eRA Commons Version 3.15.0.3 Release Notes

New Features

Accounts Management

Improved Process for Assignment of BioMedical Workforce Roles

The process for assigning BioMedical Workforce (BMW) roles to users with existing profiles has been improved. When BMW roles are added to the users' account, an email is sent to those users with a link opening the *Verify NIH Support* page. From this page, they can enter support and complete the process for account registration. This is the same process for creating and verifying Commons accounts.

FCOI

New Email Notification When Annual FCOI is Due on Grant with NCE

A reminder email notification is sent to the Financial Conflict of Interest (FCOI) manager as a reminder that the submission of an annual FCOI report is required for grants with project periods extended via the Commons No-cost Extension (NCE) process. This reminder is only sent when a FCOI was identified during the current competitive segment.

The FCOI Manager, assigned Grants Management Specialist, and assigned Program Manager are copied on the email.

FFR

Hurricane Sandy Grants Manageable in FFR Module

The Federal Financial Report (FFR) module has been modified to easily identify NIH Hurricane Sandy Recovery Awards from the FFR search results. The hitlist on the *Federal Financial Report/Financial Status Report Search Result* screen includes a new column titled **SANDY**, which displays the word *Yes* for any grant that is a NIH Hurricane Sandy Recovery Award. The column is blank for non-Sandy grants. Users may now closeout SANDY funded grants using Commons.

RPPR

Updated Inclusion Enrollment Reporting Instructions

The Inclusion Enrollment reporting instructions displayed within the **Inclusion Enrollment Report** block of question **G.4.b** of the RPPR have been updated. The new instructions for use of the updated inclusion enrollment format now read as follows:

Awards with start dates ON/AFTER October 1, 2014 must use the updated enrollment format.

xTrain

IC Central Mailbox Added to Notification List for Fellowship Termination Notice Reminders

The Institute/Center (IC) Central mailbox is now copied on email notifications sent to the Fellow for the following reminders:

- 30 days before the fellowship end date and no Termination Notice has been received

- Fellowship end date has passed and no Termination Notice has been received

- Fellowship end date was over 30 days ago and no Termination has been received