



Tools for **TRAQ**  
Research at Queen's

# TRAQ – Awards Module

Reviewing TRAQ DSS Forms

Department Heads/Faculty Signing Authorities - User Manual

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# Accessing the Researcher's Portal

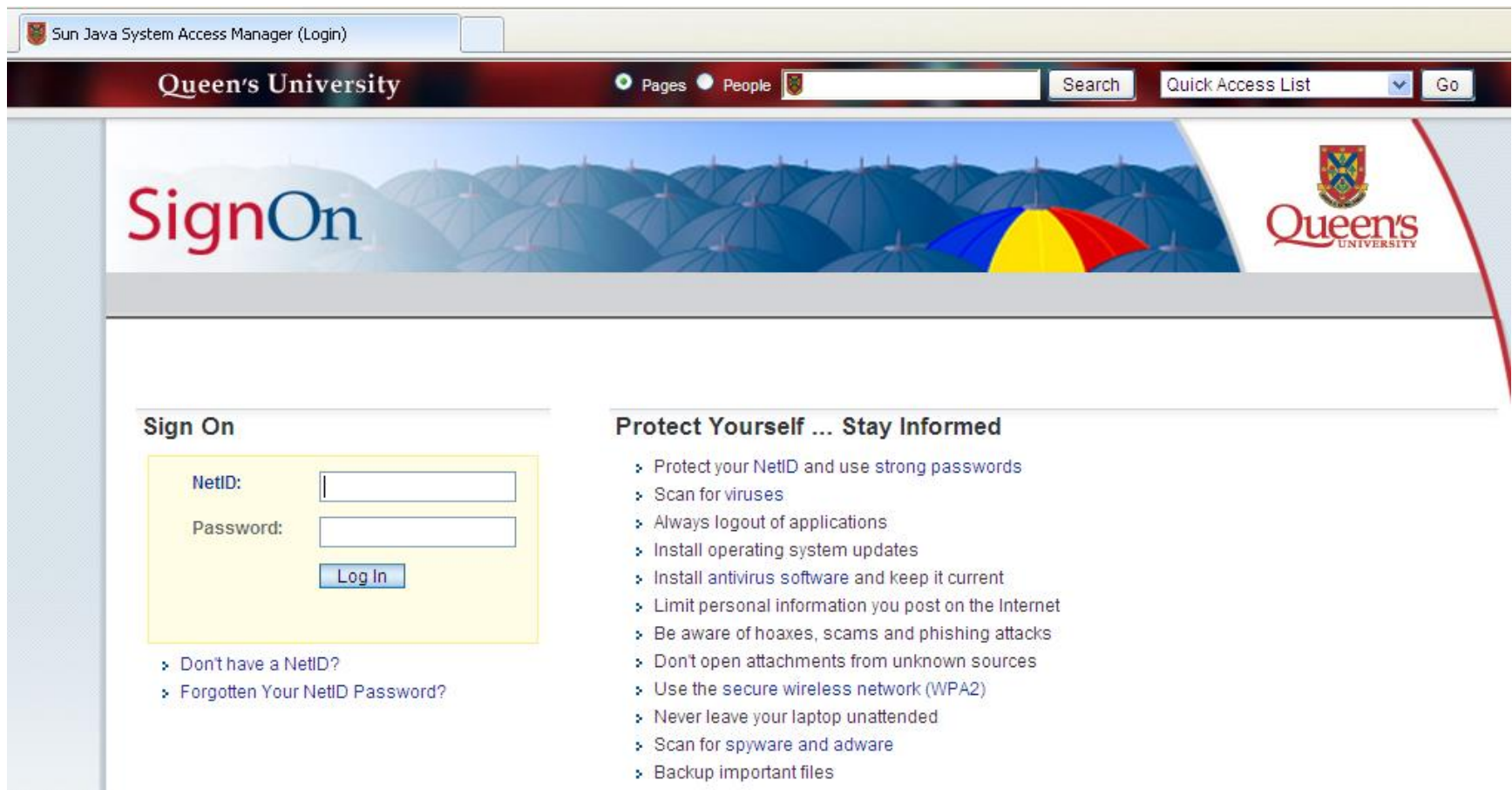


- Department Heads and, at times, Faculty Signing Authorities (depending on the faculty) are required to review and approve TRAQ DSS Forms before they reach University Research Services.
- TRAQ DSS Forms that have been submitted by PIs are accessed through the TRAQ Researcher Portal. Please note that the Researcher Portal is accessible on tablets (i.e. iPads, PlayBooks, etc.)
- You will receive an email notification whenever there is a TRAQ DSS Form awaiting your review. You will also receive a reminder email on Monday mornings drawing your attention to any applications still pending your review.
- Department Heads/Faculty Signing Authorities should use their Queen's NetID and strong password\* to log into the TRAQ Researcher's Portal through [MyQueensU/SOLUS](#) portal

\* Information regarding managing your [Queen's NetID](#) and the [strong password](#) is available on the ITS website.

# Single SignOn for Queen's Faculty & Staff

- Enter your Queen's NetID and strong password to access the Researcher's Portal



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## SignOn

Queen's UNIVERSITY

### Sign On

NetID:

Password:

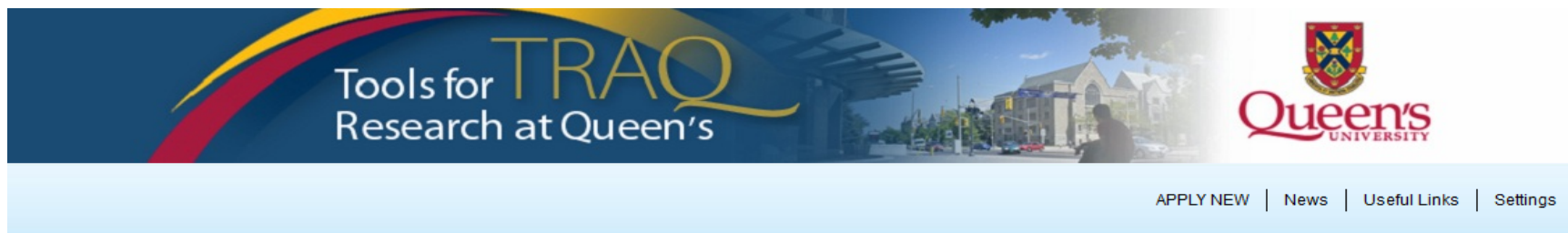
- ✦ Don't have a NetID?
- ✦ Forgotten Your NetID Password?

### Protect Yourself ... Stay Informed

- ✦ Protect your NetID and use strong passwords
- ✦ Scan for viruses
- ✦ Always logout of applications
- ✦ Install operating system updates
- ✦ Install antivirus software and keep it current
- ✦ Limit personal information you post on the Internet
- ✦ Be aware of hoaxes, scams and phishing attacks
- ✦ Don't open attachments from unknown sources
- ✦ Use the secure wireless network (WPA2)
- ✦ Never leave your laptop unattended
- ✦ Scan for spyware and adware
- ✦ Backup important files

# Researcher's Portal

- Department Heads' dashboard may have up to four roles: Principal Investigator, Project Team Member, Department Signing Authority and Reviewer. Any TRAQ DSS Form awaiting your approval will be available under **Role: Department Signing Authority**. (Please note that any Biohazard Permit application requiring your approval will be available under Role: Reviewer.)



## Role : Principal Investigator

Applications (Saved - Not Submitted)	(4)
Applications (Submitted - Under Review)	(0)
Applications (Submitted - Requiring My Attention)	(0)
Applications (Submitted - Post Review)	(32)
Applications (Withdrawn)	(0)
My Reminders	(0)

## TRAQ DSS Forms

### Role: Department Signing Authority

Applications (New - for Review)	(0)
Applications (Pending Requested Information)	(1)
Applications (Submitted - Under Review)	(2)

## Role: Project Team Member

Applications (Saved - Not Submitted)	(1)
Applications (Submitted - Under Review)	(0)
Applications (Submitted - Requiring My Attention)	(0)
Applications (Submitted - Post Review)	(23)
Applications (Withdrawn)	(0)
My Reminders	(1)

## Biohazard Permit Applications

### Role: Reviewer

Applications Requiring Your Review as a Chair	(1)
Applications Requiring Your Review as a Reviewer - New	(0)
Applications Requiring Your Review as a Reviewer - In Progress	(0)
Events Requiring Your Review as a Chair	(0)
Events Requiring Your Review as a Reviewer - New	(0)
Events Requiring Your Review as a Reviewer - In Progress	(0)

# Accessing TRAQ DSS Forms

## Role: Department Signing Authority


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|---|-----|
| 1. Applications (New - for Review)              | (1) |
| 2. Applications (Pending Requested Information) | (0) |
| 3. Applications (Submitted - Under Review)      | (8) |

TRAQ DSS Forms submitted by PIs within your department (or faculty) may be accessed through one of these quick links:

1. TRAQ DSS Forms recently submitted by PIs and awaiting your review will be available through **Applications (New – for Review)**;
2. Applications that you have pushed back to the PI for edits, or clarifications, will remain accessible through **Applications (Pending Requested Information)**;
3. **Applications (Submitted – Under Review)** will display all applications that you have reviewed and approved, or forwarded to the next signing authority. The workflow status of these applications would be 'Faculty Signing Authority', or 'ORS Review'.

# Reviewing/Approving TRAQ DSS Forms

- Click on **Applications (New – for Review)** to access any application awaiting your review. Then, click on 'Review' to review the contents of the TRAQ DSS Form.



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	File No	Project Title	Principal Investigator	Application Type	Status Snapshot	Workflow Message
	<input type="text"/> Y	<input type="text"/> Y	<input type="text"/> Y	All ▾	<input type="text"/> Y	
<div>Review</div>	Ref No: 5717	Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher	Dr. Queen's Researcher (Faculty of Health Sciences\Pathology and Molecular Medicine)	TRAQ DSS FORM (Awards\Awards)	<b>Project Status:</b> Pending <b>Workflow Status:</b> Department Signing Authority Review	Submit test CIHR for Dr Tron's approval. [Action:...] [See more, inside under Logs section]

# Reviewing TRAQ DSS Forms


- You can review the application by going through the different tabs (and sub-tabs of the application form). Please see next slide for a description of the tabs.


**Application Ref No:** 5717 **Project Title:** Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher **Project Work Flow State:** Department  
Signing Authority Review **Application Form:** TRAQ DSS FORM

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**Project Info** **Project Team Info** **Project Sponsor Info** **TRAQ DSS FORM** **Attachments** **Approvals** **Logs**

**Title \*:**

**Start Date:**  

**End Date:**  

**Keywords:**  [Add](#)

[Clear all](#)

**Related Certifications**

	Certification Category	File No	Status	Renewal Date	Notes
	Biohazard	6010284	Active	2014/01/31	



# Reviewing TRAQ DSS FORMS (Cont.)

Tab	Description
Project Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Title of the project;</li><li>• Keywords describing the project;</li><li>• Link to any related certification (Biohazard and/or Human Ethics).</li></ul>
Project Team Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Name of PI;</li><li>• <b>*Affiliation of PI</b> – this information must be verified by department head to ensure that PIs with cross-appointments are submitting their TRAQ DSS Form to the appropriate department;</li><li>• Names and roles of team members (e.g. Co-PIs, Co-Investigators, Research Coordinators, etc.).</li></ul>
Project Sponsor Info	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Name of funding agency (agencies) being approached for funding;</li><li>• Program PI is applying to;</li><li>• Deadline date of the competition;</li><li>• Start Date;</li><li>• Amount requested from funding agency.</li></ul>



# Reviewing TRAQ DSS Forms (Cont.)

Tab	Description
TRAQ DSS Form	<p>TRAQ DSS Form has 4 sub-tabs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. General: questions regarding location where research will be conducted and research funds will be held;</li><li>2. <b>*Overhead</b>: overhead rate that will be applied to the amount of research funds received – this information must be verified by department head/faculty signing authority;</li><li>3. Hospital Research: to be completed by PIs whose research is to be conducted at one of the affiliated teaching hospitals (Kingston General Hospital, Providence Care, Hotel Dieu);</li><li>4. Checklist</li></ol>
Attachments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All attachments provided by the researcher, such as Research Proposal, Preliminary Budget/Budget Justification, Agreement, etc. can be accessed through this tab.</li></ul>
Approvals	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• This is where all Hospital Operational Directors who have been selected to approve the application will access the “Approval Process” button.</li></ul>
Logs	<p>There are two logs:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Workflow Log: tracks and time stamps approvals and messages. The Workflow Log starts to populate after the PI submits the application;</li><li>2. Project Log: tracks and time stamps every action taken on the application.</li></ol>

# Exporting TRAQ DSS Form to Word/PDF

- Although you can view an application by going through its different tabs and sub-tabs, you may also export it to Word or PDF which allows you to view the entire application in one document.


**Application Ref No:** 5717 **Project Title:** Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher **Project Work Flow State:** Department **Application Form:** TRAQ DSS FORM


Signing Authority Review

Approval Process Close Print **Export to Word** **Export to PDF**

Project Info Project Team Info Project Sponsor Info **TRAQ DSS FORM** Attachments Approvals Logs

**Title \*:** Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher

**Start Date:**  

**End Date:**  

**Keywords:**  **Add**

TRAQ, Queen's, research **Clear all**

**Related Certifications**

	Certification Category	File No	Status	Renewal Date	Notes
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# Reviewing Attachments

- Click on the Attachments tab. From there you can access any of the documents listed below by clicking on their hyperlinked title under the Attachment column. This is where the research proposal and budget, or budget justification can be viewed.

**Application Ref No:** 5717 **Project Title:** Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher **Project Work Flow State:** Department  
Signing Authority Review

**Application Form:** TRAQ DSS FORM

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NOTE: You are in view only mode, and changes cannot be saved.

[Project Info](#) [Project Team Info](#) [Project Sponsor Info](#) [TRAQ DSS FORM](#) [Attachments](#) [Approvals](#) [Logs](#)

## Please attach the following documents:

- Research Proposal or Contract
- Budget or Budget Justification (if not included in the above document)
- If partners are involved, letters of support (if not included in the above document)

## Instructions for Approvals TAB

The next tab has a section called "Approvals" that indicates which esignatures are required. This is for information only and no action is required from you.

	Attachment	Description	Version Date	Doc / Agreement
	6007578.docx Uploaded on: 2013/11/25	Propo	2013/11/25	Research Proposal
	Copy of Budget Template for TRAQ-IG.xlsx Uploaded on: 2013/11/25		2013/11/25	Budget Justification

Hyperlinked  
attachments

# **\*\*IMPORTANT\*\***



- Department Heads must verify that PIs with multiple affiliations (cross-appointed to two or more academic units) have selected the proper affiliation on the **Project Team Info** tab when submitting the application. Please review the project title, team members, the attached research proposal, and any additional information provided by the PI at the moment of submission to determine the Department/Research Centre where this study will be taking place.
- Department Heads/Faculty Signing Authority are responsible for ensuring that the PI selected the appropriate overhead rate. The overhead rate can be viewed on the second sub tab of the **TRAQ DSS Form**. If the PI submitted a budget, or budget justification, with their TRAQ DSS Form, the amount of overhead should have been included.
- Department Heads should also verify that PIs with hospital-based research have completed sub-tab 3 of the **TRAQ DSS FORM** tab, as well as selected the Research Directors for each hospital involved in the study (Hotel Dieu, Kingston General Hospital, and Providence Care) under the **Approvals** tab. If the PI has omitted to complete sub-tab 3, or the Approvals tab, the TRAQ DSS Form should be pushed back to the PI with instructions to complete these required sections and re-submit their application.

# Reviewing Hospital Research Tab

Save Close Print Export to Word Export to PDF Submit

\* Project Info Project Team Info Project Sponsor Info \* TRAQ DSS FORM Attachments Approvals Logs

TRAQ DSS FORM tab has four sub-tabs.

\* 1. General \* 2. Overhead 3. Hospital Research \* 4. Checklist

1.1) \* Which Institution (Financial Services) will hold your research funds?

- ☒ QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY  
☐ HOTEL DIEU HOSPITAL (Please select HDH - Research Vic Sahai in the approvals tab)  
☐ KINGSTON GENERAL HOSPITAL (Please select KGH - Research Veronica L Harris-McAllister in the approvals tab)  
☐ PROVIDENCE CARE (Please select PC - Research Kathleen Fitzpatrick in the approvals tab)  
☐ There are no funds for the project to be administered

1.2) \* Is additional Queen's/Hospital space required for this project?

- ☐ YES  
☒ NO

1.3) \* I agree to abide by all policies set out by the external funding agency and Queen's University e.g., the Agreement Integrity in Research, respectively.

☒ I agree

1.4) \* Does the proposed research include Controlled Goods/Technology?

- ☐ YES  
☒ NO

1.5) \* Does this proposed research involve participation of non-academic partner(s)?

- ☐ YES  
☒ NO

1.6) \* Is your research occurring in one or more of the following locations (HDH, KGH, PC)? If YES, please complete HOSPITAL RESEARCH and from APPROVALS tab select all applicable Hospital Units that need to approve your research. If your answer is NO, SAVE and move to the next tab

- ☒ YES (please complete HOSPITAL RESEARCH tab and read instructions available on the top of this tab).  
☐ NO

If PI selected 'YES' for question 1.6, then ensure that sub-tab 3 has been completed. If not, application should be pushed back to PI.

You may also push the application back to the PI if you believe they should have answered 'YES' to question 1.6.

# Reviewing Hospital Research Tab (Cont.)

Application Ref No: 7553

Application Form: TRAQ DSS FORM

Save Close Print Export to Word Export to PDF Submit

\* Project Info Project Team Info Project Sponsor Info **TRAQ DSS FORM** Attachments Approvals Logs Errors

1. General 2. Overhead **3. Hospital Research** 4. Checklist

Please note the section "Other Approval" within "Approvals" tab is applicable to hospital based research. Please identify all hospital departments that will be impacted by your research. Impact is defined as any procedure or research protocol which uses hospital resources above those normally required for practice and standard of care. This may include but not limited to extra tests or procedures, preparation, dispensing, and storage of special medications used in drug trials, use of labs for specimen preparation, storage, and shipment, additional nursing time, use of space to see research participants, educational preparation or other ancillary costs covered by the hospital. The hospital will not absorb research costs associated with projects above and beyond the standard of care. These extra costs must be clearly identified within this application and researchers must have funding to support these activities. Researchers are advised to seek early consultation with the appropriate hospital operational director identified within this form to ensure that a feasible proposal budget is prepared. Consultation should occur within 2-4 weeks of funding deadlines to ensure all hospital approvals are in place. If you have selected anyone in this area, you must also select one or more of the following RESEARCH Directors: HDH - RESEARCH (Vic Sahai) KGH - RESEARCH (Veronica L Harris-McAllister) PC - RESEARCH (Kathleen Fitzpatrick) based on hospital location(s) chosen below. At a minimum if you said yes to 1.6 you must select the RESEARCH director to approve

3.1) What is your Primary Hospital Location (if applicable):

Hotel Dieu Hospital

3.2) What is your Secondary Hospital Location (if applicable):

Kingston General Hospital

3.3) What is your Tertiary Hospital Location (if applicable):

-Select-

At the top of sub-tab 3, PI is asked to indicate which of the three affiliated hospitals (Hotel Dieu, Kingston General Hospital, Providence Care) will be involved in the study.

They are also instructed to go to the **Approvals** tab and select all of the hospital departments that will be impacted by their research.

At minimum, they must select the Research Directors of all hospitals involved in the study (Hotel Dieu – Vic Sahai; Kingston General Hospital – Veronica Harris-McAllister; Providence Care – Kathleen Fitzpatrick).

Department Heads should check the **Approvals** tab and ensure the Research Director(s) have been selected. If PI has omitted to select the appropriate Hospital Operational Directors, the application should be pushed back.

# Reviewing Approvals Tab

Project Info Project Team Info Project Sponsor Info TRAQ DSS FORM Attachments Approvals

## Approvals

This application is pre-programmed to route to the following signing authority levels

Role
Division Signing Authority
Department Signing Authority
Faculty Signing Authority
Office of Research Services

## Other Approvals

Your institution may require that you obtain additional approvals from other signing authorities. Check an

Active	Department	Signing Authority Name	Status	Comments
<input type="checkbox"/>	HDH - Decision Support	John Lott		
<input type="checkbox"/>	HDH - Electromyography	Adrienne Leach		
<input type="checkbox"/>	HDH - Emergency	Brian Merkley		
<input type="checkbox"/>	HDH - GI Function Testing Unit	Brian Merkley		
<input type="checkbox"/>	HDH - Human Mobility Research Centre	Leone Ploeg		
<input type="checkbox"/>	HDH - Imaging	Karen Pearson		
<input type="checkbox"/>	HDH - Pulmonary Function Laboratory	Brian Merkley		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	HDH - RESEARCH	Vic Sahai	Approve	
<input type="checkbox"/>	HDH - Surgery/Perioperative/Anesthesiology	Brian Merkley		
<input type="checkbox"/>	KGH - Decision Support	John Lott		
<input type="checkbox"/>	KGH - Electroencephalography	Adrienne Leach		
<input type="checkbox"/>	KGH - Electromyography	Adrienne Leach		
<input type="checkbox"/>	KGH - Emergency	Julie Caffin		

Once in the Approvals tab, scroll down in the “Other Approvals” section and make sure that Research Director(s) were selected. For example, if Hotel Dieu is one of the hospital sites, then Vic Sahai should have been selected.

You will know if he was selected if you see an approval decision (either “Approve”, or “Forward” next to his name). Any comments would be visible in the “Comments” column.

Please pay attention to the comments as one of the Hospital Operational Directors (HOD) may request that you push the application back to the PI if one of the HODs was omitted. HOD comments are also available in the Workflow Log, under the Logs tab.



# Submitting Comments/Approving TRAQ DSS Form


- Click on “Approval Process” at the top of the application to access the “Work Flow Action” screen.


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Project Info | Project Team Info | Project Sponsor Info | **TRAQ DSS FORM** | Attachments | Approvals | Logs

**Title \*:**

**Start Date:**  

**End Date:**  

**Keywords:**  [Add](#)

[Clear all](#)

**Related Certifications**

	Certification Category	File No	Status	Renewal Date	Notes
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# Action: Approve and Forward to URS

- If you are satisfied with the contents of the application and are ready to submit it to University Research Services, please click the 'Approve' radio button, enter a brief comment, and click on 'Submit' to forward the application.

The screenshot displays a web application interface for a project workflow. A modal dialog titled "Work Flow Action" is open, showing the "Approve" radio button selected. The "Comments:" section contains the text "I have reviewed this application and approve its content." The background form shows the "Project Info" tab with fields for Title, Start Date, End Date, and Keywords.

**Application Ref No:** 5717 **Project Title:** Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher **Project Work Flow** **Application Form:** TRAQ DSS FORM

**State:** Department Signing Authority Review

**Work Flow Action**

**Action:**

- ☒ Approve
- ☐ Request Information
- ☐ Forward to Next Signing Authority
- ☐ Incorrect Department

**Comments:**

I have reviewed this application and approve its content.

**Submit** **Cancel**

# Action: Request Information

- Select this action to push the application back to the PI for editing. This should be done whenever the PI has neglected to complete the Sponsor Info tab properly; when a PI with a hospital-based project neglected to complete sub-tab 3 and/or select Hospital Operational Directors to approve their project in the Approvals tab; or, if one of the Hospital Operational Directors requests that the application be pushed back to the PI.

The screenshot displays the TRAQ DSS FORM application interface. At the top, the header includes 'Application Ref No: 5717', 'Project Title: Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher', and 'Project Work Flow'. The 'State' is 'Department Signing Authority Review'. Below the header, there are tabs for 'Project Info', 'Project Team Info', and 'Project Sponsor'. The 'Project Info' tab is active, showing fields for 'Title \*:', 'Start Date:', 'End Date:', and 'Keywords:'. The 'Title' field contains 'Test Application #2'. The 'Start Date' and 'End Date' fields are empty. The 'Keywords' field contains 'TRAQ, Queen's, rese'. A 'Work Flow Action' dialog box is open, showing four radio button options: 'Approve', 'Request Information' (which is selected and circled in red), 'Forward to Next Signing Authority', and 'Incorrect Department'. Below the radio buttons is a 'Comments:' section with a text area containing three numbered comments: 1) 'Please complete Sponsor Info tab properly indicating Agency, Program and Amount Requested.', 2) 'This is a hospital-based project. Please complete sub-tab 3 of the TRAQ DSS Form and select proper Hospital Operational Directors for approval in the Approvals tab.', and 3) 'Pushing application back at the request of Mr. Hospital Operational Director. Please see comments in Work Flow Log and re-submit application.' The dialog box has 'Submit' and 'Cancel' buttons at the top and bottom.

Application Ref No: 5717 Project Title: Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher Project Work Flow

State: Department Signing Authority Review

Approval Process Close Prior: Work Flow Action

Project Info Project Team Info Project Sponsor

Title \*: Test Application #2

Start Date: End Date: Keywords: TRAQ, Queen's, rese

Action:

- ☐ Approve
- ☒ Request Information
- ☐ Forward to Next Signing Authority
- ☐ Incorrect Department

Comments:

- 1) Please complete Sponsor Info tab properly indicating Agency, Program and Amount Requested.
- 2) This is a hospital-based project. Please complete sub-tab 3 of the TRAQ DSS Form and select proper Hospital Operational Directors for approval in the Approvals tab.
- 3) Pushing application back at the request of Mr. Hospital Operational Director. Please see comments in Work Flow Log and re-submit application.

Submit Cancel

# Action: Incorrect Department

- If the PI submitted their TRAQ DSS Form to the wrong department, you may push the application back to them. Please click the 'Incorrect Department' radio button, ask the PI to change their affiliation on the Project Team Info tab and re-submit the application to the correct department, click 'Submit'.

The screenshot displays the TRAQ DSS FORM interface. At the top, the header includes 'Application Ref No: 5717', 'Project Title: Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher', and 'Project Work Flow'. The 'State' is 'Department Signing Authority Review'. The 'Application Form' is 'TRAQ DSS FORM'.

The main interface has tabs for 'Project Info', 'Project Team Info', and 'Project Sponsor'. The 'Project Info' tab is active, showing fields for 'Title \*', 'Start Date', 'End Date', and 'Keywords'. The 'Title' field contains 'Test Application #2'. The 'Keywords' field contains 'TRAQ, Queen's, rese'.

A 'Work Flow Action' dialog box is open, showing the following options:

- Action:**
  - ☐ Approve
  - ☐ Request Information
  - ☐ Forward to Next Signing Authority
  - ☒ Incorrect Department
- Comments:**

Please select proper affiliation in the Project Team Info tab and re-submit application.

The 'Incorrect Department' radio button is highlighted with a red circle. The dialog box has 'Submit' and 'Cancel' buttons at the top and bottom.

# Action: Forward to Next Signing Authority

- Currently, we do not recommend using the option “Forward to Next Signing Authority”. Please use one of the three options described in the previous slides when making your approval decision.

The screenshot displays a web application interface for a project workflow. At the top, the header includes 'Application Ref No: 5717', 'Project Title: Test Application #2 - Queen's Researcher', and 'Project Work Flow'. Below this, the 'State: Department Signing Authority Review' is indicated. The main content area is divided into two sections: 'Approval Process' and 'Work Flow Action'. The 'Work Flow Action' section is currently active, showing a dialog box with the following options:

- ☐ Approve
- ☐ Request Information
- ☒ Forward to Next Signing Authority
- ☐ Incorrect Department

The 'Forward to Next Signing Authority' option is crossed out with a red X. Below the action options is a 'Comments:' section with a text area. At the bottom of the dialog are 'Submit' and 'Cancel' buttons. The background form shows fields for 'Title \*', 'Start Date', 'End Date', and 'Keywords', with the title 'Test Application #2' and keywords 'TRAQ, Queen's, rese' visible.

# Need assistance/have a question?

Contact the TRAQ Helpdesk

(613) 533-6000, ext. 78426

Email: [traq@queensu.ca](mailto:traq@queensu.ca)

You may also use our [webform](#)  
to submit an issue to our Online Support Centre.

