Status of the Commons V2.2.3 Deployment
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General System Statistics

- Comparison of April to August
  - Doubled Organizations Registered (260->525)
  - Logins/Month Increased 50% (10,000 -> 15,000)
  - PI/Reviewers Doubled (3,600 -> 7,300)
- 7,300 PI/Reviewers Represent 10% of Targeted Total
- Creating 1,500 Accounts per Month. 3,000 Projected for September.
- Internet Assisted Review Accounts is now 10% of the Total (up from 3% in April)

Commons Module Statistics

- eSNAP
  - 420 eSNAPs Initiated (10 with Inclusion)
  - 305 SNAPs have been submitted to NIH (3 with Inclusion)
  - Expanded to 30 Institutions
- FSR
  - 13,700 FSRs (60% are coming from Grantees. No Paper!)
- IAR (Internet Assisted Review)
  - Full Production in July
  - 34 Meetings for October Councils (535 Users)
  - 79 Meetings for January Councils (1,335 Users)

August Release Highlights

- **Performance Improvements**
    - Load Balanced on Multiple Servers
    - SSL Acceleration
    - Scalability on Web/Database Tier
        - (with Database Clustering/Load Balancing in Place our Limiting Resource is now just the cost of Implementing Hardware)
- **eSNAP Includes Tracking and Inclusion**
- **Reworked PI/Reviewer Account Creation Process**
    - Significant Internal Data Quality Improvements
    - Improved Time for NIH Account Approvals
    - PI May Initiate Follow Up Support Request
        - Available under Accounts/Administration

August Release Highlights

- **PI/Reviewer Account Creation**
  - Requires Validation by PI/Reviewer
  - Significant Internal Data Quality Features
- **eSNAP**
  - Tracking and Inclusion Added
  - Complete/Not Complete Wizard

Fall Initiatives (11/7/2003)

- eSNAP - Ensure Inclusion Studies are Properly Setup (eSNAP Full Production with 11/7/2003 Release)
- New Password Policy
  - Minimum of 8 characters
  - Can't Start/End with a Number
  - Must Contain a Letter, a Number, and a Character not a Letter or a Number.
- Internet Assisted Review (IAR) in Demo Facility
- Status Search Engine
- Pre-Award Just In Time
- Project Extensions (No Cost Extension)

Status Search Engine

- Support the Need for Different Types of Institution Searches
  - Pending Progress Reports
  - Recently Awarded
  - eSubmissions (XML Transactions/CGAP)
  - Etc.
- Launch of Grant Transaction Modules (eSNAP/xTRAIN/JIT/Project Extensions/CGAP)
- Shared NIH Component (Shared Query Tool/Engine) for Future Enhancements
  - Document Merge
  - Customized Data Retrieval

Just in Time

- Allows Pre Award Just In Time for
  - Other Support (Required)
  - IACUC (Required if Animal Subjects)
  - IRB (Required if Human Subjects)
  - Human Subjects Education (If Human Subjects)
- SO/AO/PI may Save but Only an SO may Submit
- Submitting SO and PI Receive Confirmation email
- Once Submitted, PDF Available in Status Other Relevant Documents
- No Delegation in Initial Version
- Posts Directly into NIH Enterprise System (IMPACII)
- Just In Time may be Submitted Using Commons Only Once, Otherwise Paper

Project Extension

- Interface to Automatically Extend Project End Date
- Available in Last Support Year Within 90 Days From Project End Date (i.e. Between 0 and 90 Days)
    - 10 Day Prior to End Date Restriction Lifted in Commons!
- May Only be Performed Once Though Commons without NIH Involvement
- Only an SO may Submit the Extension
    - AO/PI are Shown a Text Page Explaining the Process
    - Submitting SO and PI receive an email
- Immediately Posts into Enterprise System (IMPACII) and new Dates immediately updated in Status