



## ADOBE-FORMS-B Form Update Summary

Application packages with the Competition ID of “ADOBE-FORMS-B” will include form changes resulting from:

- Three-year OMB renewal of PHS 398 form set
- Three-year OMB renewal of SF424 (R&R) form set
- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act (FFATA) reporting requirements
- NIH Enhancing Peer Review initiative

## Summary of Form Updates

### Global Changes:

- Change County to “County/Parish” in all address fields of federal-wide forms
- Help Tip text updates

### SF424 (R&R) Cover Changes

- Federal Identifier (Block 4) will have two components:
  - Field A will be the existing Federal Identifier
  - Field B will be a new Agency Routing Identifier
- Areas Affected by the Project (Block 12) will be deleted.
  - Blocks 13-20 will be renumbered accordingly
- Congressional Districts (Block 14)
  - Delete Congressional District of the Project (will be collected on Project/Performance Site form)
  - Field will be renamed Congressional District of the Applicant
- Estimated Project Funding (Block 16)
  - 16.a. Rename total Federal Funding Requested
  - Add new 16.b. Total Non-Federal Funds
  - 16.c. will become Total Federal & Non-Federal Funds
  - 16.d. will become Program Income
- Certification (Block 18) will provide the capability to upload the SF LLL or other Explanatory Documentation
- Project Congressional District Upload capability (Block 21) will be deleted (will be collected on the Project/Performance Site location form)

### Project/Performance Site Location

- “Research & Related” will be removed from the form title (will be used with all Grants.gov form families)
- New field will be added for DUNS Number
- New field will be added for Project/Performance Site Congressional District
- Only data for the primary performance site location is required
- Functionality for adding more than 8 sites has been modified. No longer a file upload; the applicant will simply keep selecting the “Next Site” button.

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# eRA Commons Adobe-Forms-B Summary

## **Research & Related Other Project Information Form**

- Human Subjects Involvement:
  - Questions will be reordered for improved clarity
  - New question will be added:
    - Is the Project Exempt from Federal Regulations? Y/N
- Historic Places:
  - New required question added:
    - 1) Is the research performance site designated, or eligible to be designated, as a historic place? Y/N
    - 2) If yes, please explain (Includes text entry box)

## **Research & Related Senior/Key Person Profile (Expanded)**

- Add new data fields:
  - Degree Type (Text entry, Optional field)
  - Degree Year (Text entry, Optional field)
- Project Role List of Values
  - Add two new Values:
    - 1) Postdoctoral Scholar, Co-Investigator

## **PHS 398 Research Plan**

- Background and Significance, Preliminary Studies/Progress Report and Research Design and Methods attachments will be combined into one Research Strategy attachment

## **Cover Page Supplement**

- New Investigator question will be removed (eligibility will be system calculated based on eRA Commons profile information)

## **PHS 398 Career Development Award Supplemental form**

- Background and Significance, Preliminary Studies/Progress Report and Research Design and Methods attachments will be combined into one Research Strategy attachment

## **PHS Fellowship Supplemental form**

- Background and Significance, Preliminary Studies/Progress Report and Research Design and Methods attachments will be combined into one Research Strategy attachment
- Graduate Degree Earned field will be removed (will be collected on SF424 R&R Senior/Key form)
- Field of Training (FOT) values in form dropdown menu will be updated