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Changes to the NIH eRA Commons Log-in and Landing Screens

eRA Commons, an online interface where grant applicants, recipients, reviewers and federal staff at NIH and other eRA partner agencies can access and share administrative information related to applications and awards, has had two of its main screens redesigned and launched as of January 12, 2021.
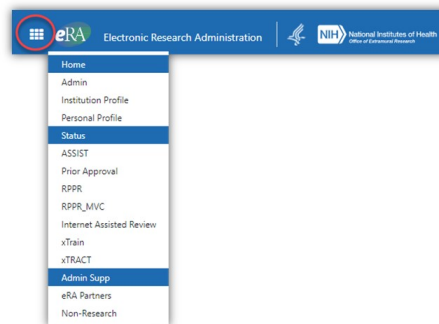
The modernized home screen (log-in screen) and the landing screen (screen once logged in) provide a simpler interface that reflects user feedback. The new look will also come with enhanced security and stability for the eRA Commons module.

Key features of the log-in screen:

- Key information will be front and center – eRA Service Desk contact info, links to register an organization, how to create an account, how to submit a reference letter and to learn more about how to use eRA systems.
- Easy access to 'quick queries'; the queries help users figure out if their organization is already registered in Commons, which grants are pending closeout and more.
- System updates will be provided in the Recent News section.

Key features of the landing screen:

- A significant improvement will be that once logged in, easy access to other eRA modules within eRA Commons will be through a 9-square apps menu at the top left of the screen. Clicking the icon will present a dropdown menu to navigate to other eRA modules (see picture below).
- Gone are the days of cluttered navigation bars. After login, prominent buttons for the frequently used modules, Status, ASSIST, Personal Profile, and Account Management, will get you to where you want to go quickly.
- Large buttons under "Learn How to Use eRA Systems" provide access to eRA informational webpages for applicants, grantees, and reviewers.

Resources
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Demonstration Video: New eRA Commons Login and Landing Screens