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1 OSP TRAINING

Registrations are open for the following Zoom classes (*VPN required*):

- January 26, 27, 28: [IRES Proposal Development \(PD\)](#)
- February 8: [Research Compliance Principles for Administrators](#)
- March 22, 23, 24, 25: [Introduction to Sponsored Projects Administration](#)

2 ERA WILL REQUIRE THE USE OF LOGIN.GOV TO ACCESS ERA COMMONS, ASSIST, IAR AND COMMONS MOBILE IN 2021

Posted on December 15, 2020 by NIH Staff

Users will be required to use two-factor authentication (2FA) through login.gov to access eRA Commons, ASSIST, Internet Assisted Review (IAR), and Commons Mobile by September 15, 2021. This secure 2FA allows users to log in to four different grants systems (eRA, Grants.gov, GrantSolutions.gov and Payment Management System) using the same login.gov credentials.

NIH first shared information about [eRA initiating the use of 2FA](#) as part of HHS' Reinvent Grants Management Initiative in April 2020.

eRA is first phasing in the requirement for reviewers using IAR. The new requirement started being phased on December 14, 2020, for reviewers, meeting by meeting, effective for review meetings February 1, 2021 and beyond. As reviewers are enabled for meetings, their accounts will be transitioned to require login.gov to access IAR.

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All users of eRA Commons, ASSIST, IAR and Commons Mobile are encouraged to switch to 2FA through login.gov now, before the mandatory deadline of September 2021. For more information on making 2FA a requirement, please see [Guide Notice NOT-OD-21-040](#) and the [How-to-flyer](#).

3 ERA REMINDER: NEW ERA COMMONS LOGIN AND LANDING SCREENS COMING JANUARY 12

Posted on January 7, 2021 by NIH Staff

The new eRA Commons home screen (log-in screen) and landing screen (screen when first logged in) will be available on Tuesday, January 12, 2021. Remember that as part of the new design, once authenticated, you will be able to navigate to various eRA modules within Commons via the apps icon in the upper left corner. Clicking the icon will present a dropdown menu of the eRA modules (see Figure 1). Buttons to get to Status, ASSIST, Personal Profile and Account Management (Admin) will be available on the landing screen itself.

Both the login screen and the landing screen provide resources and information that are easily identifiable and centrally located on the screens.

The modernized screens provide a simpler interface that reflect user feedback and come with enhanced security and stability for the Commons module.

Resources

- Guide Notice [NOT-OD-21-028](#)
- Demonstration Video: [New eRA Commons Login and Landing Screens](#)
- [Take a Sneak Peek: Redesigned eRA Commons Home Screen Coming in 2021](#) webpage
- [Twitter Video](#)
- News articles posted on [December 3](#), and [December 18](#), 2020.

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