June 2015: What’s New in CATS IRB 7.5.1

The 7.5.1 upgrade to CATS IRB features small, helpful interface changes, including a new Help Center and a revamped “Shortcuts” menu. Coming June 2015.

- The new sidebar menu has links directly to Submissions (your studies) and the IRB Library. These are now one click away wherever you are in the system.
- The Help Center consolidates all help and training info, including the guides, into one space. This eliminated the Training and FAQs tabs from the main navigation menu.
- You’ll also find a new Funding tab in the workspace of a study.
- A number of other minor changes have been made in the system to improve performance.

New Sidebar Menu

The old Shortcuts menu and IRB tab menu have combined features into one, new sidebar menu.

Where to Find Information: Sidebar Menu

- **Submissions**: all submissions (your studies) can be accessed from the first link in the sidebar menu; submissions are still available from the IRB tab.
- **IRB Library**: now a link on the sidebar menu; all templates, worksheets, and checklists are found in the Library. The Investigator Manual is also here.
- **Study Submission Guide**: found in the new Help Center. All guides, including the Quick Start Guide, are in the Help Center. Guides have been updated.
- **Trainings, Tutorial Videos, and FAQs**: all available in the new centralized Help Center.

Reportable New Information

Changes to RNI for researchers:

- An Action Plan may now be required by the IRB Committee for an RNI; an Action Plan tab will appear in the study workspace if a plan is required.
- If an Action Plan is requested, the IRB Committee will assign a Responsible Party (person may be a study team member if the RNI is related to a study; person needn’t be the submitter).
- Improvements to RNI reports; new information reports now include related submissions links.
- Study teams on related studies can now access the RNI submission; PIs, PI Proxies, and Primary Contacts will also receive email notifications.

What is RNI? Reportable New Information (RNI) is an event(s) that can affect the potential risks or conduct of the research. It is often unexpected in nature and/or potentially adverse. RNI must be reported to the IRB. See the Investigator Manual for more info on RNI.