

# Changing the Primary Contact

The study's primary contact for receiving communications from the IRB can be changed at any time. It may help to provide a contact person in addition to the PI, so that more than one person is receiving and checking the email notifications. **It is important to note that studies managed by the Research Institute will have the RI Regulatory staff member listed as the Primary Contact.**

The primary contact can also edit the study just as a study team member can edit it.

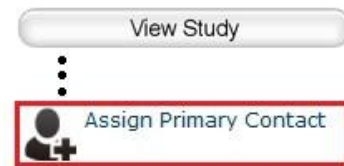
## Notes:

- To change the primary contact, you must be a member of the study team or the IRB coordinator assigned to the study.
- By default, the person who created the study in the system is the primary contact.
- The PI and any PI proxy continue to receive notifications regardless of the primary contact assignment.
- Modifications or continuing reviews have the same primary contact as the initial study. To change the primary contact on these submissions, do so in the initial study.

## To change the primary contact:

1. Open the study by clicking the study's name.
2. Click **Assign Primary Contact** from the My Current Actions list in the left panel.  
A new window opens.
3. Click **Clear** to remove the current contact.
4. Begin typing the name of the new contact.  
A list of matching names appears.
5. Select the correct name using the mouse or down arrow key.
6. Click **OK**.

### My Current Actions



**Note:** If the primary contact is also engaged in the research, make sure the list of team members within the study includes the person.