Vision

Carequality is a public-private collaborative that facilitates agreement among diverse stakeholders to develop and maintain a common interoperability framework enabling seamless exchange between and among networks.

Rationale

While substantial progress has been made to advance interoperable exchange of health information, existing networks are generally defined by particular technology platforms, use cases or geographies. This has resulted in multiple networks that operate independent of one another. There is a need for a unifying set of implementation- level requirements, developed through a public-private collaborative process, that apply universally across all of these networks to enable health information to flow seamlessly and securely. Carequality's mission is analogous to the collaboration of the banking industry to connect ATM networks.

Who Is Involved?

Carequality has 35 founding members who supported the launch and ongoing success of the initiative. Nearly 100 volunteers across a diverse spectrum of government and the private sector are actively engaged in Carequality's work.

What Will Carequality Do?

Carequality will bring together a diverse group of representatives from the private sector and government to come to collective agreement on how to enable data to flow seamlessly between and among networks and providers, much like the banking industry did for ATM / ACH transactions.

To enable this level of seamless exchange, Carequality will develop:

- a universal set of trust principles which apply across all Carequality use cases;
- a customizable set of policy principles which can be tailored to specific use cases;
- a use case and implementation guide for specific interoperability capabilities, the first of which is focusing on query-based exchange.
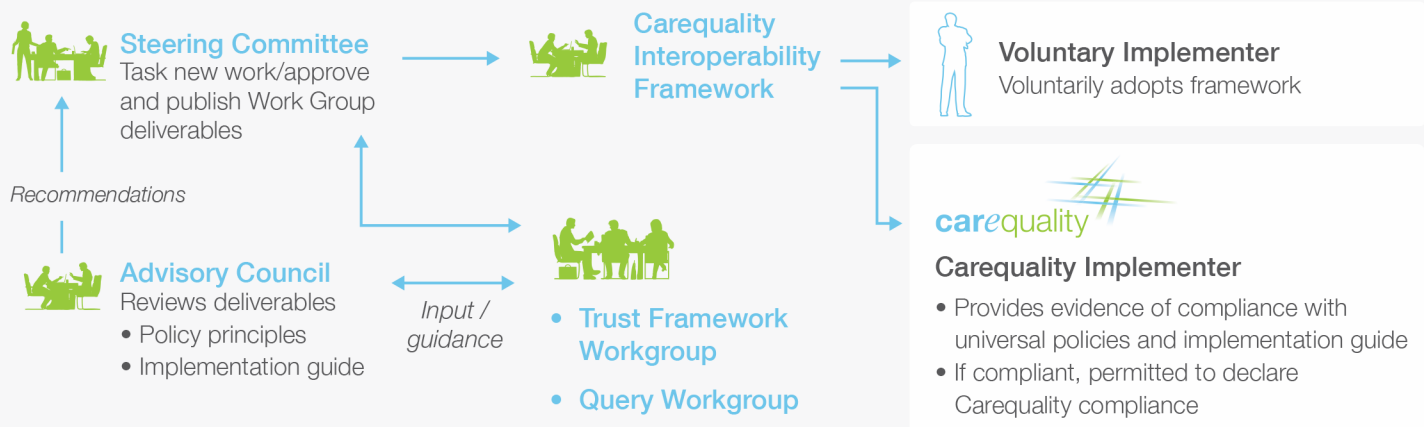
Governance

Healtheway, in its capacity as a non-profit, public-private entity, serves as the convener for Carequality, and provides Carequality with a corporate home.

Carequality will operate based upon the following principles:

- Inclusiveness and transparency
- Flexibility and innovation
- Clear and equitable oversight
- Standards based
- Vendor neutral

How Will Carequality Work?

Steering Committee
Task new work/approve and publish Work Group deliverables

Recommendations

Advisory Council
Reviews deliverables
- Policy principles
- Implementation guide

Input / guidance

Carequality Interoperability Framework

- **Trust Framework Workgroup**
- **Query Workgroup**

Voluntary Implementer
Voluntarily adopts framework

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Carequality Implementer

- Provides evidence of compliance with universal policies and implementation guide
- If compliant, permitted to declare Carequality compliance

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Carequality Members

Thirty-six organizations have joined Carequality to support a public-private collaborative effort to enable the seamless exchange of health information, similar to how the banking industry and government came together for ACH and ATM transactions.

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Carolinas HealthCare System	ICA THE INTEROPERABILITY EXPERTS	MEDVIRGINIA	SAN DIEGO HEALTH CONNECT Better Information • Better Care
CHIC Community Health Information Collaborative	icw Technology for Health	mirth	sandlot solutions
CVS Health	Intermountain Healthcare	MRO Disclosure Management & HIE Solutions	Santa Cruz Health Information Exchange
Dignity Health	KAISER PERMANENTE	NaviNet Where healthcare comes together.	SIEMENS
eClinicalWorks	lifeIMAGE We see care differently.	Netsmart	surescripts
Epic		NYeC NEW YORK eHEALTH COLLABORATIVE	updox
Greenway	matrixcare Superior Care. Better Outcomes.	OBIX perinatal data system BY CLINICAL COMPUTER SYSTEMS INC.	Walgreens
HIELIX HEALTHCARE CONNECTED	medfusion	OPTUM	wedi
			ZOLL