

NewsFlash!

Announcement: That National Institutes of Health (NIH) has [announced](#) that the Final Research Performance Progress Report (F-RPPR) will replace the Final Progress Report (FPR) for grants closeout, effective **January 1, 2017**. The F-RPPR will be available for use in eRA Commons on January 1, 2017.

What This Means for You

If you have a final progress report due, and you wish to use the old FPR format of an uploaded document, you must submit the FPR *before* January 1, 2017. NIH will no longer accept any of the old format FPRs on or after January 1, 2017.

Who Submits the RPPR?

Your [DCG Officer](#) should always be identified as the designated Signing Official on the Final RPPR.

*If you have your DCG Officer submit the Final RPPR, DCG will automatically receive and process the Final Report in Quali Coeus and update the award status in the system.

*If the PI prefers to submit the Final RPPR directly, then he/she will need to send a confirmation that the report has been submitted to the USC Awards [Email](#) to ensure timely closeout of the Award in KC.

The Format

The format of the Final RPPR is very similar to that of the annual RPPR. The notable differences being the F-RPPR does not have sections D (Participants), F (Changes), and H (Budget). The F-RPPR does have a new section: Section I (Outcomes). Project Outcomes (Section I) will be made publicly available, allowing recipients the opportunity to provide the general public with a concise summary of the public significance of the research.

The screenshot shows the 'A. Cover Page' form in the eRA Commons system. The form is divided into several sections:

- Grant Information:** Grant Number: 5P30CA123456-08; Project Title: Health Risks Due to Exposure to the Nexus Energy Ribbon.
- A.1 Program Director/Principal Investigator (PD/PI) Information:** Name: TROI, ANNA D; E-mail: eRATest@mail.nih.gov; Phone: (301) 555-1212.
- A.1.a:** Is there a change of contact PD/PI on a multiple-PI award? (Radio buttons for N/A, Yes, No). If yes, provide the eRA Commons ID of the new contact PD/PI.
- A.1.b:** Not Applicable.
- A.2 Signing Official Information:** Name, E-mail, and Phone fields.
- A.3 Administrative Official Information:** Name, E-mail, and Phone fields.
- A.4 Recipient Organization Information:** Organization Name: STARFLEET ACADEMY, MEDICAL RESEARCH; Address: STARFLEET ACADEMY, MEDICAL RESEARCH, 1 WARR SPEED DRIVE, SAN FRANCISCO CA 94158; DUNS: 987654321; EIN: 1234567890A1; Recipient ID field.
- Project/Grant Period:** Start Date: 08/08/2008; End Date: 07/31/2016.
- Reporting Period:** Start Date: 08/01/2014; End Date: 07/31/2015.
- Requested Budget Period:** Start Date: 08/01/2015; End Date: 07/31/2016; Report Frequency: Annual; Other Frequency field.

The form includes 'Save' and 'Cancel' buttons at the top and bottom. The breadcrumb trail at the bottom reads: A Cover Page | B Accomplishments | C Products | E Impact | G Special Reporting Req | I Outcomes.

Deadline Remains Unchanged

The deadlines for submitting a Final RPPR remain the same – no later than **120 days** from the project end date.

The Effect on Delegation to Submit RPPR

NIH will maintain the business rule that allows the Signing Official (SO) to delegate the submission of the Final RPPR or Interim-RPPR to a Program Director/Principal Investigator (PD/PI).

More Information

For more information, see [Guide Notice NOT-OD-17-022](#) or visit the [NIH RPPR web page](#).