

## Changes to e-Consent and PDF Snapshot Features

### Key Changes:

#### 1. Enhanced e-Consent Framework:

- **Customizable Consent Forms:** Design consent forms with various field types, including text, dropdowns, and signature fields.
- **Version Control:** Manage new versions of consent forms while maintaining historical versions for audit purposes.
- **Certification Page:** Display an in-line PDF copy of the completed consent form for participant review and certification.
- **Support for Multi-Form Signing:** Capture signatures across multiple forms, with each form generating its own PDF snapshot.
- **Automatic PDF Snapshot Trigger:** Automatically create a read-only PDF snapshot trigger that saves a PDF copy of the survey response into the project's file repository.

#### 2. Improved PDF Snapshot Functionality:

- **Automatic Saving:** Save PDF copies of survey responses to the project's file repository or specified fields.
- **Custom Triggers:** Create custom triggers for generating PDF snapshots based on specific events or conditions.
- **Support for Multi-Form Consents:** Combine multiple forms into a single PDF snapshot.
- **Custom Headers and Footers:** Add custom headers and footers to PDF snapshots, including text fields, smart variables, and piping.
- **File Naming Customization:** Customize the file names of PDF snapshots using static text or piping, appended with date-time stamps.
- **Audit Trails:** Maintain detailed audit trails for consent form completions and PDF snapshot generations.
- **Vault Storage Integration:** Store PDF snapshots in the vault if enabled and allowed by the admin.

### Benefits of the New Features:

- **Streamlined Consent Process:** Simplify and enhance the electronic consent process for both researchers and participants.
- **Improved Data Integrity:** Ensure secure and organized storage of consent forms and survey responses.
- **Enhanced Compliance:** Meet regulatory standards requirements with robust version control and audit trails.

## What About My Existing e-Consent?

### Transition to New Features:

- **New Location for e-Consent Framework:** The e-Consent Framework will move from survey settings to the Online Designer page. The auto-archive feature is also moving and being renamed to PDF Snapshots. Both features will have their own control page to assist users in managing these functionalities.
- **Automatic Transition:** Existing e-Consents will automatically move to the new location and continue to function as set up. However, run a test record through your consent process on go-live day to verify functionality. Document this test and its results for compliance.

### No Data Loss:

- **Data Integrity:** All existing e-Consent data will be preserved during the transition. The new system enhances functionality without compromising your existing data.

### Update Required:

- **Manual Project Updates:** Verify the functionality of your e-Consents post-transition by running a test record. Document this test and its results for compliance.

### Familiarize Yourself with the New Features:

- Watch the tutorial to understand the updated e-Consent and PDF Snapshot functionalities: [Video Tutorial](#)
- Review the detailed guide to understand the full scope of the changes and how to implement them in your projects: [Read the Guide](#)