

# Brain Trust Meeting

September 19, 2022



**CARE**

COLLABORATIVE APPROACH FOR  
ASIAN AMERICANS, NATIVE HAWAIIANS &  
PACIFIC ISLANDERS RESEARCH & EDUCATION

HEALTH ACROSS THE LIFESPAN



# Agenda

10:00 – 10:15am	<b>Introduction &amp; Overview of CARE Registry</b> <i>Van Ta Park, PhD, MPH (UC San Francisco)</i>
10:15 – 10:30am	<b>How to use CARE</b> <i>Janice Tsoh, PhD (UC San Francisco)</i>
10:30 – 10:40am	<b>Community Perspectives in Research: Partnership with CARE</b> <i>Quyên Vuong, MSW, MBA (International Children Assistance Network)</i>
10:40 – 10:50am	<b>Potential Research Opportunities</b> <i>Oanh Meyer, PhD, MAS (UC Davis)</i>
10:50 – 11:00am	<b>Q&amp;A + Raffles + Evaluation</b>



# Introduction & Overview of CARE Registry

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# Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians & Pacific Islanders (AANHPI)

Asian Americans are the fastest growing racial group in the U.S.:<sup>1</sup>

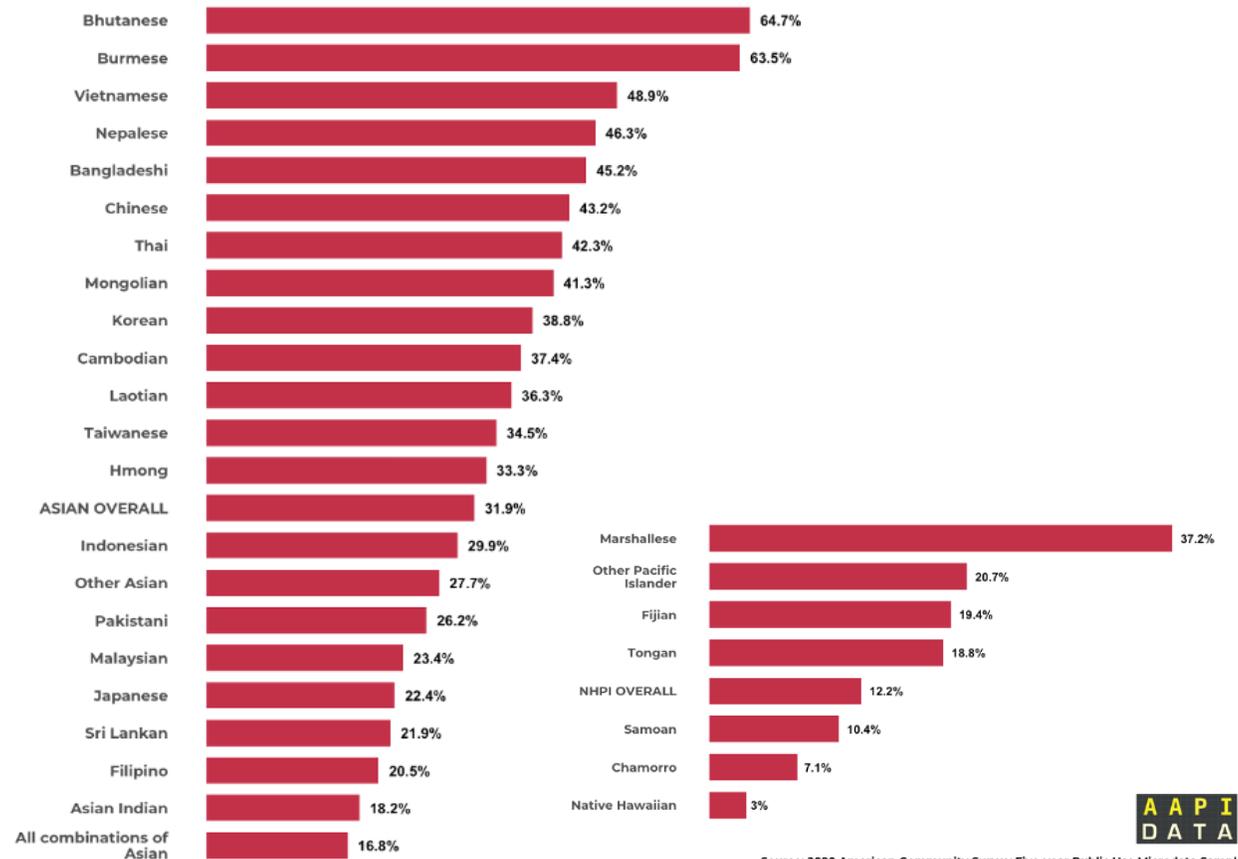
7.7% of the population  
 30 AA & 21 NHPI groups  
 20 million AA & 1.6 million NHPI



- Heterogeneous group
- Languages & dialects (>100)
- Cultural groups (>50)
- Immigration patterns
- Religions
- Diet
- SES



Percentage of population with Limited English Proficiency by Asian and NHPI national origin<sup>2</sup>



Source: 2020 American Community Survey Five-year Public Use Microdata Sample

<sup>1</sup> Census Bureau: <https://www.census.gov/library/stories/2021/08/improved-race-ethnicity-measures-reveal-united-states-population-much-more-multiracial.html>

<sup>2</sup> AAPI Data: <https://aapidata.com/blog/2022-national-demographics/>

# Disparities in Research Participation for AANHPI Populations

- Clinical research projects focusing on AANHPI participants funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) was less than 1% of its total budget between 1992 and 2018.<sup>1</sup>
- Of the 45,923 participants who were enrolled in ADRD studies at Alzheimer's Disease Research Centers, only 2.7% were AANHPI participants.<sup>2</sup>
- Challenges to participation in research:
  - Cultural differences
  - Linguistic limitations
  - Lack of education in research practices



<sup>1</sup> Doan, Takata, Sakuma, & Irvin (2019). *JAMA Network Open*.

<sup>2</sup> National Alzheimer's Coordinating Center (NACC). Web-based Query System. 2018; <https://www.alz.washington.edu/WEB/naccquery.html>. Accessed August 30, 2022.

## Paving the Way for Meaningful Inclusion of AANHPI Participants in Research

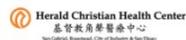
- To address the gap and reduce disparities in research participation in ADRD, aging, caregiving, and other health issues across the lifespan among AANHPI populations.
- CARE implements culturally appropriate and innovative recruitment strategies with our community partners to enroll 10,000 AANHPI adults.
- We aim to give AANHPI communities a voice and the opportunity to participate in such future research through enrollment in the CARE registry!



# CARE's Multi-Site Collaboration



# CARE Partners & Community Advisory Board



# CARE Registry

## Who can enroll?

- Self-identify as AANHPI background
- 18+ years old
- Speak and/or read English, Chinese, Hindi, Korean, Vietnamese or Samoan
- Interest in participating in potential research



Participants complete an **online survey** (10-15 min) **by phone**, or in-person

CARE phone lines:

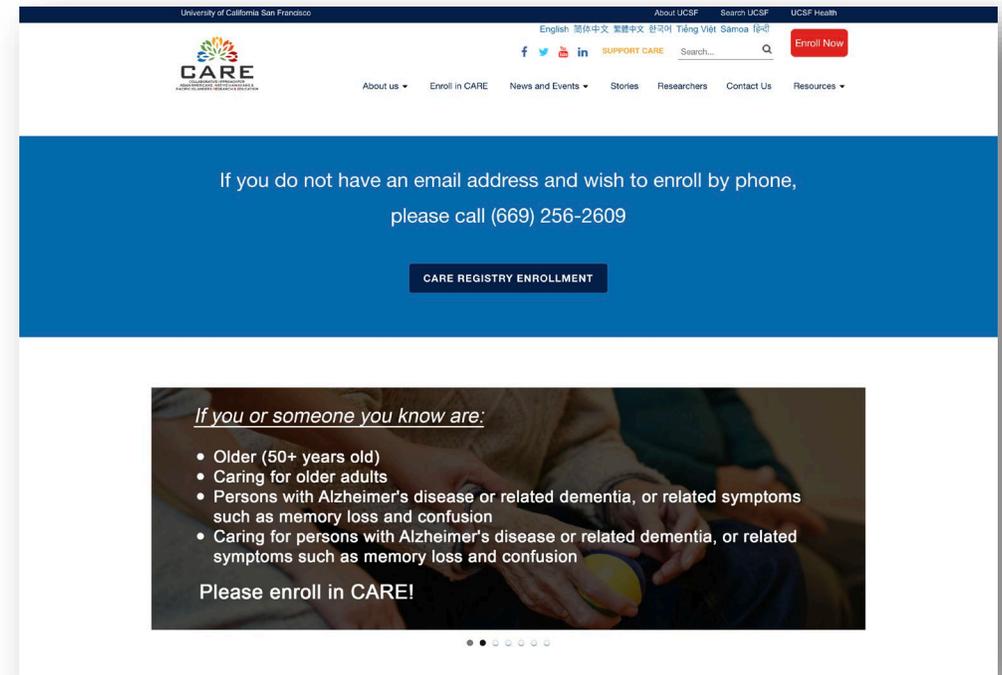
廣東話 / Cantonese (415) 735-6809      普通话 / Mandarin (415) 735-6809  
한국어 / Korean (415) 742-1357      Tiếng Việt / Vietnamese (415) 580-0845



CARE Enrollment Survey available in **6 languages**



Participants have the option to **receive a \$10 gift card** after completing the enrollment survey





# CARE Registry's Enrollment Survey Questions

Socio-demographic information

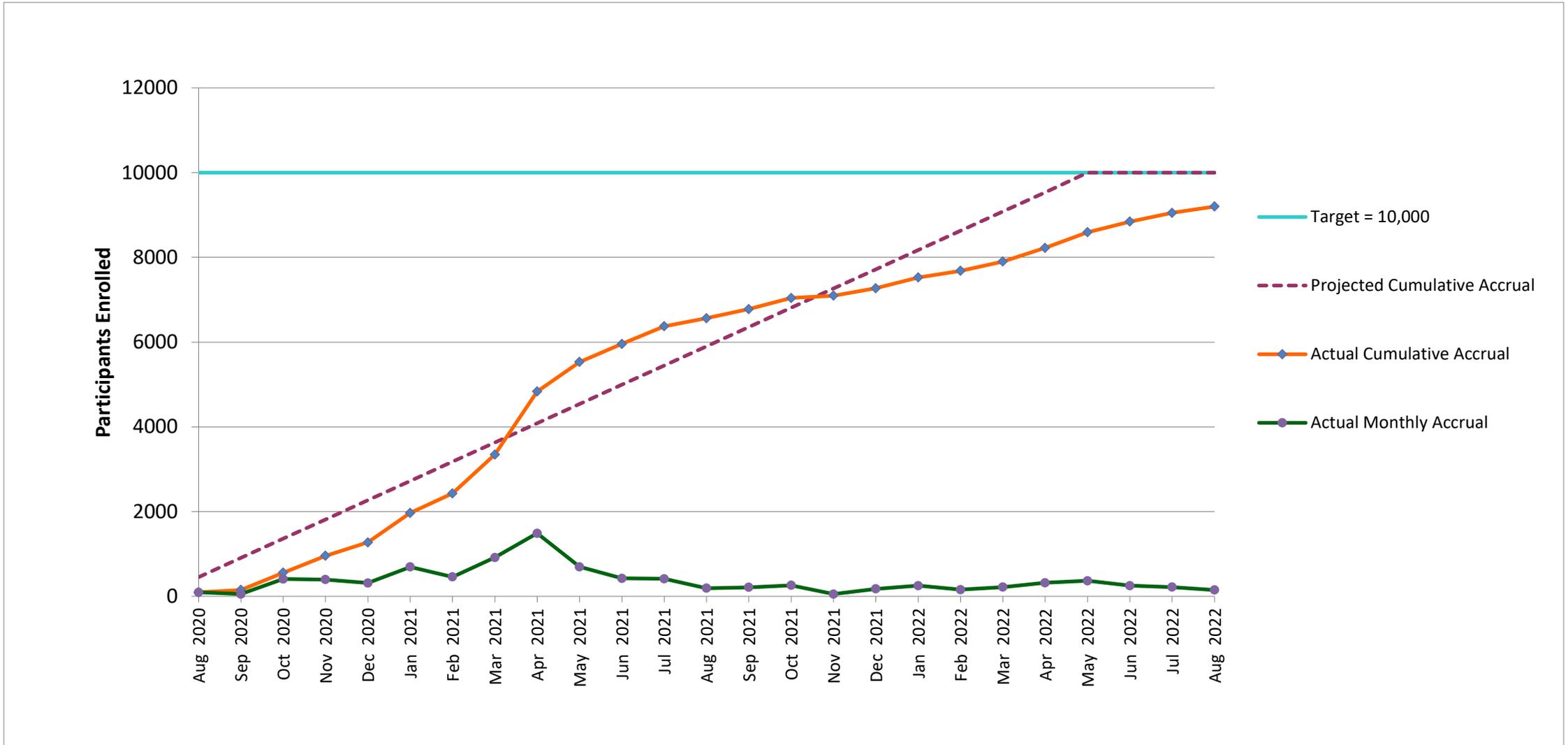
Health conditions (e.g., neurological disease and related symptoms such as Alzheimer's disease; heart disease; cancer; mood-related issues)

Health behaviors (e.g., smoking; physical activity; diet)

Caregiving experiences (if applicable)

# CARE Registry Enrollment:

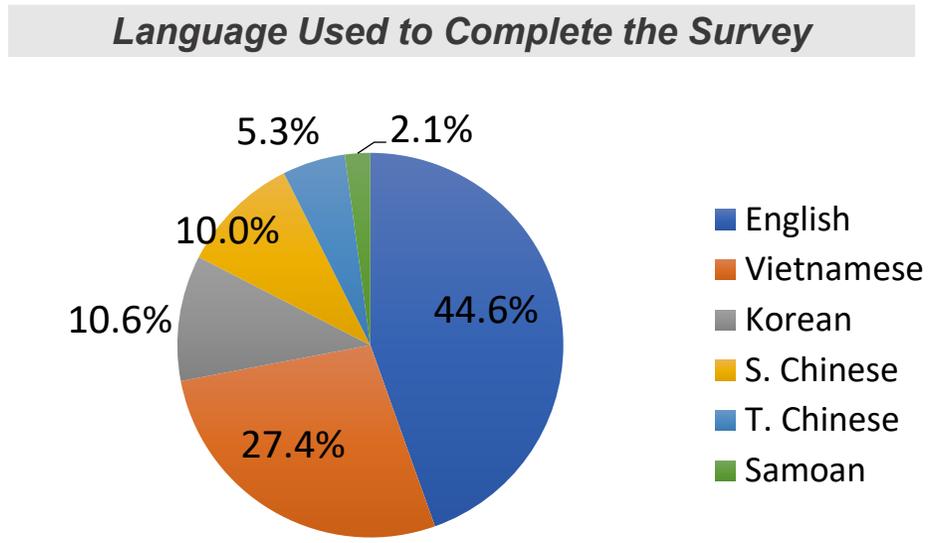
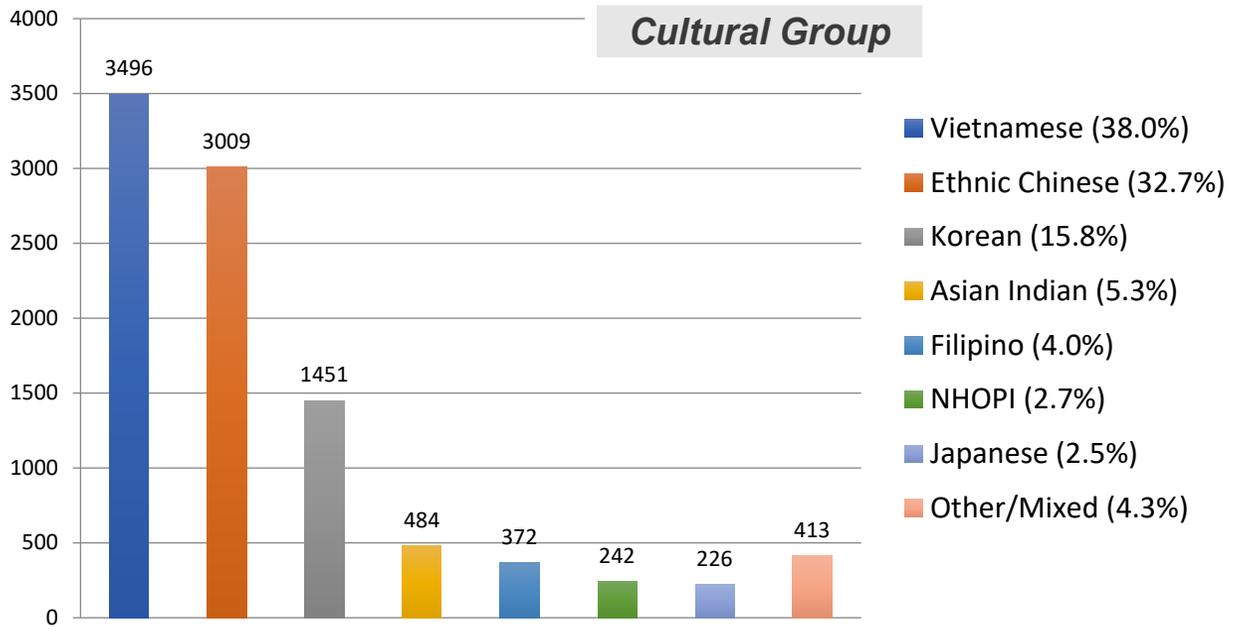
N=9,277 as of Sep 11, 2022 (93% of our 10,000 target goal )



# CARE Snapshot: N=9,277

-  **84.3%** Born outside of U.S.
-  **86.7%** Californian
-  **10.7%** Caregivers of older adults or person with special needs
-  **81%** no research participation experience

-  Mean age = **54.1** (range 18-100)  
Age over 65 = **31.9%**
-  **62.6%** Female     **35.7%** Male
-  **55.9%** Limited English proficiency
-  **13.1%** (N=1,218) with ADRD symptoms





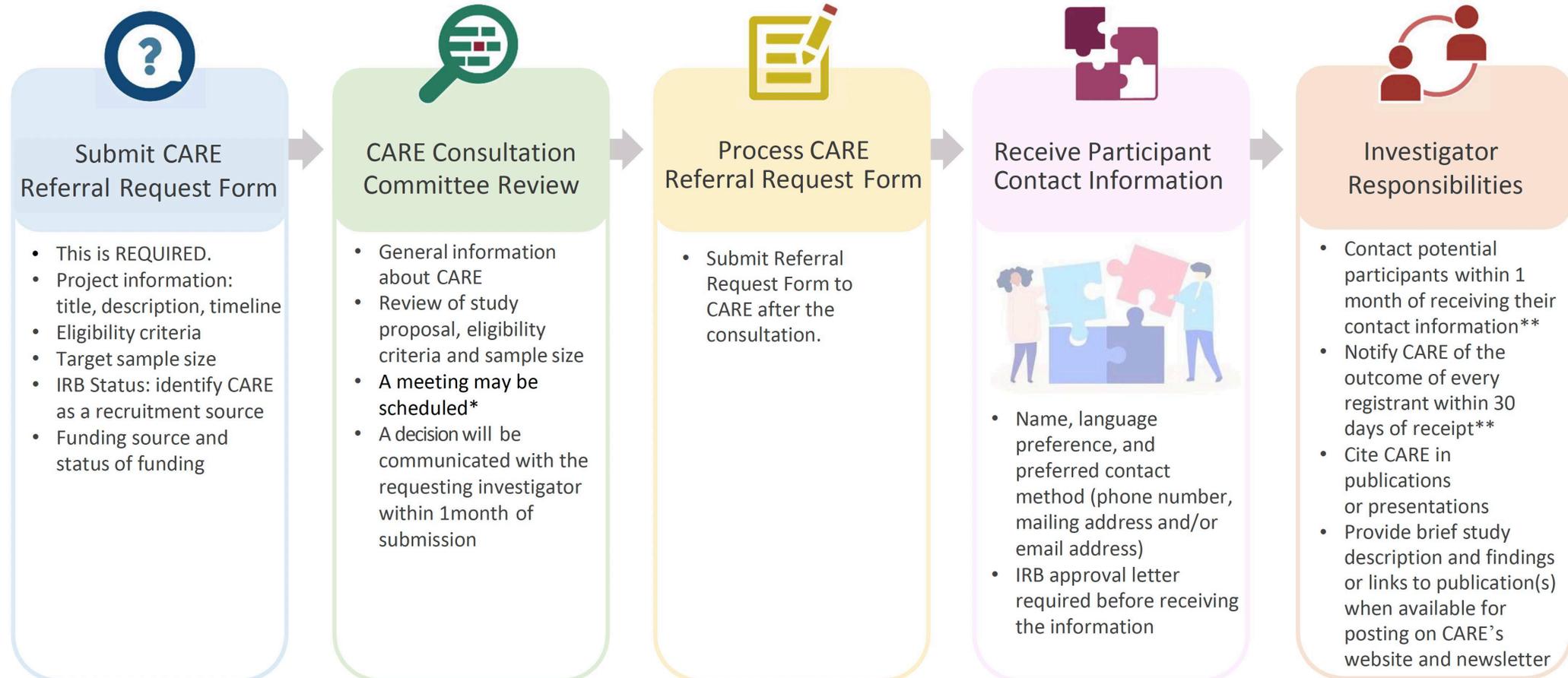
# How to Use CARE

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# CARE-Supported Recruitment Flowchart

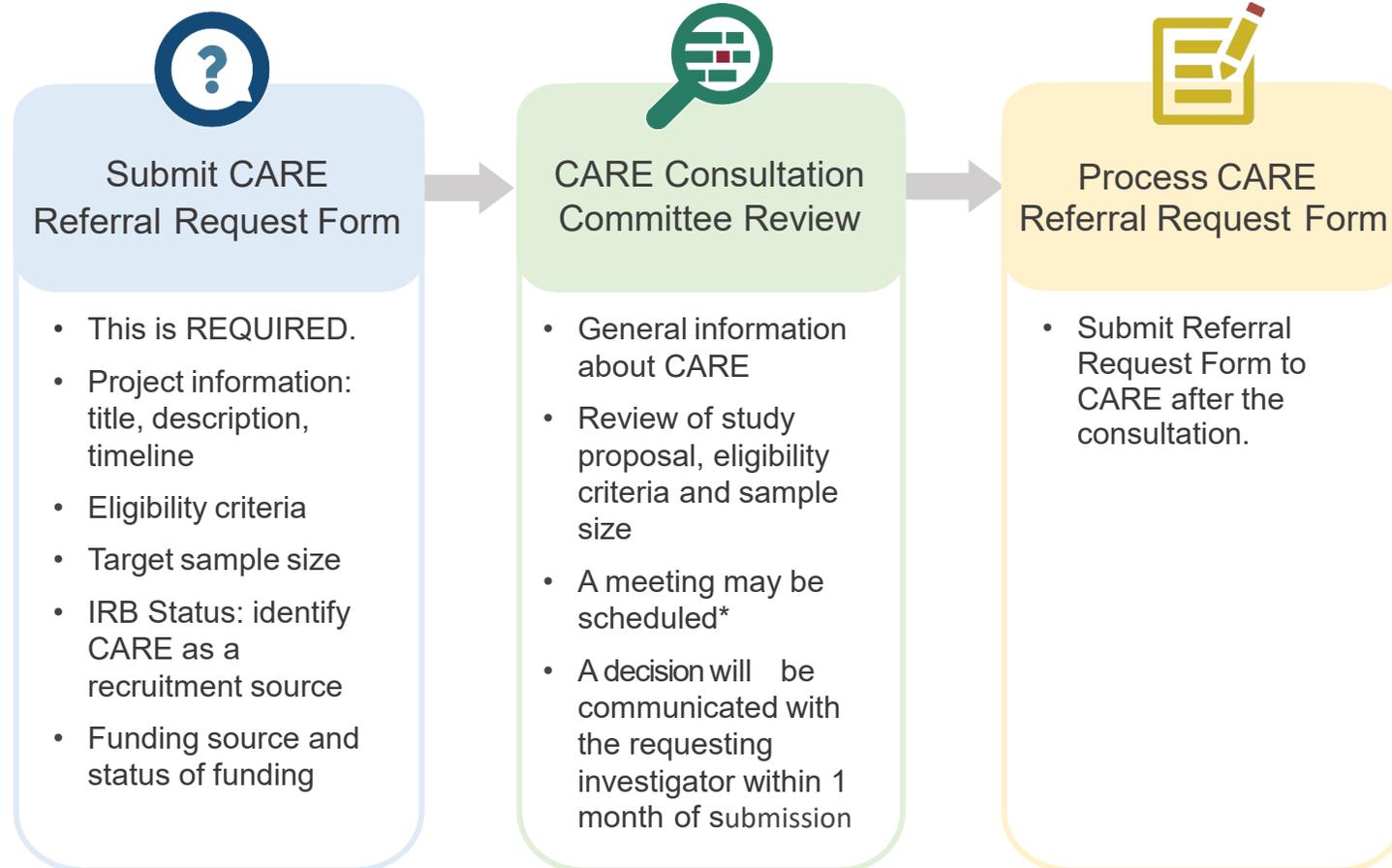
CARE-Supported Recruitment Flowchart



\*Depending on the nature of the request, the requesting investigator will be contacted by a CARE Consultation Committee member to discuss the proposal in detail and provide the consultation services requested. Proposals that involve substantial commitment of CARE resources will receive further review and budgetary consideration by the CARE investigators before approval.

\*\*This is a general guideline primarily for prospective and/or in-person studies. Investigator responsibilities may be discussed on a case-by-case basis for other types of study designs such as surveys.

# CARE-Supported Recruitment Step 1-3



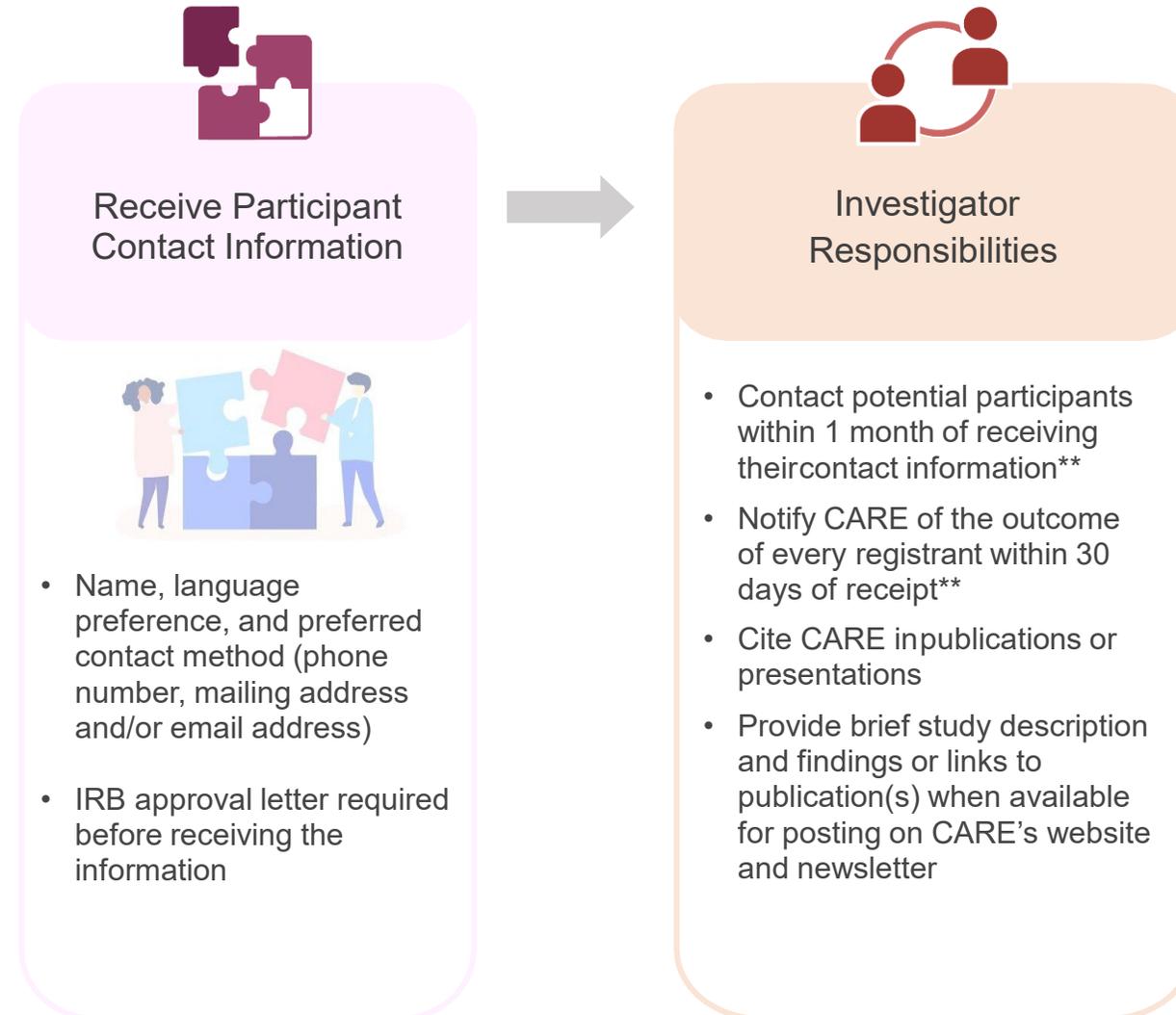


**CARE Referral Request Form**

Contact information	
Principal Investigator:	PI Email:
Study Contact:	Study Contact Email:
Study Information	
Study Title:	
Have you scheduled a consultation meeting with us to discuss recruiting participants from CARE? (If not, please email Marian Tzuang, PhD, MSW, CARE Research Analyst at <a href="mailto:yuan.tzuang@ucsf.edu">yuan.tzuang@ucsf.edu</a> to schedule it.) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "Yes", please fill out the sections below based on consultation with CARE.	
If "No", please fill out the sections below as appropriate. What kinds of assistance would you like to receive from the consultation?* (check all that apply) <input type="checkbox"/> Study design <input type="checkbox"/> Eligibility criteria <input type="checkbox"/> Sample size <input type="checkbox"/> Translation <input type="checkbox"/> Letter of support <input type="checkbox"/> Templates for emails and participant communication <input type="checkbox"/> Other, please specify:	
<small>*Consultation will be provided in the context of the CARE Registry.</small>	
<b>Study Recruitment Status:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Ongoing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ClinicalTrials.gov ID (if applicable):</li> <li>• Study website (if applicable):</li> <li>• Other public access / study registration (if applicable):</li> </ul> <input type="checkbox"/> Preparing for recruitment	
<b>Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) Cultural Group of Interest:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> All AAPI <input type="checkbox"/> Asian Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Chinese <input type="checkbox"/> Ethnic Chinese (Hauren) <input type="checkbox"/> Filipino <input type="checkbox"/> Korean <input type="checkbox"/> Japanese <input type="checkbox"/> Native Hawaiian <input type="checkbox"/> Samoan <input type="checkbox"/> Taiwanese <input type="checkbox"/> Vietnamese <input type="checkbox"/> Other AAPI cultural group(s), please specify:	
<b>Study Description and Goals:</b>  	

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# CARE-Supported Recruitment Step 4-5



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## CARE-Supported Recruitment

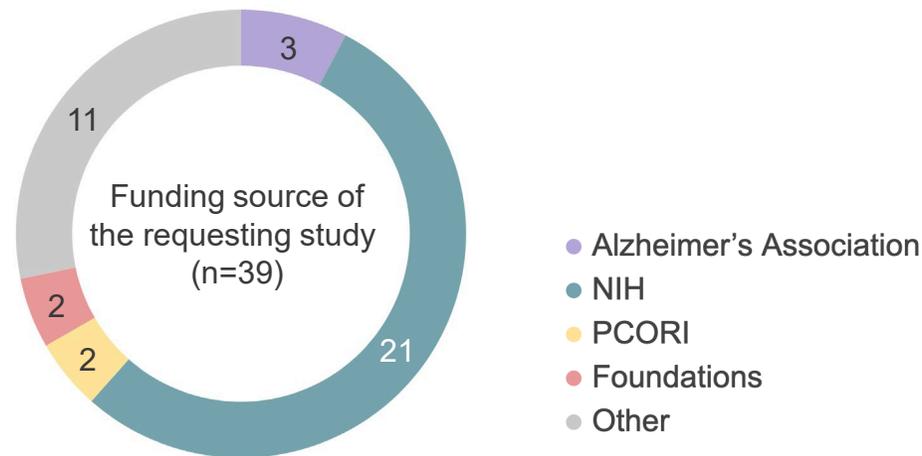
- Download CARE Recruitment Referral Form at:  
<https://careregistry.ucsf.edu/researchers>
- CARE team may request a consultation meeting to discuss the proposed recruitment referral in detail.
- Proposals that involve substantial commitment of CARE resources will receive further review and budgetary consideration by the CARE investigators before approval.

# CARE-Supported Recruitment Requests (N=50 as of Sep 7, 2022)

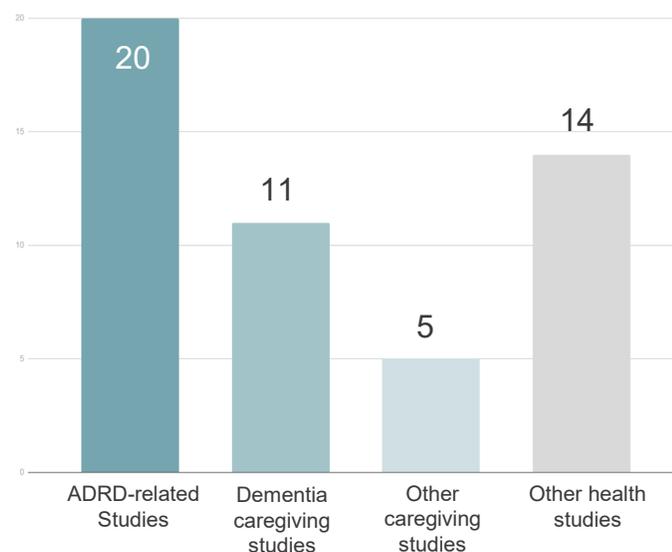
As of September 7, 2022, 5,530 CARE participants have been referred to 27 studies.

24 of the requesting studies (48%) have study materials or personnel support for participants in English and at least one other AANHPI language.

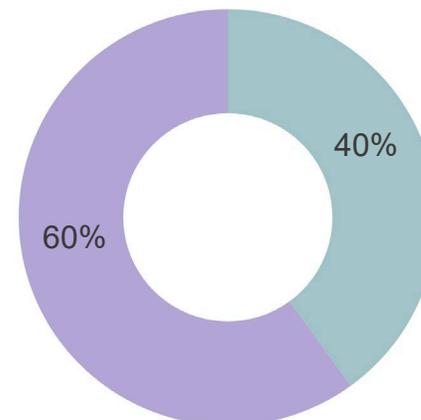
### Funding Sources



### Research Area



Legend: All AANHPI (teal), Specific AANHPI Group (purple)



# Example: SHARE Project (PI: Dr. JiWon Choi)

## Referral Request Received

Late January 2021

## CARE Committee Review

Early February 2021

- Asked PI to obtain IRB approval to include CARE as a recruitment source
- Clarified participant eligibility
- Initial query to identify potentially eligible participants:
  - 1) age  $\geq 50$ ; 2) male; 3) self-identified as Korean American; 4) caring for someone with dementia

## Share CARE Participant Contact Information

Mid-February 2021

- Received IRB approval letter (including protocol that list CARE as recruitment source) from PI
- Name, language preference, and preferred contact method were shared with the study team
- Provided templates for invitation letter, email and phone script to explain why CARE participants are contacted
- Provided tracking log to study team to document contact outcomes (to be returned within 30 days of receiving participant contact information)

## Notify CARE of Contact Outcomes

Mid-March 2021



# Community Perspectives in Research – Partnership with CARE

**Quyen Vuong, MBA, MSW, ASW**  
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Executive Director

International Children Assistance Network (ICAN)

# International Children Assistance Network (ICAN)



## ICAN's Mission

To **ENGAGE, INFORM, and INSPIRE** Vietnamese-Americans to raise the next generation of Caring leaders through **Humanitarian Programs, Culturally Responsive Social Programs, and Community Based Research**

We strive to help children and youth realize their potential by building strong families and community support networks to provide them with the skills, confidence, and opportunities to succeed in life.

Through our programs, we empower children and youth to become caring, responsible, and productive members of their families and communities. By spreading the spirit of "youth empowering youth," they will pioneer the way to a brighter future.



# Engaged, Informed, Inspired -

*To Raise the Next Generation of Caring Leaders*



## Quyen Vuong – Executive Director

*“What inspires ICAN to partner with the CARE team is the opportunity to give Vietnamese Americans a voice in research.*

*We believe that if we can help produce relevant information about Vietnamese Americans in research, then the Vietnamese American community can get relevant research about ourselves that would benefit our community as well as the broader AANHPI community.*

*The key to CARE is the important relationship between the academic partners (UCSF, UCD, UCI) and the community engagement partners like ICAN.”*



## Community-based Research

Outreach through different angles and address different needs



Engage and educate community on variety of issues



Increase representation of Vietnamese Americans in research



Build lasting impact and trust with the community

## Ongoing studies

- CARE ([careregistry.ucsf.edu/](http://careregistry.ucsf.edu/))
- COMPASS I & II ([compass.ucsf.edu/](http://compass.ucsf.edu/))
- Vietnamese Insights into Aging Program (VIP) ([health.ucdavis.edu/neurology/vip/](http://health.ucdavis.edu/neurology/vip/))
- Dementia & caregiving related studies



# Potential Research Opportunities with CARE

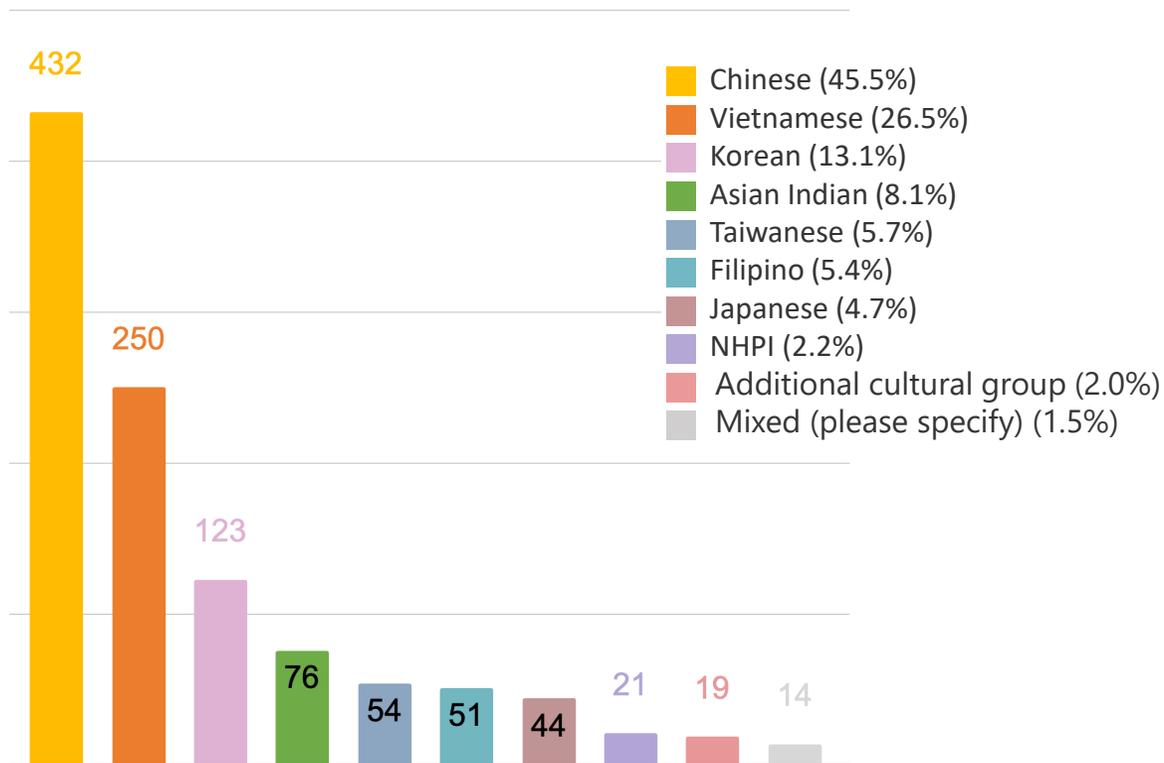
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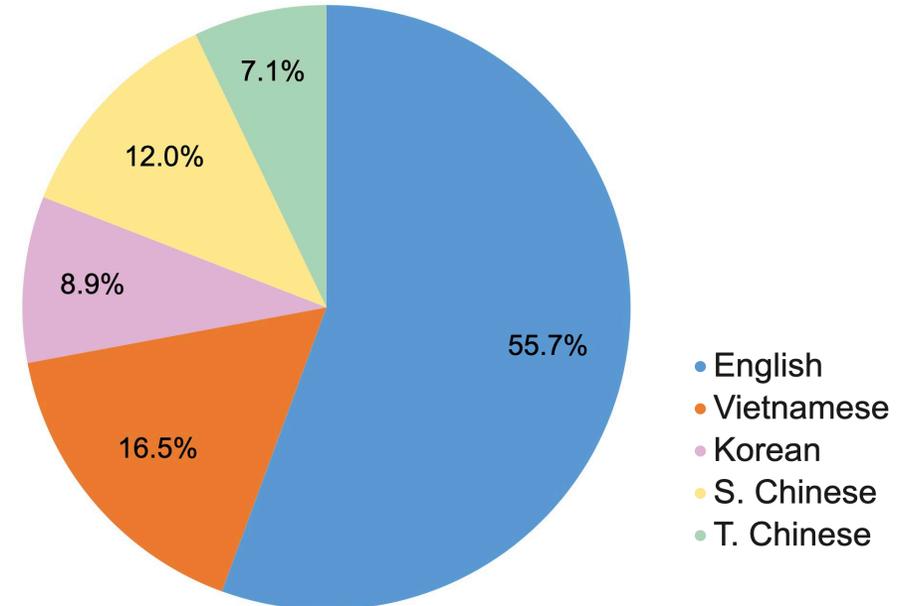
# Snapshot of Caregivers (N=950)

- Mean age: 50.9 years (Range 18-88)
- Female: 74.3%; Male 24.5%
- Cultural groups:

- Foreign born: 79%
- Limited English Proficiency: 43.6%



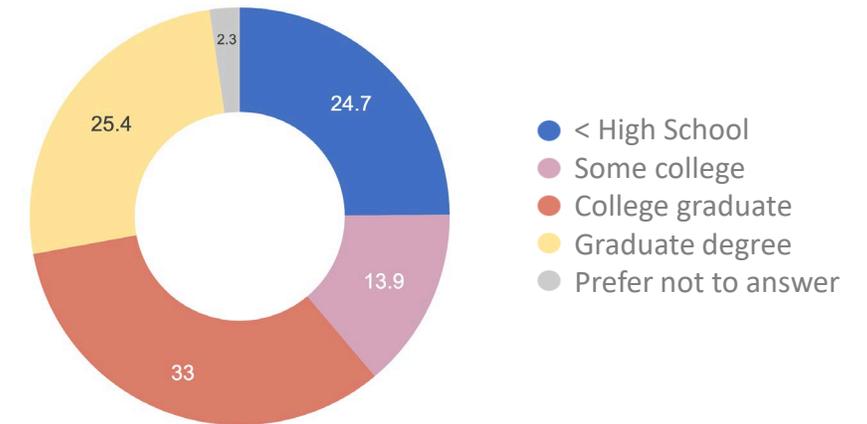
Language Used to Complete the Survey



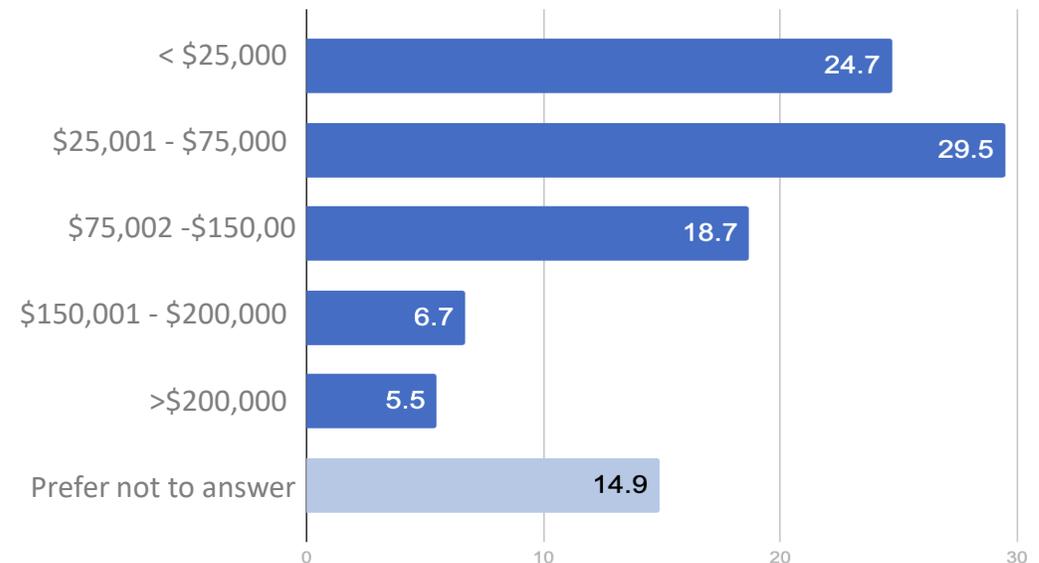
## Snapshot of Caregivers (cont.)

- 39% of caregivers were caring for someone with ADRD
- Care recipient health issues:
  - High blood pressure: 40.9%
  - High cholesterol: 26.0%
  - Heart disease: 12.4%
  - Diabetes: 23.5%
  - Sleep problems: 18.5%
  - Hard of hearing or hearing loss: 14.9%
  - Osteoarthritis: 14.8%
  - Mood related issues: 13.9%
  - Chronic Pain: 12.2%
  - Cancer: 7.8%

### Education Level



### Income Level





# Caregiver-related data in CARE Registry

- Care recipient:
  - Minor children
  - Older adults ( $\geq 50$  years)
  - Individuals with special needs ( $< 50$  years)
- Relationship
- Living together
- Age of care recipient
- Health issues of care recipient
- Hours of caregiving
- Activities provided for care recipient

## Profile of CARE Participants (N(%) or mean $\pm$ SD)

	All (N=9,198)	Self-Reported ADRD (N=1,186)	ADRD Caregivers (N=371)
<b>Age</b>	53.0 $\pm$ 17.2	64.6 $\pm$ 14.5	53.3 $\pm$ 13.2
<b>Foreign-born</b>	7,763 (84.4)	1,153 (96.7)	241 (77.5%)
<b>Cultural groups</b>			
Vietnamese	3,496 (38.0)	1,020 (86.0)	110 (29.6)
Ethnic Chinese	3,009 (32.7)	118 (9.9)	164 (44.2)
Korean	1,451 (15.8)	23 (1.9)	42 (11.3)
Asian Indian	484 (5.3)	14 (1.2)	25 (6.7)
Filipino	372 (4.0)	8 (0.7)	16 (4.3)
Japanese	226 (2.5)	12 (1.0)	26 (7.0)
NHPI	242 (2.7)	7 (0.6)	7 (1.9)
Mixed	96 (1.0)	7 (0.6)	7 (1.9)
Other	317 (3.4)	5 (0.4)	7 (1.9)



# Q&A + Raffles

**Please complete our evaluation survey:**  
**[tinyurl.com/CAREbraintrustSep2022](https://tinyurl.com/CAREbraintrustSep2022)**



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