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MWCIA has converted our website to the **https** protocol. When you visit MWCIA's website (which hosts the OAR application, among other applications), the address in the top line of your browser should now displays an additional "s" after the http. You are probably familiar with the "https://" prefix as it is used on many popular websites. Conversion to https is a recommended security practice and creates a more trustworthy web site. This means that, along with the multiple layers of security that our applications already have, we now have the added benefit the site will transport your data more securely.

So how does that extra "s" transport your data more securely? The data is now encrypted in both directions, both to and from the web server. It also provides an authentication of our websites and servers which helps prevent against specific types of hacking.

Attempts to access the old http site using an existing bookmark will be redirected to our new https site. Saved bookmarks for our web site will work but only temporarily. **We strongly recommend that you delete saved bookmarks with the old http address and create new bookmarks with the new https address.**

Please note that the Online Assigned Risk (OAR) web application has also been updated to use https. Any saved bookmarks for that web application should be replaced as well.