
eRA Commons Version 3.6.1.6

Release Notes

New Features

xTrain

Terminated Fellowships Display on Trainee Roster Page

When a Fellowship is being terminated, only the years for which the stipend amount is greater than \$0 and the status is *Awarded* or *Terminated* are displayed on the *Trainee Roster* page.

New Online Help for xTrain

A new online help feature exists for xTrain. Question mark (?) links for accessing this help feature appear on the following screens:

- *My Grants*
- *Trainee Roster*
- *Trainee Appointments and Terminations*
- *Statement of Training Appointment*
- *Termination Notice*
- *List of Grants*

Selecting the ? link opens content specific help for that page, with a table of contents and search feature for navigating to all other xTrain help topics. The xTrain online help can also be accessed at the following URL: <http://era.nih.gov/erahelp/xTrain>

Status

FFATA Indication Displayed on Status Screens

The Status module has been updated for Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) Reporting applications.

On the *Status* search screen, a new checkbox **Eligible for FFATA Reporting** has been added as a search parameter. Selecting this option returns matching applications eligible for FFATA.

The *Status Result – General Search* hitlist has been updated with a **FFATA** column used to indicate if the application is eligible to report as FFATA. This column displays one of the following:

- Yes
- Blank

The *Status Information* screen (accessed by selecting the application from the results) also includes a field for **Eligible for FFATA Report**. This field, located in the **Application Information** section of the screen, displays one of the following values:

- **Yes** – grant is FFATA –eligible (for NIH and AHRQ)
- **No** – grant is not FFATA-eligible (for NIH and AHRQ)
- **Not Set** – FFATA is applicable (OpDivs other than NIH and AHRQ)
- (blank) – Not determined

Fixes

Corrected the Due Dates for FFR Annual Reports

The due dates for FFR (Federal Financial Report) Annual Reports were calculating and displaying incorrectly on the *Financial Status Report Search* screen.

Resolution

This issue has been fixed.

Corrected PDF Upload Issue with JIT

Previously, some PDF files were not able to be uploaded successfully to JIT. No error or warning message displayed at the time of the upload; however, Adobe displayed a message upon viewing that a later version of PDF viewer was required to view the attachment.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved.

FWA Entries with Invalid Characters Can Be Deleted

Previously, if an SO entered an FWA number with invalid leading characters (e.g., spaces), the entry could not be corrected or deleted after saving.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved. The FWA number can be deleted.

Trainee's Previous Fellowship Displays as Prior Support

Previously, if a trainee with an appointment had a fellowship in the past, that fellowship was not displaying under prior support.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved. The previous fellowship of a trainee with an appointment now displays correctly under prior support.

Corrected Issue with xTrain Amended Dates

Previously, when a trainee was reappointed, and the previous appointment was amended, the reappointment recognized only the original dates of the previous appointment and not the amended dates. For this reason, xTrain considered the dates as overlapping and displayed an error message that the trainee could not be reappointed.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved. xTrain now recognizes the amended dates.

Corrected FFR Reporting Period End Dates

Previously, the **Reporting End Dates** on an FFR displayed differently on the PDF and on the screen.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved.

AA Role Given Ability to Delegate Progress Report and Delegate Sponsor

Previously, the Commons Account Administrator (AA) role did not have access to delegating Progress Report or Sponsor authority to users. The **Delegate Progress Report** and **Delegate Sponsor** links now display on the *My Delegates* page for AA users.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved. AA users can delegate Progress Report and Sponsor authorities.

Clarified Error Message when Attempting to Upload an Invalid File Type

Previously, when a file type other than PDF is uploaded in Commons, an unclear error message displayed.

Now when an invalid file type is uploaded, the following message displays: *Invalid File Extension*.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved.

RPPR Question G12 to Display as Not Applicable for Fellowships

The PDF and screen versions of the Research Performance Progress Report (RPPR) now display *Not Applicable* on question **G.12 F&A Costs for Fellowships**. Previously, this question was not appearing at all for Fellowships.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved. The question and *Not Applicable* are displayed on question G.12 for Fellowships.

Fixed the List of Participants in RPPR

Previously, PIs and MPIs without degrees attached to their profiles were not displaying in the **List of Participants** in the *Participants* page of the RPPR.

Resolution

This has been resolved.

Corrected the Sort Order of Publications in RPPR PDF

Publications in **Section C** of the RPPR form were not displaying in the correct order in the PDF version of the report. Publications should sort by date published followed by the author.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved. Publications now display correctly on the PDF version RPPR.

Email is Sent to PD/PI Delegate When an RPPR is Routed

When a current reviewer routes a RPPR to another reviewer, the PD/PI Delegate should receive the same email as the PD/PI. Previously, the PD/PI Delegate was not receiving these notifications.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved. The PD/PI and PD/PI Delegate receive email notification when an RPPR has been routed to the next reviewer.

RPPRs Created Both Electronically and by Paper Are No Longer Causing Duplicate Grants to Appear on eSNAP

Previously, if an RPPR for a grant was submitted both electronically and by paper, the *Manage eSNAP* screen displayed duplicates of the grant. Selecting the grant from the screen caused system errors to display.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved. Duplicates will no longer appear when the progress report is submitted both electronically and by paper.

Fixed the Order of Options in the FCOI Value Drop-down Box

The choices in the **Values** drop-down box in the **FCOI Information** section of the Financial Conflict of Interest form should display in numerical order. Previously, when adding more than one **Significant Financial Interest**, these values displayed out of order.

Resolution

This issue has been resolved. The selections in the **Value** drop-down box display in numerical order.