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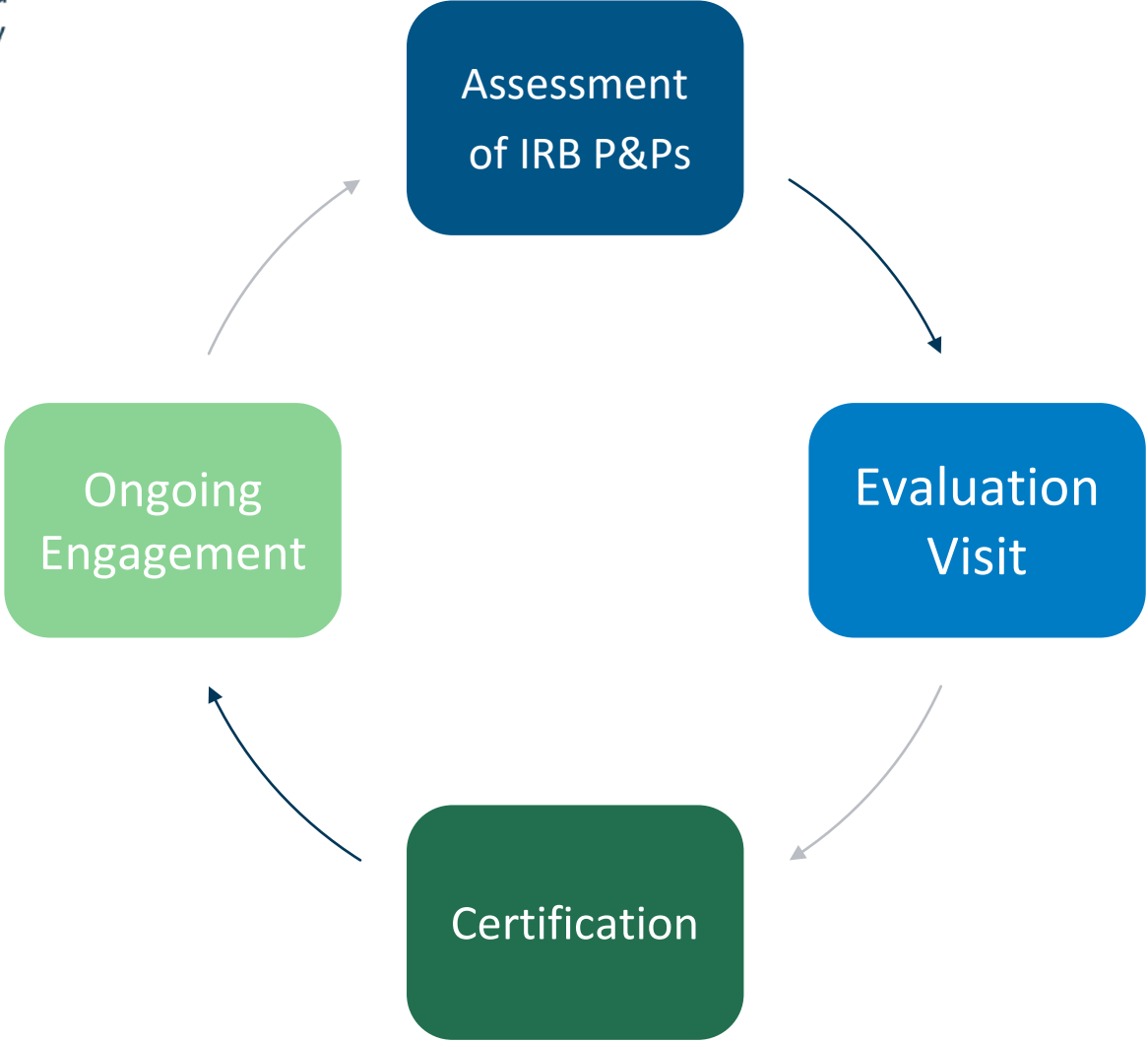
What is CARE-Q?

- ✦ Grassroots effort initiated by UCs and Stanford to certify Institutional Review Boards (IRB)
- ✦ Addresses an unmet need to promote quality
 - ✦ Low cost
 - ✦ Peer review
 - ✦ Sharing tools, best practices
 - ✦ Meets the Quality Assurance requirements of SMART-IRB



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Membership Includes...

- ✦ **Membership** - five-year term; recertification
- ✦ **Submission of Annual Report** – volume and metrics
- ✦ **IRB Evaluation Visit** – IRBs with 4+ registered IRBs require 1/3 of IRBs assessed within the membership period
- ✦ **Ongoing Engagement** - foster efficiency, share best practices, and address issues of common interest
- ✦ **Contribution of Reviewers** - Provide qualified senior staff to participate as Review Team Members



Current Status

- ✦ Certified Institutions:

- UC Irvine

- **Stanford University**

- ✦ Working with other UCs to prepare and apply for certification

- ✦ Santa Cruz, San Francisco, San Diego

- ✦ Developing...

- Guidance for IRBs

- Guidance for Review Team Members



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Future Plans

- ✦ Poster accepted at Public Responsibility in Medicine and Research National (PRIM&R) Conference in November 2019
- ✦ Certify all UCs campuses which express interest
- ✦ Expand to UC BRAID community partners; beyond California
- ✦ Continue to refine program



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Challenges

- ✦ Leadership changes at all nearly every medical campus
- ✦ Local campus resources to participate
- ✦ Managing external interest



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