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NIH has added new FAQs, new COVID-19 funding opportunities and a new COVID-19 Portfolio Tool to the COVID-19 resources [webpage](#).

Virtual Peer Review Security

NIH is using a FedRAMP-certified version of Zoom that meets the requirements for handling sensitive information during virtual peer review sessions. You can read more about this security measure [here](#).

Support Resources

The Office of Intramural Training & Education is providing several resources to support extramural scientists, post docs, and students as we navigate the coronavirus outbreak. Visit the [OITE website](#) and keep an eye out for the recently recorded webinar on [Supporting Yourself and Your Trainees](#) as well as weekly virtual workshops. Check the OITE website for updates or follow [@NIH_OITE](#) on Twitter.

eRA MODULES TWO-FACTOR AUTHENTICATION

Two-factor authentication is now available via login.gov to access eRA Commons, Commons Mobile, ASSIST, and IAR. Use of login.gov is currently optional for most of the research community. Setting up the two-factor authentication takes only a few minutes.

NIH FORMS-F

As a reminder, NIH is transitioning to using FORMS-F for grant applications with due dates on or after May 25, 2020. **Parent FOA's will be reissued** under a new opportunity number with updated text and inclusion of FORMS-F instructions. Applications planned for submission for Cycle II under a parent announcement will be affected by the reissued FOA's (e.g. new R01's due June 5th).

A [summary of changes](#) is available, as well as the [annotated forms](#). The majority of changes in FORMS-F are on the PHS Human Subjects and Clinical Trials Information form.

As always, HCRS will assist you with preparing your proposal to meet the new proposal requirements.

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