- 1. After logging into Commons, navigate to the Non Research module.
- 2. On the **Manage Post Award Amendments: Search** screen, click an award's threedot ellipsis menu and select **View Amendments**.

Filter Table	4 Results	5
Award Number 📤	Federal Agency 🌲	Project Start ‡
H79SM070707	••• SAMHSA	09/30/2024
H79SM060606	View Amendments	D2:4
H79SM080808	Initiate Application i Budget Revision	n ASSIST: 🗹 🔉:4
179SM090909	Carryover Request Change in Scope	
	change in scope	
	Key Personnel	
		tc
	Key Personnel	tc

The Manage Post Award Amendments: View screen appears.

3. Click the **Initiate Application in ASSIST** button, then select one of the amendment types: Budget Revision, Carryover Request, Change in scope, Key Personnel, Merger, Transfer, etc, No Cost Extension, or Organization Change.

Back to Search	Initiate Application in ASSIST 🗹 🝷				
	Budget Revision				
rd Program (PCC)	Carryover Request				
ia Program (PCC)	Change in Scope				
23	Key Personnel				
	Merger, Transfer, etc				
	No-Cost Extension	of 1 v >			
	Organization Change				

The ASSIST module opens. In ASSIST, fill out all required application data and submit as described by <u>ASSIST online help</u>.

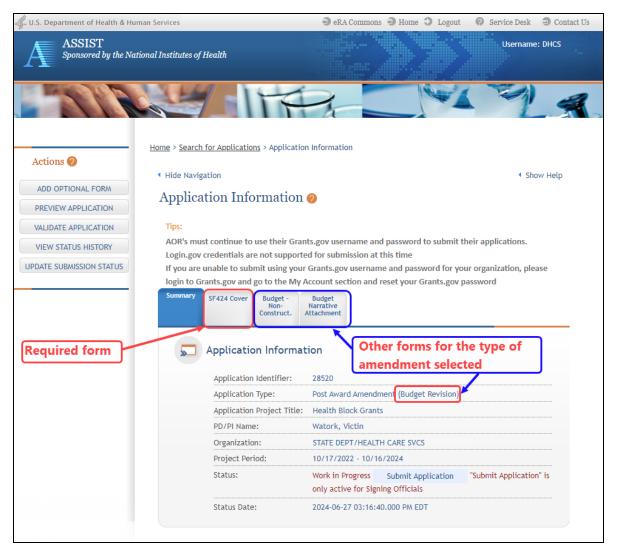


Figure 333: ASSIST screen showing the initial screen for creating a Budget Revision amendment

The application includes the main SF424 form as well as other forms that required based on the type of amendment selected. Each tab navigates to that form.

The *Application Information* screen in ASSIST shows the type of amendment, the PI and Institution information, etc. Also see help for the ASSIST module: <u>ASSIST online help</u>.

NOTE: It is important to check the SAM registration to be sure that the expiration date is *after* the submission date.

Viewing Non Research Amendments

You can view and manage post award amendments in the Non Research module of eRA Commons. To work with amendments, first log into eRA Commons with the PI or SO role. Awards that have had amendments submitted have a **View** action under the three-dot ellipsis menu.

NOTE: See <u>Post Award Amendment Applications</u> on the SAMHSA website for more information on amendments. (https://www.samhsa.gov/grants/grants-training-mater-ials/post-award-amendments)

Viewing Amendments for a Non-Research Award

To view an amendment for an award:

- 1. Access the Non Research module by clicking the Main menu/eRA menu
 - III (Cera

in upper left and selecting Non Research.

The Manage Post Award Amendments: Search screen appears.

SOs only: SOs must enter search criteria and click Search.
 SOs can add multiple ICs by selecting them one at a time from the IC dropdown.

NOTE: Pls see their non-research amendments listed by default and do not see search criteria.

3. Optionally mark the **Include Expired Segments** checkbox to see awards with project end dates that are in the past.

The screen shows results in a table. The three-dot ellipsis icon for each result shows available actions for the amendment.

	ost Award An	nendmen	ts: Search	0			Only SOs see search criteria;
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ex: R01	× AE × FG	×OA ×SM >	SP × SU ×	ex: 123456			own listed
	×TI						amendments
	All ICs are selecte	d by default		, 		Search	without
Include Expired	Segments 🔞						searching.
Search Resul	ts						searching.
Filter Table	4 Results					*	I of 1 ∨ >
Award Number 🔷	Federal Agency 🗢	Project Start ‡	Project End \$	Budget Start ‡	Budget End \$	Project Titl	e ‡
H79SM070707	SAMHSA	09/30/2024	08/31/2028	09/30/2024	09/29/2025	Community	Mental Health
	View Amendments						
H79SM060606		0214	09/29/2028	09/30/2024	09/29/2025	Families Inte	erventions
H79SM080808	Initiate Application in A Budget Revision	ASSIST: 🗹 д 4	08/30/2028	08/31/2024	08/30/2025	System of C	are
H79SM090909	Carryover Request Change in Scope	02:5	12/30/2029	01/01/2025	12/31/2025	Youth Crisis	Care
	Key Personnel						
	Merger, Transfer, etc						
	No-Cost Extension						
	Organization Change						

Figure 334: Amendments search screen showing three-dot action menu, including the View Amendments option

4. Select **View Amendments** from the three-dot ellipsis menu.

The *Manage Post Award Amendments: View* screen appears, listing all amendments associated with that particular award.

Vanage Post /iew 😮	t Award Ame	endments:				ck to I	nitiate Application in ASSIST
Application Information	tion						
Award Number H79SM080808	Organization UNIVERSITY			Project Period		ogram (PCC)	
Filter Table	2 Results					* E	1 of 1 v
Amendment Application # 🔺	Grants.gov Tracking # ≑	Budget Start ≑	Budget End ≑	Type 🌩	Submitted ≑	Status 🌻	Award # 💠
1H79SM080808- 01	GRANT1385505 3	01/27/2024	01/26/2025		04/10/2023		
	GRANT0080999	01/27/2024	01/26/2025	Key	02/23/2024	Awarded	1H79SM087997-01.

Figure 335: Manage Post Award Amendments: View screen

From the View screen, you can also click the linked **Amendment Application #** to view a PDF of the application.

You can also initiate a new amendment application in ASSIST; see:

Initiating an Amendment (Principal Investigator) on page 719

Initiating an Amendment (Signing Official) on page 724

About Award Numbers

vianage Post A	ward Amendm	ents: View 😯			Back to Search		tiate Application in ASSIST ピ
Application Information							
Award Number	Organization Nam	e	Project	Period	Award Program	1 (PCC)	
H79SM088277	UNIVERSITY OF DIE	EGO	01/27/2	2023 - 01/26/2025	AWARE-23		
Filter Table	2 Results	re Award Num	ber			1	I of 1 ▼
Amendment Application # 🔺	Grants.gov Tracking # ≑	Budget Start 🗘	Budget End 🗢	Type ≑	Submitted 🗘	Status ≑	Award # \$
	-	Budget Start \$	Budget End \$	Туре ≑	Submitted \$	Status \$	Award # \$

Please see these topics for more detail:

- Pl Initiate
- SO Initiate

Request for Additional Materials - RAM - for Non Research

Awards

After submitting an amendment application, the program official (PO) or grants management specialist (GMS) may ask for additional information to be submitted. This is done via a "Request for Additional Materials" (RAM). The principal investigator (PI) or signing official (SO) or their delegates can upload documentation in response to the request.

NOTE: If you are accessing this screen from an OTA award via the **Add Additional Materials** or **Edit Additional Materials** actions in Status, see *Additional Materials Requests* on page 564 for specific instructions for OTA awards.

To respond to a Request for Additional Materials for a non research amendment:

1. Access the Non Research module by clicking the Main menu/eRA menu

in upper left and selecting **Non Research**.

The Manage Post Award Amendments: Search screen appears.

2. If you are an SO, then enter search criteria and click **Search**.

NOTE: PIs automatically see eligible awards listed.

3. Click the three-dot ellipsis icon and select Submit RAM Response (RAM Request). .

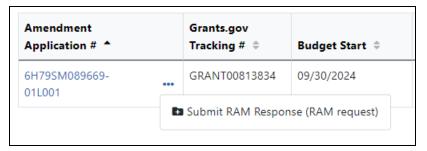


Figure 336: Three-dot ellipsis menu for a non research amendment, showing the Submit RAM Response option

The Post-Award Amendment Application Request for Additional Materials screen appears.

4. Access the Non Research module by clicking the Main menu/eRA menu

in upper left and selecting **Non Research**.

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Award Information	1	
Award Number 1H79SM080808-01 Amendment Type Change in Scope	PD/PI Name Bonim, Jenfer Org Name UNIVERSITY OF DIEGO	Budget Period 09/30/2024 - 09/29/2025 Project Period 09/30/2024 to 08/31/2028
Project Title Community Mental Health		
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ase provide Comments:		

Figure 337: Post-Award Amendment Application Request for Additional Materials (RAM) screen

- 5. Drag and drop file(s) in the "**Drop Files Here...**" area, or click the **browse** link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
 - Click the **Download** icon and the browser will open or download the file.
 - Click the **Delete** icon **I** to remove the file.
- 6. Add comments to be read by agency staff regarding your submission in the **Please Provide Comments** field.

- 7. Click **Save** to save the uploaded submission package but not submit it to the agency.
- 8. Click **Submit** to submit the submission package to the agency. (SO only. Pls do not see the **Submit** button.)

You can also click **Preview** to see a PDF consisting of upload details plus the contents of uploaded files.

About Request for Additional Materials (RAM)

- There can only be one active (i.e. non-submitted) RAM request at a time to which changes can be made by any authorized user. Once submitted, a new RAM is required for additional changes.
- There is no limit to the number of RAMs that the user can submit.
- Both PI and SO can edit the RAM.
- The system provides an audit trail of who uploaded the documents.
- You can click **Preview** to see a consolidated list of all documents uploaded for RAM submission, with the latest on top. The submission to the agency is one PDF with all documents combined.

TIP: Check all documents after uploading to ensure the correct ones have been submitted.

When the RAM is submitted, an email notification is sent to the government project Officer (GPO), grant technical assistant (GTA) and grants management specialist (GMS).

Click the **View Prior RAM** option under the three-dot ellipsis menu to view a consolidated PDF of all prior materials that were uploaded for a Request for Additional Materials (RAM). This option appears only if a prior RAM request was made and materials were uploaded.

Click the **Edit RAM** option under the three-dot ellipsis menu to open the RAM screen and upload requested materials. The **Edit RAM** option does not appear for awarded applications.

Submitting Reference Letters

IMPORTANT: If you are submitting a reference letter for an LRP applicant, see https://www.era.nih.gov/erahelp/LRP/#Ext_SubmitRef/SubmitRefOverview.htm instead of this topic.

If you are asked to submit a reference letter for someone (meaning you are a '**referee**'), you can do so using eRA Commons. Reference letters can be submitted any time after the Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is posted and no later than the submission deadline. Reference letters cannot be accepted through any means other than eRA Commons.

NOTE: Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) is referred to as opportunity number or notice number for short. It replaces the obsolete term of Funding Opportunity Announcement (FOA). See a list at <u>Find Grant Funding</u>. (https://-grants.nih.gov/funding/searchguide/index.html#/)

You do not need to log in to eRA Commons to submit a reference letter for an applicant. Although you - as the referee - do not need a Commons role to submit a reference letter, the candidate on whose behalf you are writing must have a valid Commons account and hold the principal investigator (PI) role. If your candidate has no Commons account or does not have the PI role, you receive an error when attempting to submit a letter.

The candidate's signing official (SO), accounts administrator (AA), or administrative official (AO) at the institution must assign the PI role to the candidate's Commons account.

What You Need Before Starting

Before you submit a reference letter, you need the following:

- Applicant's Commons User ID
- Applicant's last name as it appears on the Commons account
- Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) number, also referred to as opportunity number or notice number.

- Deadline for submitting (between the NOFO release date and application submission deadline). The applicant should provide you with the date by which the letter needs to be submitted.
- If replacing a previously-submitted letter, you need the confirmation number from the first submission; see *Replacing an Already-Submitted Reference Letter* on page 747.

Requirements for Letters

- No longer than two pages
- Not password-protected
- In flattened PDF format. The PDF should not be a fillable form PDF (it should be flattened; see https://www.era.nih.gov/faqs.htm#l6 for instructions)

NOTE: For Fellowship applications and Career Development programs a Letter of Reference form is no longer required. A letter written on university letterhead or similar is acceptable.

Submitting the Letter

To submit a reference letter, follow the steps below:

- 1. Access the <u>Commons login page</u>.
- 2. Click the Submit a Reference Letter link.

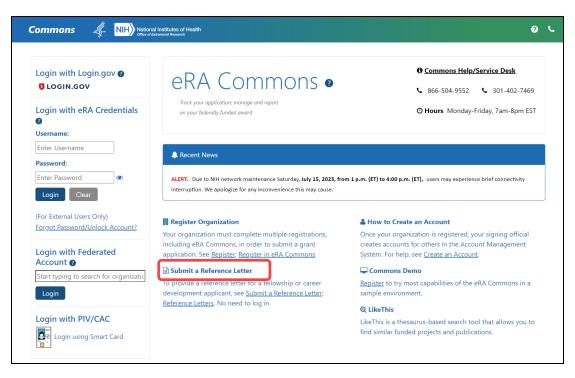


Figure 338: Submit Reference Letter Link

The Submit Reference Letter screen displays.

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the application.	ng Opportunity Number) must be correct or A/PAR use full number (PA-yy-xxx, PAR-yy-xx	
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Toth	Teresa	
Referee Email:*	Referee Institution/Affiliation: *	Referee Department: *
tot@nih.gov	NIH	Communications
Applicant Information		
PI Commons User ID: *	PI Last Name: *	Opportunity Number: *
CGLCGLCGL	Gassla	PAS-81-003
Reference Letter Confirmation # (if re- submitting):		
		Continue

Figure 339: Submit Reference Letter Screen

3. Fill out the fields on this page. Required fields are displayed with a red asterisk (*). *Referee* refers to the person who is filling out this form and providing a reference letter.

NOTE: If submitting a reference letter for the first time, ignore the **Reference Letter Confirmation #** field. If replacing a previously-submitted letter, enter the confirmation number for the letter you previously submitted here. See *Replacing an Already-Submitted Reference Letter* on page 747 for more details.

Non-Research Amendments,

4. Click the **Continue** button.

The next screen lets you upload your letter or form. The letter must be in flattened PDF format and should not exceed two pages.

Submit Reference Letter (continued) 🕜	
* Required Field	
Reference Letter File Upload: *	
Drop files here to upload, or <u>browse.</u> Max File Count: 1 Accepted File Types: PDF Max File Size: 6MB	
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Reference Letter Confirmation 😯				
✓ Success! Reference Letter Confirmation Number 596514				
Return to Commons Home				

For more information, refer to the tutorial titled <u>How to Submit a Reference Letter</u>.

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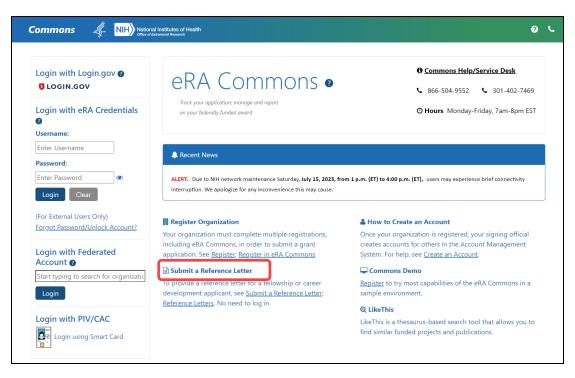


Figure 340: Submit Reference Letter Link

The Submit Reference Letter screen displays.

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the application.	ng Opportunity Number) must be correct or PA/PAR use full number (PA-yy-xxx, PAR-yy-x	
* Required Field		
Referee Information		
Referee Last Name: *	Referee First Name: *	Referee MI Name:
Toth	Teresa	
Referee Email: *	Referee Institution/Affiliation: *	Referee Department: *
tot@nih.gov	NIH	Communications
Applicant Information		
PI Commons User ID: *	PI Last Name: *	Opportunity Number: *
CGLCGLCGL	Gassla	PAS-81-003
Reference Letter Confirmation # (if re- submitting):		
		Continue

Figure 341: Submit Reference Letter Screen

3. Fill out the fields on this page. Required fields are displayed with a red asterisk (*). *Referee* refers to the person who is filling out this form and providing a reference letter.

NOTE: If submitting a reference letter for the first time, ignore the **Reference Letter Confirmation #** field. If replacing a previously-submitted letter, enter the confirmation number for the letter you previously submitted here. See *Replacing an Already-Submitted Reference Letter* on page 747 for more details.

4. Click the **Continue** button.

The next screen lets you upload your letter or form. The letter must be in flattened PDF format and should not exceed two pages.

Submit Reference Letter (continued) 😯	
* Required Field	
Reference Letter File Upload:*	
Drop files here to upload, or <u>browse</u> . Max File Count: 1 Accepted File Types: PDF Max File Size: 6MB	
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	Cancel Submit

- 5. Drag and drop file(s) in the "**Drop Files Here...**" area, or click the **browse** link and choose file(s) from your drive. The drop files area specifies how many files and what file types are allowed. For uploaded files, you can:
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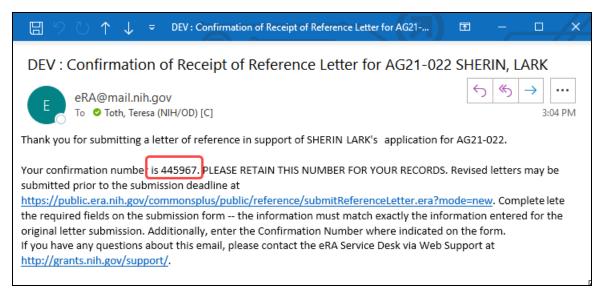
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✓ Success! Reference Letter Confirmation Number 596514				
Return to Commons Home				

For more information, refer to the tutorial titled How to Submit a Reference Letter.

Replacing an Already-Submitted Reference Letter

If you previously submitted a reference letter for a grant applicant, and you now want to replace that letter with an updated or corrected letter, you can do so as long as:

- The application deadline has not passed, and
- You know the confirmation number from the submission of the first letter you submitted. When you submitted the letter initially, you saw a screen and received an email, both of which contained the submission confirmation number. Following is an example of the email with confirmation letter:



For letter requirements, see *Requirements for Letters* on page 743.

To submit an updated letter, which will replace the previous letter, follow the steps in *Submitting Reference Letters* on page 742, making sure you enter all the same information for the applicant (last name, Commons ID, opportunity number) that you entered the first time you submitted. Additionally, you must enter the confirmation number that you received after your first submission in the **Reference Letter Confirmation #** field.

Reference Letter Confirmation # (if re- submitting):
596514

Finding Recent NoAs, Awards with RPPRs Due, or Awards Pending Closeout

This topic gives brief instructions on eRA Commons searches that signing officials might perform in order to monitor and track their organization's award activities and deliverables.

The searches described below require:

- That the user be logged into eRA Commons
- That the user must have the signing official (SO) role

NOTE: These "How-Tos" represent alternatives to the now-discontinued Quick Queries.

How to Find Awards Pending Closeout?

1. Go to the Status module.



Figure 342: Status option in Main menu

- 2. Select **Closeout** from the **Search Type** dropdown.
- 3. Select **Requires Closeout** from the **Closeout Status** dropdown.

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Search	Туре:	seout	~ 0		
Туре	Activity Code	IC/Institute	Serial #	Support Yr.	Suffix
ex: 5	ex: R01 🗸	ex: GM 🗸	ex: 123456	ex: 01	ex: A1
Project Num	Project Number			ce/IC 😯	
ex: NA24N	FX678G01 3-T1-0 (Mi	inimum 4 chara	Change Sele	ctions None	
PD/PI Last N	ame		PD/PI First Na	me	
ex: Smith			ex: John		
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🗹 Requi	res Final Invention S	tatement			
🗹 Requi	res FRAM			Clear Form	Q Search

Figure 343: Status module with Closeout Search Type and Requires Closeout in Closeout Status field

4. Click the **Search** button.

Search results appear. The **Requires Closeout** action is available under the three-dot ellipsis menu in search results.

Status Result - Closeout Search 😮								
Filter Table 218 Results								
Application/Award ID	¢	Proposal Title 🗘	PD/PI Name 🗘	Project Period End 👻				
5U24EB050505-05		Neuroscience Gateway.	Mdar, Atava	05/31/2024				
5R21HD020202-02	Re	quires Closeout under	Yimi, Weajum	05/31/2024				

Figure 344: Status search results showing Requires Closeout under the three-dot ellipsis menu

How to Find Annual Awards with Progress Reports Due?

1. Go to the RPPR module.

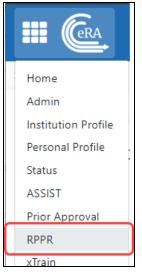


Figure 345: RPPR option showing in the eRA Commons Main menu

2. Select Not Started from the Status dropdown.

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Remember all files must be flattened PDF files for	successful submission. This ensures that PD	DFs cannot be edited following submission. [2 <mark>] Instructions for flattening PD</mark>
Award Number:	GS Number:	PD/PI Last Name:
Type Activity V IC V Serial# Year		ex: Smith
suffix		
Suffix Current Reviewer Last Name:	Status:	Awarding Office/IC 🕑

Figure 346: Manage RPPR screen with Not Started selected in the Status field

3. Click the **Search** button.

Search results appear in a table.

4. Click the **Due Date** column heading to sort by Due Date.

Applications/Awards 🕄							
Filter Table	590 Results			🕹 🛯	< 1 of 24 v >		
Award Number 🗘	PD/PI Name 🍦	Project Title 🌲	Due Date 👻	Status ≑	Current Reviewer ≑		
5P01AI168258-03	Paden, Morsen	Community Health	02/01/2028	Not Started			
5R01GM155732-02	Rosael, Miche	Health Explorations	07/01/2025	Not Started			
5R01GM151520-02	Pargars, Van	Science Training	07/01/2025	Not Started			

Figure 347: Search Results in RPPR module after searching for Not Started RPPRs and sorting by Due Date

5. View the **Due Date** column to find RPPRs with upcoming due dates.

How to Find Recently Issued Notice of Awards (NoAs)?

1. Go to the Status module.

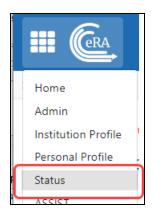


Figure 348: Status option in Main menu

- 2. Select Recently Awarded from the Search Type dropdown.
- 3. In **Days Since Awarded**, type a number of days prior to be searched for recently awarded NoAs. Example: If you enter 15, then search results show all NoAs awarded in the last 15 days.

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Search Type:		arch Type: Recently Awarded ~ ?			
Туре	Activity Code	IC/Institute	Serial #	Support Yr.	Suffix
ex: 5	ex: R01 🗸	ex: GM 🗸	ex: 123456	ex: 01	ex: A1
PD/PI Last N	lame		PD/PI First Nar	me	
ex: Smith			ex: John		
Days Since A	Awarded			Clear Form	Q Search

Figure 349: Status module with Recently Awarded Search Type

4. Click the **Search** button.

Search results appear in a table.

Status Result - Rece	ntly Awarded S	earch 😯							
Filter Table 48 Results							< 1 of	1 of 2 🗸 🔪	
Application/Award ID 💠	Grants.gov Tracking # ♀	Proposal Title 💠	PD/PI Name 🗘	Application Status 🗢	Project Period Start 🗸	Project Period End ≑	Budget Period Start ≑	Budget Period End ≑	
1AY1AX000005-01	EDE000000030	Health Explorations	Rese, Joe	Awarded. Non- fellowships only	01/01/2025	12/31/202 6	01/01/2025	12/31/202	
NI24DLPX020G0003-T1-01	GRANT00810378	Community Health	Lam, Adevy	Awarded. Non- fellowships only	01/01/2025	12/31/202 9	01/01/2025	12/31/202	

Figure 350: Status search results showing recently awarded Notices of Award

Shown are awards with a recently awarded Notices of Award.

Department of Commerce (DOC) Resources

Department of Commerce (DOC) is transitioning to use eRA system for award management. To help DOC grant applicants and grantees get started with using eRA, please see the following resources:

Department of Commerce (DOC) Training Materials

The following DOC webpage contains Webinar recordings, video tutorials, Powerpoint presentations, and business process guides for all aspects of the grant lifecycle in eRA systems.

<u>Applicant and Grantee Training</u> (https://www.commerce.gov/ocio/programs/gems/applicant-and-grantee-training)

The above webpage includes topics such as:

- Commons organization registration
- individual user registration
- user roles, login and password procedures
- Personal Profile
- application submission and tracking
- award acceptance
- post-award activities (reports, requests, correspondance, and terms and conditions)

Department of Commerce Help Topics

Accepting or Declining a DOC Award on page 508

Revision Requests for DOC Awards on page 511

Payment Request Overview on page 232

Closeout Status for DOC Awards on page 624