



BRANY IRB as Central IRB for Review of VPR-CLS Linkage Requests: Purpose, Progress and Plans for 2022

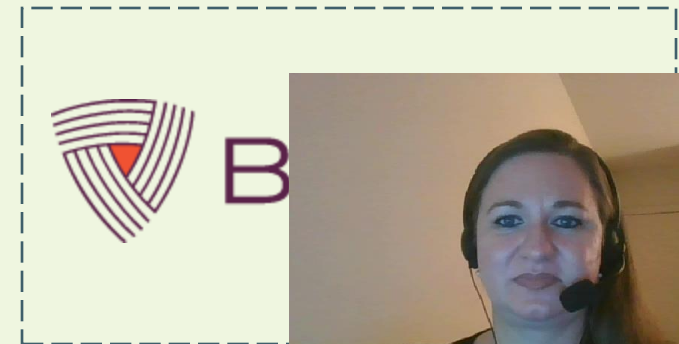
Laura Donohue, CIP

BRANY IRB, USA

Raffaella Hart, MSHS, CIP, SVP IRB, IBC & QA, BRANY

Linda Reuter, MS, CIP, IRB Director, BRANY

Kimberly Irvine, CIP, EVP and COO, BRANY



Agenda

- Central IRB (CIRB): What is a CIRB and why use one?
- About BRANY IRB
- BRANY's progress to date
- FAQs
- Plans for the year to come



What is a CIRB?

A Central IRB (CIRB) is the IRB that conducts reviews on behalf of all study sites that agree to participate in the centralized review process.

2018 Revised Common Rule requires the use of a single IRB for cooperative research.



Why use a CIRB for NAACCR VPR-CLS?

- Streamline process for the requesting researcher and each involved registry and their IRB
- Leverage existing VPR-CLS application process to perform a single, centralized IRB review that covers all agreeable registries
- Decreasing administrative burden and time to study initiation



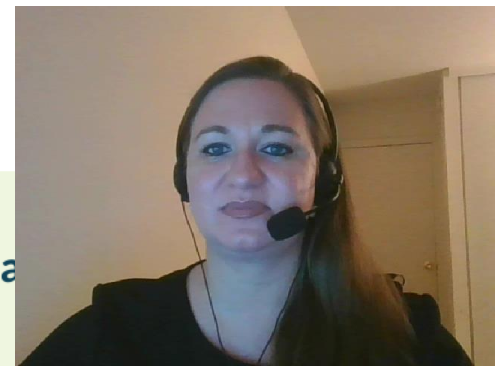
Why BRANY IRB? Look to Our History

- Biomedical Research Alliance of New York LLC
- Organized in 1998
 - NYU School of Medicine
 - Montefiore Medical Center
 - Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
 - Northwell Health
- Approximately 1600 active research studies (35% expedited review)
- Approximately 200 exempt per year
- Over 100 employees



Follow BRANY IRB's Approach

- BRANY IRB has developed its infrastructure to adhere to the highest standards and ensure regulatory compliance
 - Dedicated Project Manager
 - Coordination of IRB Reliance Agreements
 - Efficiency & Flexibility
 - Strong communication
 - Expert Committee & IRB Staff

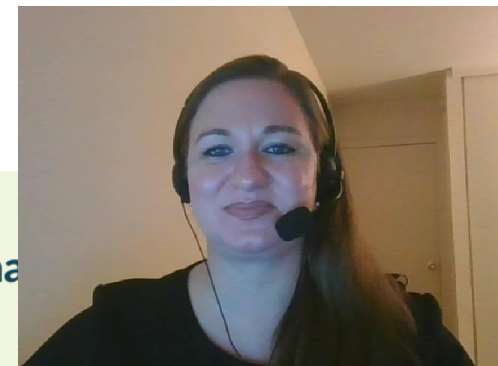
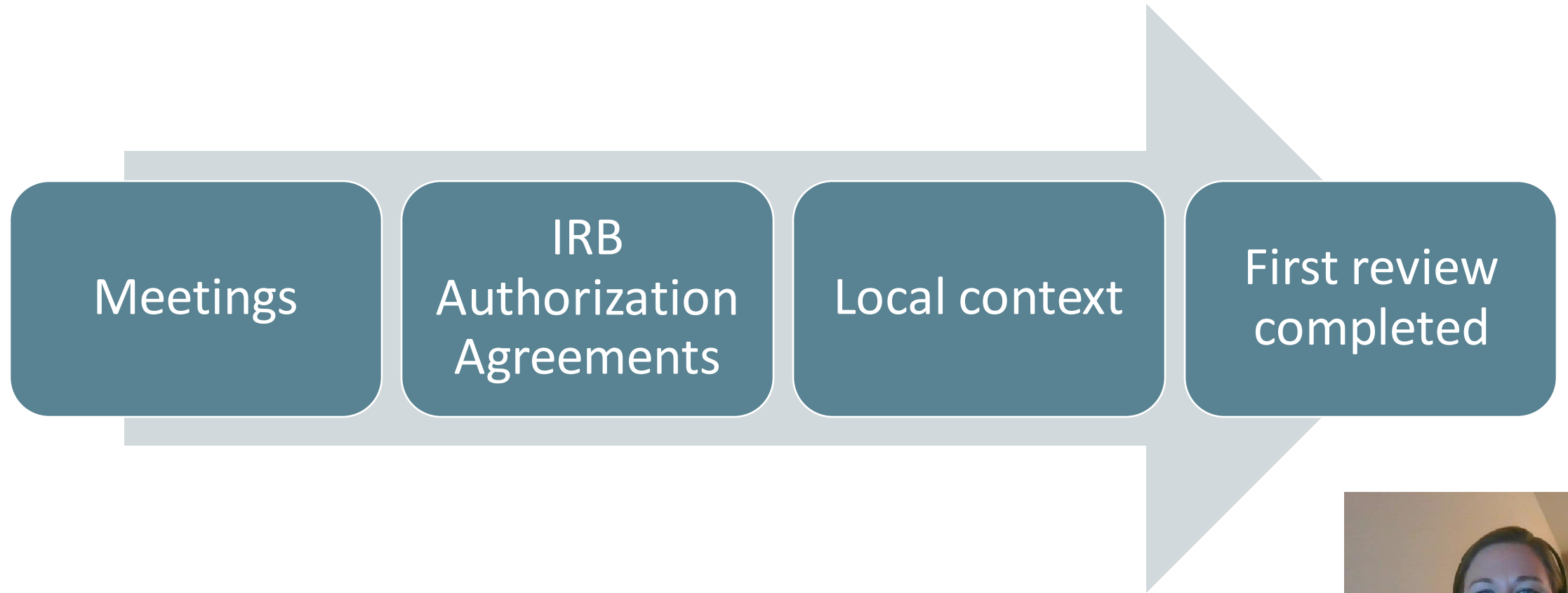


BRANY IRB: Committed to Excellence

- Accredited by the Association for Accreditation of Human Research Protection Programs (AAHRPP)
 - December 2019
 - December 2014
 - December 2009
 - December 2006
- Partnership of Human research Protections (NCQA & JACHO)
 - April 2004



Progress to Date

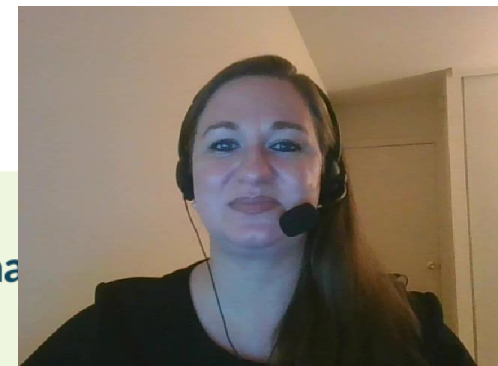


Meetings

- Arizona
- California
- Connecticut
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Massachusetts
- Michigan
- New Jersey
- New Mexico

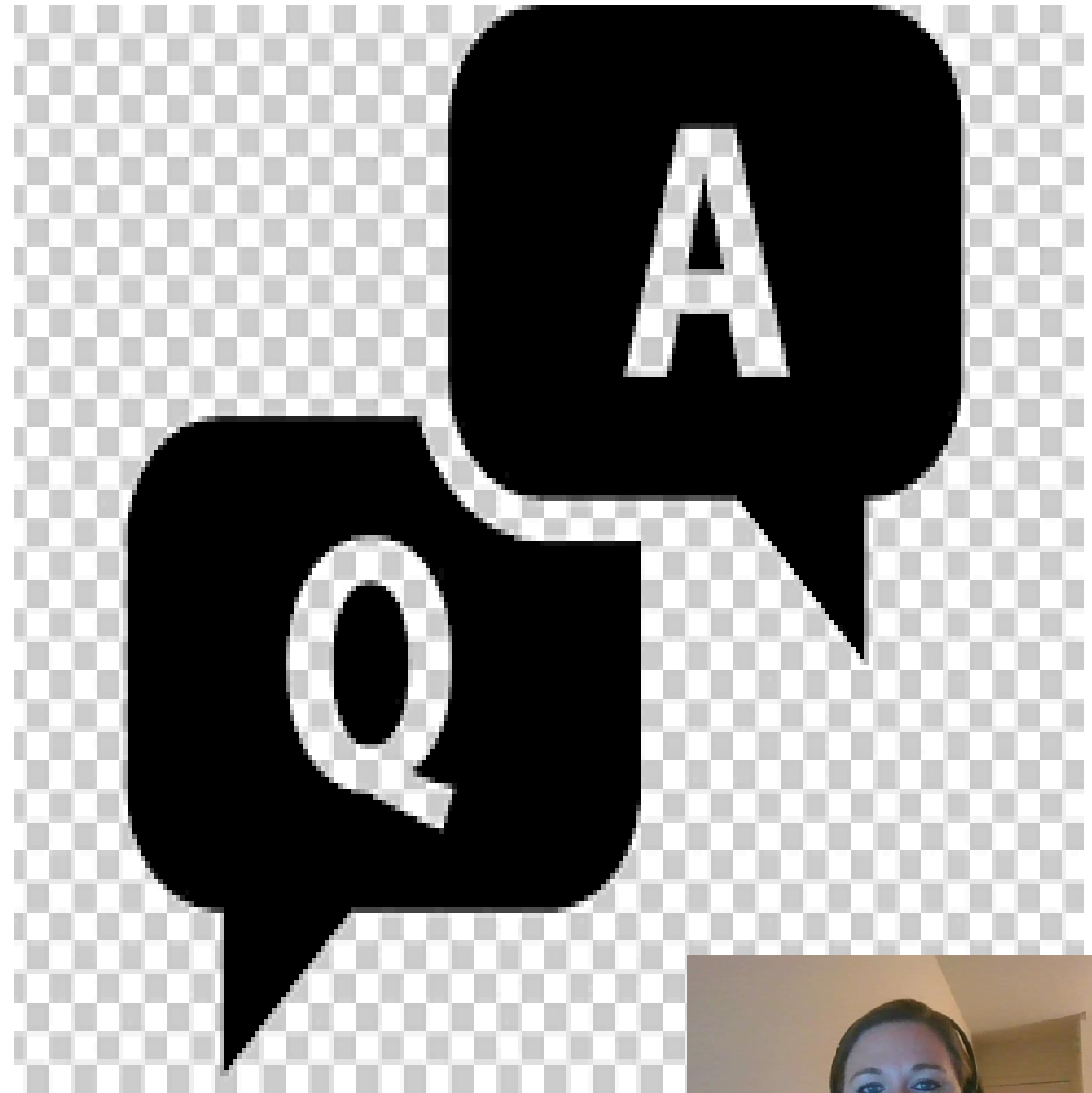


- Ohio
- Oklahoma
- Oregon
- Puerto Rico
- Rhode Island
- Washington
- South Carolina
- Texas



FAQ

1. What is the VPR-CLS
2. Why use a CIRB? What is the benefit?
3. How do researchers submit a request to BRANY IRB?
4. What will BRANY IRB be doing?
5. Why does BRANY IRB collect local research context information?
6. What is an IRB Authorization Agreement?
7. Will there be any cost to use the CIRB?
8. Whom do I contact at BRANY with additional questions?



Reliance Agreements

Reliance Agreements

IRB Authorization Agreement

Specifies responsibilities of reviewing IRB and relying organization

Agreement Types

BRANY IRB template

Relying organization's template

Other template agreements (e.g., SMART IRB)

Agreement Scope

Agreement to cede to BRANY IRB for review of all studies using the VPR Cancer Linkage System



Executed Reliance Agreements

Georgia Department of
Public Health / Georgia
Center for Cancer
Statistics

University of Hawai'i /
Hawai'i Tumor Registry

State of Maine
Department of Health
and Human Services

University of New Mexico
Health Sciences Center
Human Research Review
Committee / New Mexico
Tumor Registry

Oklahoma State
Department of Health /
Oklahoma Central Cancer
Registry

Oregon Health Authority
- Public Health Division /
Oregon State Cancer
Registry

University of Puerto Rico
/ Puerto Rico Central
Cancer Registry

Rhode Island Department
of Health / Rhode Island
Cancer Registry



Understanding Local Context

- Requirements to allow release of data from the local registry
- Determine which registry activities require IRB approval
- What kinds of communication about ceded IRB review does the registry and/or IRB require?
 - Notification that BRANY IRB has received a submission involving the registry
 - Outcome of BRANY IRB review regarding submission involving the registry



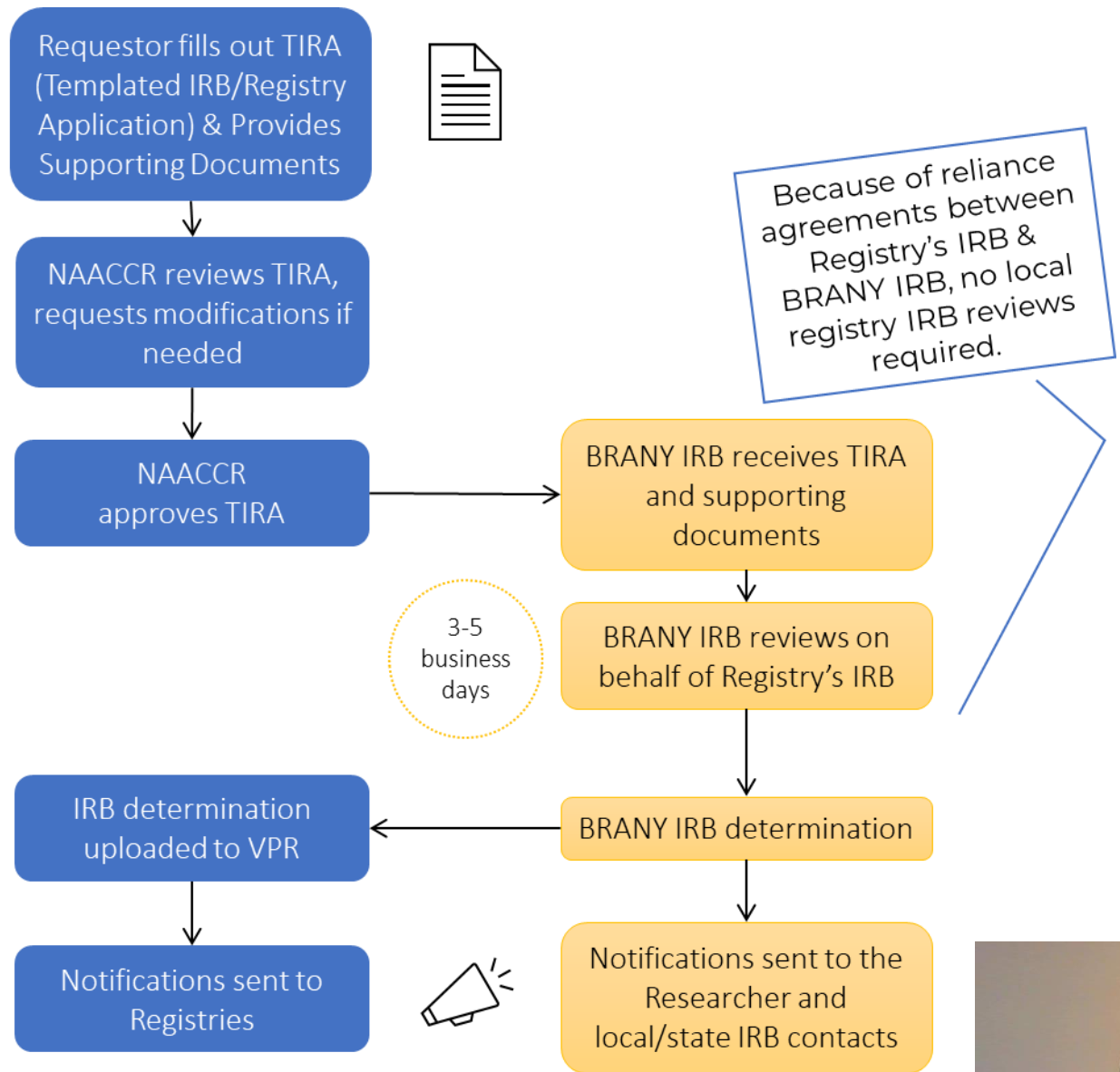
Pilot Test – The Sister Study

- Study led by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences
- Apply the CIRB process with select registries involved in The Sister Study
- Identify factors that need to be considered when developing the VPR functionality to support the CIRB process.
- TIRA received by BRANY IRB on May 26th and IRB review was completed on June 1st



How Does BRANY IRB Fit Into the Existing Process?

Foundational Step:
Reliance Agreement established between Registry's IRB and BRANY IRB



Expectations for 2022

- Continue- Teleconferences
- Obtain- IAAs and LRCs
- Refine- Workflow & SOPs
- Launch- BRANY IRB Webpage for VPR-CLS
 - Useful Forms and Links, FAQ's, Contact Information, etc.
- Review Future Requests



Questions?



Contact:

branyirb@brany.com

