

What's New in RAS

August 2024 Release Notes

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From the RAS Team

We would like to thank you everyone for their continued feedback on RAS.

All videos, FAQs and training documentation will be updated on the [RAS Webpage](#) once this new version is released.

If you have any questions regarding this release or would like to provide further feedback on future enhancements to RAS, please email us at RAS_Support@umanitoba.ca.

Release Notes

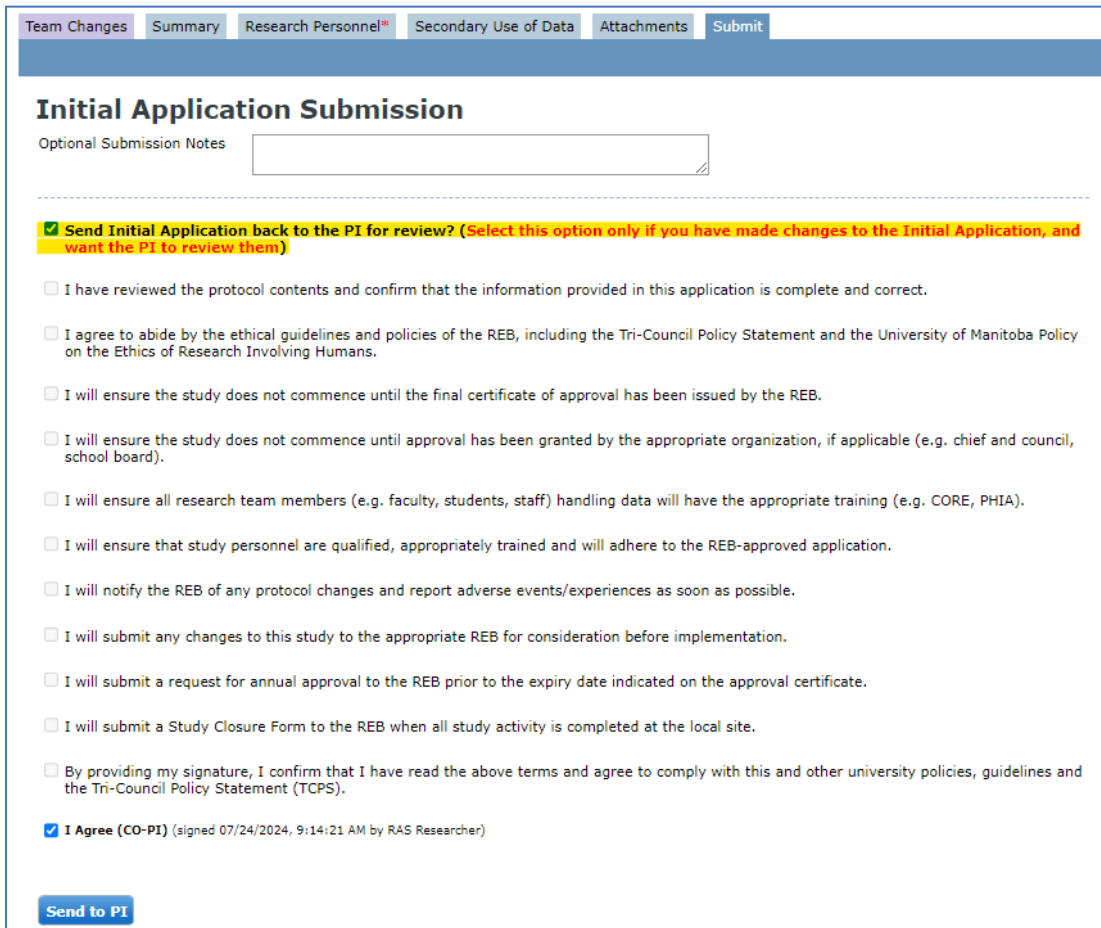
Team Collaboration

The Reassign function has been updated. Any application or follow-on submission can now be reassigned to anyone on that protocol with Edit Access or Signature Authority, including the PI, Co-PI and Advisor. Once reassigned that user will then submit their changes back to the PI for review or they can reassign to another research team member.

General Interface Updates

Human Ethics Office (HEO) has been updated to Office of Human Research Ethics (OHRE) throughout the system.

Moved the “Send back to PI” checkbox in the Submit tab to the top of the page. When checked it will grey out all the declarations then the user can submit the form back to the PI.



The screenshot shows the 'Initial Application Submission' form in the 'Submit' tab. At the top, there are navigation tabs: Team Changes, Summary, Research Personnel*, Secondary Use of Data, Attachments, and Submit. Below the tabs is a blue header with the title 'Initial Application Submission'. Underneath is a text box for 'Optional Submission Notes'. A dashed line separates this from the main content. A yellow highlighted box contains the text: 'Send Initial Application back to the PI for review? (Select this option only if you have made changes to the Initial Application, and want the PI to review them)'. Below this is a list of 13 checkboxes, each followed by a declaration statement. The first checkbox is checked, and the text 'I Agree (CO-PI) (signed 07/24/2024, 9:14:21 AM by RAS Researcher)' is displayed below it. At the bottom left, there is a blue button labeled 'Send to PI'.

Email Changes

All email templates have been updated for clarity.

Form & Approval Letter Updates

Initial application questions have been updated.

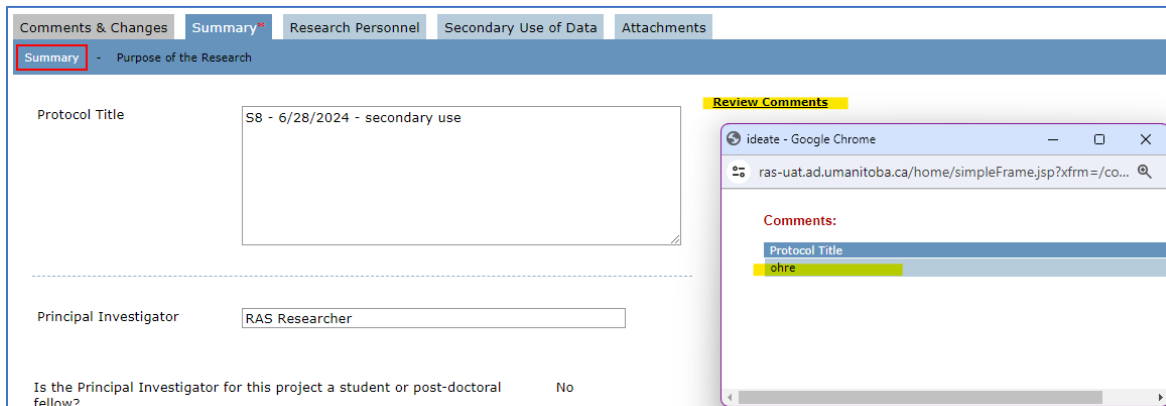
Approval letters have been updated.

Other New Updates

Ability to view comments from the REB in a PDF document. Available under the LEM > Details > View. Click on the Comments link and a PDF of all comments back from the REB will be available for all research team members.

Submission Type: Initial Application							
Protocol: HE2024-0016				Print	ZIP Attachments		
Review Dashboard	Summary	Research Personnel	Secondary Use of Data	Attachments			
Version 1							
Date	Duration	Type	Process	Board	Decision	Download PDF	
6/28/2024	3 days, 21 hrs, 41 mins	Analyst	Administrative		Returned to PI	Application	
7/2/2024	-1 days, -5 hrs, -60 mins	Research Team	Revision		Status = Complete Examine Modifications Required	Comments	
Version 2							
Date	Duration	Type	Process	Board	Decision	Download PDF	
7/2/2024	1 days, 23 hrs, 24 mins	Analyst	Administrative		Setup Review	Application	
7/3/2024	0 days, 0 hrs, 1 mins	REB Member Review	Delegated	REB1	Delegated Reviews Complete		
7/4/2024	0 days, 0 hrs, 2 mins	Chair Review	Chair - Provide Review	REB1	Modifications Required		
7/4/2024	0 days, 0 hrs, 2 mins	Research Team	Revision		Status = Complete Examine Modifications Required	Comments	

Comments in form tabs now open into a separate window instead of a hover-over. This will allow the user to keep the comment visible while addressing it in the form.



The screenshot shows the 'Summary' tab of the application form. The 'Protocol Title' field contains 'S8 - 6/28/2024 - secondary use'. The 'Principal Investigator' field contains 'RAS Researcher'. Below this, there is a question: 'Is the Principal Investigator for this project a student or post-doctoral fellow?' with a 'No' radio button selected. A 'Review Comments' window is open, displaying the 'Comments:' section with the 'Protocol Title' field highlighted in yellow, containing the text 'ohre'.