
Internet Assisted Review (IAR) Release Notes Version 2.22.1.5

New Features

Preliminary Overall/Impact Scores

The **Preliminary** field has been changed to **Preliminary Overall/Impact**. This reflects the updated terminology as Preliminary is an overall merit score sometimes referred to as the Impact score.

This change appears on the Submit Critique and Preliminary Score screen.

The screenshot shows the 'Submit Critique and Preliminary Score' screen. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links like Home, Admin, Institution Profile, etc. The main form area includes fields for Application ID, Title, PI Name, Reviewer Name, and a dropdown menu for 'Preliminary Overall/Impact' which is circled in red. To the right, there is a box titled 'IMPORTANT REMINDERS' listing various topics for review such as 'PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS FROM RESEARCH RISK', 'INCLUSION OF WOMEN PLAN', etc. At the bottom, there are 'Submit' and 'Reset' buttons.

Figure 1: Submit Critique and Preliminary Score Screen

Preliminary Summary Statement Printing

There has been an enhancement to printing the Preliminary Summary Statements (PSS) for Unassigned reviewers. With the April 2009 release of IAR, the SRO was given the option to allow Unassigned reviewers to submit scores (that is, Criterion and Preliminary Overall scores) without submitting a critique.

In this case, when Unassigned reviewers only submitted scores, IAR ignored the scores. Now the scores will appear as one of the last critiques on the PSS.

The Critique # heading, critiques, and scores will appear whether or not Assigned reviewers submitted scores and a critique.

Double-Clicking Disabled

Previously on the Submit Critique and Preliminary Scores screen, users had the ability to double-click the **Submit** and **Confirm** buttons. When this happened, the submission was processed with errors.

Now only a single click is allowed with these buttons.

Reviewers Cannot View All Scores

For purposes of confidentiality, reviewers can no longer access the **View All Scores** link on the List of All Applications screen.

View All Scores is still available for NCAAs and SRO/ESAs.

Pre-Meeting Conflict of Interest Form

The Pre-Meeting COI Form Page 1 has received two enhancements:

The following line:

- Check only one (and provide any comments or explanations on reverse side)

Has been changed to:

- Check only one

Also, the date that the form was last updated has been changed to match the June 2009 IAR release:

- NIH/OER/OEP (6/25/2009)

NIH/OER/OEP (6/25/2009)

DHHS PRE-REVIEW CERTIFICATION FORM
REGARDING CONFLICT OF INTEREST, CONFIDENTIALITY, AND NON-DISCLOSURE FOR REVIEWERS OF GRANT
APPLICATIONS AND R&D CONTRACT PROPOSALS

Name [Last, First]: Doe, John ON M
(Please print)

Address: ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SCIENCES
UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA SCHOOL OF
PUBLIC HEALTH
BIRMINGHAM, AL 35294

Other Employers (if applicable): _____

Scientific Review Group: AA-1 1

Date(s) of review: June 08, 2009 - June 09, 2009

Check only one:

I have read the attached "DHHS Conflict of Interest, Confidentiality, and Non-Disclosure Rules and Information for Reviewers" and have examined the list of applications/proposals to be reviewed, and hereby certify that, based on the information provided to me, I do not have a conflict of interest in any of them.

OR

For grant application reviews only: I have read the attached "DHHS Conflict of Interest, Confidentiality, and Non-Disclosure Rules and Information for Reviewers" and examined the list of applications to be reviewed and hereby certify that, based on the information provided, I have a conflict of interest in the specific applications listed below and hereby recuse myself from their review.

OR

For contract proposal reviews only: I have read the attached "DHHS Conflict of Interest, Confidentiality, and Non-Disclosure Rules and Information for Reviewers" and examined the list of proposals to be reviewed and hereby certify that based on the information provided, I have a conflict of interest in the specific proposals listed below and hereby recuse myself from their reviews (requires a waiver to participate in review meeting).

I am in conflict with the following applications/proposals (identify applications by number and identify proposals by name of offeror)

Figure 2: COI Form Page 1 (Partial)

Fixes

Reset Button Not Working after Cancel

Previously on the Submit Critique and Preliminary Score screen, there was a case where the Reset button would not work.

After selecting the **Submit** button and then selecting **Cancel** (see Figure 3), when you selected the **Reset** button, IAR did not restore data that was previously stored (see Figure 4).

Now the Reset button has been fixed to work in this case.

The screenshot shows the 'Submit Critique and Preliminary Score' page in the eRA Commons system. The page includes a navigation menu with links like Home, Admin, Institution Profile, Personal Profile, Status, eSNAP, FSR, Internet Assisted Review, xTrain, Links, eRA Partners, and Help. A prominent 'Submit Critique and Preliminary Score' button is visible. Below the navigation, an important note states: 'Important Note: Your critique and/or score are not saved until you press Confirm below. Please verify the following data and press Confirm to save your information (critique and/or score). Otherwise, press Cancel.' The form contains several fields: Application (1 R21 AA 00000 01), Title (Accluturation and alcohol use disorders in Arab Americans), PI Name (Doe, John), Assignment Role (Pri 2), and a 'Select score from the drop-down list' section with categories like Significance, Investigator(s) (6), Innovation, Approach, and Environment. A 'Preliminary Overall/Impact' section is also present. At the bottom of the form, there are 'Confirm' and 'Cancel' buttons, with the 'Cancel' button circled in red. The footer contains contact information for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Department of Health and Human Services, along with a copyright notice for 2009 NIH and the Grants.gov logo.

Figure 3: Cancel Button on Submit Critique and Preliminary Score

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Submit Critique and Preliminary Score

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1. Save your critiques as MS Word or plain text documents. (Only MS Word or Text documents can be submitted; MAC USERS TAKE NOTE - files must have an extension of *.doc, *.docx or *.txt)
2. To submit a critique, simply press the browse button to locate the critique file or type the critique path and file name in the text box below (for example, if you saved your critique as *critff.doc* on c: drive - type c:\oriff.doc).
3. If applicable, enter the numeric score
4. Click Submit button.
5. To update a critique, click Confirm button.
6. To remove critique use Delete Option available on the List of Applications.

Application: 1 R21 AA 00000 01
 Title: Accluturation and alcohol use disorders in Arab Americans
 PI Name: Doe, John
 Assignment Role: Pri 2
 Select score from the drop-down list:
 Significance: [v]
 Investigator(s): 6 [v]
 Innovation: [v]
 Approach: [v]
 Environment: [v]
 Preliminary Overall/Impact: [v]
 Critique File: [text box]
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 Please close the critique file on your computer before submitting.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

Please be sure that your review has included, in separate sections, discussion of the following topics, when applicable*:

PROTECTION OF HUMAN SUBJECTS FROM RESEARCH RISK:
INCLUSION OF WOMEN PLAN:
INCLUSION OF MINORITIES PLAN:
INCLUSION OF CHILDREN PLAN:
VERTEBRATE ANIMALS:
BIOHAZARD:
FOREIGN INSTITUTION:
 (e.g., Scientific advantages, any special or unique attributes, and necessity for the proposed work to be done in a foreign country.)
FOREIGN TRAINING:
 (e.g., Scientific advantages of the proposed training in a foreign country. Include for [Fellowship](#) applications)
MODEL ORGANISM SHARING PLAN:
 (Evaluate if, e.g., a new knockout is to be produced.)
DATA SHARING PLAN:
 (For any application > \$500,000, or as specified in RFA.)
BUDGET:
BUDGETARY OVERLAP:
 (e.g., There is potential overlap with other existing grants and/or pending applications.)

* NOTE - This list is not all inclusive. Please see the review guidelines for the specific type of application you are reviewing, and look for guidance from your SRA.

Figure 4: Reset Button on Submit Critique and Preliminary Score

Pioneer Meetings Top 4 Designation Error

Previously there was a case where the user could not designate a Top 4 application. In Pioneer Meetings that did not contain any DP3 applications, following these steps would result in an error:

1. Designate the top 4 applications.
2. Delete an assignment for one of the designated applications while it is being designated.
3. Select **Designate** for another application.

The user would receive the following error message (see Figure 5):

- You have already designated 4 applications in the Top 4 Category. Please clear one Top 4 designation from existing application(s) to designate this application as Top 4.

Previously in order to designate another application, the SRO had to re-assign the deleted application to the same reviewer and clear the designation.

Now IAR will recognize the correct number of Top 4 designations even after an assignment is removed.

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List of Applications

Error Message
 You have already designated 4 applications in the Top 4 Category. Please clear one Top 4 designation from existing application(s) to designate this application as Top 4. (ID: 19294)

Meeting Title: Center for Scientific Review Special Emphasis Panel
Meeting Identifier: 2009/10 ZRG1 BST-A (12) X
Reviewer Name: John Doe , Mark

Meeting Dates: 07/23/2009-07/23/2009
Reviews Due: 02/25/2009 07:00 PM
 Eastern Standard Time / Eastern Daylight Time

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Top 4	Action	Application [Latest eAdditions Date]	Investigator	Title	Scores				Ideal Candidate	Action
					1	2	3	4		
Top 4	Clear	1 DP1 CA 00000 31	John Doe COB	DP1-CA-00-201-TST-00000 RFA2-M1	2	3	3	5		Submit/Edit Delete
	Designate	1 DP1 CA 00000 31	John Doe COB	DP1-CA-00-201-TST1 00000 RFA2-M2	1	1	5	1		Submit/Edit Delete
Top 4	Clear	1 DP1 CA 00000 31/4/4	John Doe COB	Test Subproject						Submit/Edit
	Designate	1 DP2 CA 00000 31	John Doe	DP2-PA00-902-TST-00000 E2E02	4	3	5	1		Submit/Edit Delete
Top 4	Clear	1 DP2 CA 00000 11/17068	DOE, JOHN [Parent PI: John Doe]	Testing						Submit/Edit

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Figure 5: Top 4 Designation Error

Default Scores for DP3 Applications

Previously in a Pioneer Meeting, default scores for a DP3 application were set to 1.

Now the default scores for DP3 applications are set to 9, which represent the poorest score.

Instructions on Submit Critique and Preliminary Scores Screen

For meetings prior to the 2009/10 council round, there were incorrect instructions on the Submit Critique and Preliminary Scores screen.

The following instructions were displayed (see Figure 6):

- Select score from the drop-down list

These instructions were incorrect because users entered the scores in a text box using the keyboard.

Now these instructions have been removed for meetings prior to the 2009/10 council round.

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3. If applicable, enter the numeric score or choose a non-numeric option (NR - Not Recommended, UN/NC - Unscored/Non-Competitive, or DF - Deferred).
4. Click Submit button.
5. To update a critique, click Confirm button.
6. To remove critique use Delete Option available on the List of Applications.

Application: 1 R03 A0 00000 01A1
 Title: Epidemiology of Hypertension and Obesity in Older Mexican Americans
 PI Name: John Doe
 Assignment Role: Pri 1

Select score from the drop-down list.

Critique File:

Preliminary Score (1.0 to 5.0): NR UN/NC DF

Please close the critique file on your computer before submitting.

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Figure 6: Incorrect Instructions on Submit Critique and Preliminary Scores Screen

Sorting Reviewer Voter Sheets

Previously when you sorted by Order of Review, the reviewer Voter Sheet was displayed as a blank screen with no data.

Now this has been fixed so the screen displays correctly (see Figure 7).

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Voter Sheet

Meeting Title: Drug Discovery and Mechanisms of Antimicrobial Resistance Study Section
 Meeting Identifier: 2009/10 DDR
 Meeting Phase: READ
 Final Score Entry: OPEN

Meeting Dates: 09/05/2009-09/06/2009
 Critiques Due: 05/29/2009 08:00 AM
 Final Score Entry Duration: 03/05/2009 08:00 AM to 09/06/2009 03:00 PM
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Reviewer Name: Doe, John

Rev Order	Application Number Act/IC:Serial/ IC:Serial/	PI Name (Conflicts) [Parent Application PI] Activity/PI Name PI Name	Assignment Role	Criterion Scores					Final Score (1 to 9), ND, NR, DF, NP, AB, CF	Action
				1	2	3	4	5		
1	1.R01.A1.00000.01	John.Doe D.H.	Unassigned	2	1	1	2	1		Save All
2	1.R01.A1.00000.01	John.Doe	Unassigned							Save All
3	1.R21.A1.00000.01	John.Doe #	Unassigned							Save All
4	1.R01.A1.00000.01	John.Doe DITEE	Unassigned							Save All
5	1.R01.A1.00000.01	John.Doe MNS	Unassigned							Save All
6	1.R01.A1.00000.01	John.Doe	Unassigned							Save All
7	1.R01.A1.00000.01	John.Doe K.H	Unassigned							Save All
8	1.R01.A1.00000.01	John.Doe J.P. [C]	Pri 1	1	1	1	3	3		Save All

Figure 7: Voter Sheet

Submit, Delete, and Unassigned Reviewers during Edit Phase

Previously on the Submit Critique and Preliminary Score screen, there were cases where the **Submit** and **Delete** links and Unassigned reviewers would not appear correctly during the Edit Phase.

Now these have been fixed so that the Submit and Delete links appear correctly, as well as the Unassigned reviewers.