## REPORTING & ATTRIBUTION ENGINE — PLAYBOOK LITE

# ANALYTICS

CLOSED-LOOP MARKETING ANALYTICS
BUILT ON GA4 + CRM + LOOKER



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## Reporting & Attribution Engine Playbook (Lite)

## Objective

Deliver a closed-loop reporting system that ties spend  $\rightarrow$  leads  $\rightarrow$  pipeline  $\rightarrow$  revenue. Eliminate vanity metrics, prove ROI, and guide investment decisions with confidence.

### Step 1. Define Revenue Model + Attribution Rules

- Align with CFO/RevOps on revenue definitions (bookings vs. revenue, net vs. gross).
- Choose primary attribution model (W-shape for B2B, position-based for SMB) with GA4 + CRM mapping.
- Document channel → opportunity mapping rules (ads, content, events, email).

### Step 2. Configure GA4 for Marketing Source Integrity

- Standardize **UTM structure** (Campaign, Source, Medium, Content, Term).
- Build GA4 events + conversions tied to business goals (form fills, demo requests, trial signups).
- Enable BigQuery export for downstream joins.

### Step 3. Sync CRM for Pipeline Data

- Connect GA4/BigQuery to CRM (HubSpot, Salesforce, Dynamics, etc.).
- Map lead  $\rightarrow$  contact  $\rightarrow$  opportunity  $\rightarrow$  revenue stages.
- Ensure Campaign IDs & UTM fields persist in CRM.

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• QA: Test sample leads to confirm source/medium/campaign carry into opportunity records.

## Step 4. Build the Closed-Loop Data Model

- In BigQuery/Looker, join:
  - GA4 session & conversion data
  - CRM opportunity + revenue data
  - o Campaign cost data (Google Ads, LinkedIn, Meta, etc.).
- Normalize to Campaign  $\rightarrow$  Lead  $\rightarrow$  Opportunity  $\rightarrow$  Revenue flow.

## Step 5. Design Executive Dashboards (Looker)

- CMO / VP Dashboard: Pipeline velocity, ROI by channel, CAC vs. LTV, time to revenue.
- **Demand Gen Dashboard:** Campaign ROI, conversion rates, influenced vs. sourced pipeline.
- Sales/RevOps Dashboard: Opportunity quality by source, deal cycle benchmarks.
- Build drill-downs from high-level KPIs into campaign-level performance.

## Step 6. Establish Governance & Cadence

- Weekly: Review pipeline velocity & ROI with marketing + sales.
- Monthly: Optimize budget allocation across channels based on attribution insights.
- Quarterly: Reassess attribution model & update rules as business evolves.
- Document data QA process (spot-check leads, revenue reconciliation).

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## Deliverable

A fully operational closed-loop attribution engine producing **trusted dashboards** that tie every dollar of spend to pipeline and revenue impact. Lite version deployable in **6-8 weeks** with one analyst + one RevOps resource.

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## Step 1: Define Revenue Model + Attribution Rules (Execution Guide)

## 1.1 Align on Revenue Definitions

Objective: Avoid "dueling dashboards" between Marketing, Sales, and Finance.

#### Actions:

 Convene a Revenue Alignment Workshop with CFO, RevOps, Sales Ops, and Marketing Ops.

#### 2. Document:

- Revenue metric of record: Booked ARR vs. Recognized Revenue vs. Cash Collected.
- Pipeline definition: Opportunity stage where Marketing influence is credited (e.g., Stage 2 = Sales Accepted Opportunity).
- o Closed Won revenue inclusion: New business only? Renewals? Upsells?
- 3. Write a Revenue Dictionary (1-page doc):
  - "Revenue" = Net New Closed Won ARR
  - "Pipeline" = Opportunities at Stage 2+
  - "Sourced" = First-touch lead originated by marketing
  - o "Influenced" = Any opportunity with ≥1 marketing touch pre-close

Deliverable: A signed-off Revenue Definition Charter that all teams use.

## 1.2 Select Attribution Model

Objective: Agree on how credit is distributed across marketing touches.

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#### Actions:

- 1. Present Attribution Model Options:
  - Single-Touch: First-touch or Last-touch (simple, directional only).
  - Multi-Touch:
    - Linear (equal split).
    - Time-Decay (later touches weighted more).
    - W-Shape (30% first-touch, 40% opportunity creation, 30% last-touch).
    - Custom (e.g., "hero moments" weighted).
- 2. Run a model comparison test on last 3 months of data (simulate in Google Analytics 4's Attribution reports or Looker Studio).
- 3. Select Primary Model (W-shape recommended for B2B SaaS).
- 4. Document Secondary Views for edge cases:
  - o Content attribution (time-decay).
  - o Paid media ROI (last-touch).

Deliverable: A Marketing Attribution Playbook (5 pages, visual examples of each model + rationale).

## 1.3 Document Channel → OpportunityMapping

Objective: Standardize how marketing sources get tied to pipeline.

#### Actions:

- 1. Lock in UTM governance (see Step 2 playbook):
  - Required fields: utm\_source, utm\_medium, utm\_campaign, utm\_content, utm\_term.

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- Paid Search = utm\_medium="cpc"
- Paid Social = utm\_medium="paid\_social"
- Organic Social = utm\_medium="social"
- Email = utm\_medium="email"
- Events = utm\_medium="event"

#### 2. Ensure CRM has Campaign Object with:

- o Campaign ID
- o Source/Medium mapping
- Date range
- o Budget/spend
- o Expected ROI

#### 3. Define Source Hierarchy Logic (example):

- $\circ$  If utm\_medium exists  $\rightarrow$  take GA4 campaign source.
- $\circ$  Else if CRM Campaign ID exists  $\rightarrow$  map to parent channel.
- Else if referral exists → "Referral."
- Else → "Direct."

#### Deliverable: A Channel Mapping Matrix (Excel/Google Sheet):

CRM	UTM	UTM	GA4 Default Channel	Final	Notes
Campaign ID	Source	Medium	Grouping	Channel	

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## 1.4 Establish Rules for "Sourced" vs. "Influenced"

Objective: Eliminate gray areas in reporting.

#### Actions:

- 1. Define Sourced Opportunity Rule:
  - Must have first-touch = Marketing channel.
  - Lead created by inbound form, paid campaign, event, or content syndication.
- 2. Define Influenced Opportunity Rule:
  - Any contact from Marketing channel tied to an opportunity before stage 2.
  - Example: Email nurture engagement, webinar attendance, ad click.
- 3. Decide whether to allow multi-channel influence credit (recommended).

Deliverable: A Sourced vs. Influenced Policy Deck (slide with examples of real opps).

## 1.5 Validate with a Pilot Test

Objective: Pressure-test before rollout.

#### Actions:

- 1. Pull last quarter's closed deals.
- 2. Run parallel reports:
  - Finance report (actual revenue).
  - Marketing attribution report (GA4 + CRM).
- 3. Compare deltas  $\rightarrow$  refine mapping rules until alignment within <5% variance.
- 4. Present back to leadership for final sign-off.

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Deliverable: A Pilot Attribution Report (one-pager comparing Finance vs. Marketing view).

### Step 1 Output

- A Revenue Definition Charter everyone agrees on.
- A Primary Attribution Model (W-shape baseline, alternatives documented).
- A Channel Mapping Matrix with source rules.
- A Sourced vs. Influenced Policy Deck.
- A Pilot Report proving alignment.

### Result

Marketing's dashboards will be trusted in the boardroom. Finance, Sales, and Marketing see the same numbers, eliminating credibility gaps.

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## Step 2: Configure GA4 for Marketing Source Integrity (Execution Guide)

### 2.1 Standardize UTM Governance

Objective: Ensure every click can be tied back to its true campaign.

#### Actions:

- Define mandatory fields:
  - o utm\_source = platform (google, linkedin, meta, etc.)
  - utm\_medium = channel classification (cpc, paid\_social, email, event, organic\_social)
  - utm\_campaign = initiative name (q3\_enterprise\_abm, product\_launch\_apr2025)
  - o utm\_content = ad creative / offer variant
  - o utm\_term = keyword (for search)
- 2. Create a UTM Builder Sheet (Google Sheet) with:
  - Data validation for consistent values.
  - Auto-concatenate URL builder.
  - o Governance notes (e.g., no spaces, use underscores).
- 3. Train campaign managers: "No UTM, no launch."

Deliverable: A UTM Governance Guide + Builder Sheet.

## 2.2 Configure GA4 Events & Conversions

Objective: Track the right user actions tied to business value.

#### Actions:

- 1. In GA4 Admin → Events:
  - Configure key events: form\_submit, demo\_request, trial\_signup, content\_download, event\_registration.
  - Mark high-value events as Conversions.
- 2. Add parameters to events (via GTM):
  - o form\_id, page\_path, campaign\_id.
  - Push UTMs into dataLayer on page load.
- 3. QA: Trigger each form/test action in staging, verify events fire in Realtime GA4.

Deliverable: A Conversion Event Map with event name, trigger, and downstream CRM mapping.

## 2.3 Implement BigQuery Export

Objective: Create a raw data lake for joining with CRM.

#### Actions:

- 1. In GA4 Admin → BigQuery Linking:
  - o Connect GA4 property → BigQuery project.
  - Choose Daily export + streaming export if possible.
- 2. Validate: Confirm BigQuery receives tables: events\_intraday\_, events\_YYYYMMDD.
- 3. Document schema:
  - Fields required: user\_pseudo\_id, session\_id, utm\_\*, event\_name, event\_timestamp.

Deliverable: BigQuery Data Pipeline Schema (data dictionary + ERD diagram).

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## 2.4 Clean Default Channel Groupings

Objective: Align GA4 channels with CRM and finance.

#### Actions:

- 1. In GA4 → Admin → Data Settings → Channel Grouping:
  - Customize defaults:
    - Map utm\_medium=cpc → "Paid Search."
    - Map utm\_medium=paid\_social → "Paid Social."
    - Map utm\_medium=email → "Email."
    - Map utm\_medium=event → "Event Marketing."
- 2. QA: Run test clicks with UTMs and confirm attribution in GA4 acquisition reports.

Deliverable: A Channel Grouping Policy Doc with exact mapping rules.

## 2.5 Set Up Campaign Cost Import

Objective: Tie ad spend to campaign ROI.

#### Actions:

- 1. In GA4  $\rightarrow$  Admin  $\rightarrow$  Data Import  $\rightarrow$  Cost Data.
- 2. Import Google Ads automatically (link account).
- 3. For LinkedIn/Meta: schedule daily export via Supermetrics/ETL into BigQuery.
- 4. Normalize schema: Campaign ID, Impressions, Clicks, Spend.

Deliverable: Cost Data Integration Sheet documenting each platform's import method.

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### 2.6 Governance & QA

Objective: Maintain trust in source integrity long-term.

#### Actions:

- 1. Weekly QA: Pull top 10 campaigns, check UTM consistency.
- 2. Monthly QA: Reconcile GA4 vs. ad platform spend (variance <5%).
- 3. Quarterly Review: Update channel taxonomy for new platforms.

Deliverable: A GA4 QA Checklist (weekly/monthly/quarterly tasks).

## Step 2 Output (VP-Level Takeaway)

- A UTM Governance Guide + Builder Sheet that locks campaign tracking.
- A Conversion Event Map ensuring GA4 captures pipeline-driving actions.
- A BigQuery Data Pipeline Schema ready for CRM joins.
- A Channel Grouping Policy so marketing and sales speak the same language.
- A Cost Data Integration Sheet tying spend → ROI.
- A QA Checklist to keep it clean.

#### Result

Marketing source integrity is airtight. Every click, conversion, and dollar of spend can flow into the closed-loop model without gaps or finger-pointing.

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## Step 3: Sync CRM for Pipeline Data (Execution Guide)

## 3.1 Connect GA4/BigQuery to CRM

Objective: Make marketing source data visible at the lead and opportunity level.

#### Actions:

- 1. Integration Options:
  - o Native connectors: HubSpot ↔ GA4, Salesforce ↔ Google Ads.
  - Middleware/ETL: Fivetran, Hightouch, Stitch, Zapier for custom GA4 → CRM sync.
  - o **Direct BigQuery** → **CRM:** For orgs with data engineering capacity.
- 2. Push these fields into CRM lead/contact records:
  - utm\_source, utm\_medium, utm\_campaign, utm\_content, utm\_term
  - First-touch timestamp
  - Last-touch timestamp
  - o Session ID (if multi-touch tracking is planned).
- 3. Validate: Create a test lead via a tagged form fill, confirm UTMs appear in CRM.

**Deliverable:** Integration Map (diagram of GA4 → BigQuery → CRM data flow).

## 3.2 Map Lead → Contact → Opportunity → Revenue Stages

Objective: Define how marketing touchpoints move through CRM objects.

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#### Actions:

- 1. In CRM, align with RevOps on object mapping:
  - Lead = net new record from marketing form/event.
  - o Contact = qualified lead linked to an account.
  - o Opportunity = sales-engaged deal with stage.
  - Revenue = Closed Won amount.
- 2. Create field mappings:
  - o Lead Source (high-level channel).
  - Original UTM set (captured at creation).
  - Most Recent UTM set (updated with every new touch).
  - o Primary Campaign ID (linked to CRM Campaign Object).
- 3. Define Lifecycle Stages (MQL, SQL, SAL, Opportunity, Customer).

Deliverable: Lifecycle Mapping Doc (flowchart + field-level mapping table).

## 3.3 Ensure Campaign ID & UTM Fields Persist

Objective: Prevent loss of source data during record merges or stage transitions.

#### Actions:

- 1. Configure CRM rules:
  - o Lock Original UTM fields (read-only, never overwritten).
  - o Update Latest UTM fields dynamically.
- 2. Connect Campaign Object to Opportunities:
  - o Enforce Campaign ID link at opportunity creation.
  - o Require campaign attribution on manual opp creation by sales.

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3. Run QA: Create test records, convert leads → opps, check that UTMs persist.

Deliverable: Data Persistence Rules Sheet (policy doc for UTM + campaign handling).

## 3.4 QA Pipeline Flow

**Objective:** Ensure data actually ties from click  $\rightarrow$  opp  $\rightarrow$  revenue.

#### Actions:

- 1. Create test lead via paid ad with full UTM string.
- 2. Watch journey: Lead created  $\rightarrow$  Contact  $\rightarrow$  Opportunity  $\rightarrow$  Closed Won.
- 3. Validate: UTMs and Campaign ID are present in final Opp record.
- 4. Run a GA4 → CRM join query in BigQuery: confirm pipeline attribution.

Deliverable: QA Test Script (step-by-step test case to validate attribution).

## 3.5 Define Reporting Alignment Rules

Objective: Lock Sales & Marketing into one version of the truth.

#### Actions:

- 1. Agree with RevOps on which field drives attribution in opp records:
  - Primary Campaign ID vs. Original Source.
  - Rule of thumb: Campaign ID for influenced pipeline, Original Source for sourced pipeline.
- 2. Document reporting hierarchy:
  - Lead Source (high-level view).
  - UTM Campaign (specific initiative).

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- o Campaign Object (multi-touch influence).
- 3. Publish an internal "Revenue Attribution FAQ" for sales/marketing teams.

Deliverable: Attribution Governance Deck (slides explaining rules with screenshots).

## Step 3 Output (VP-Level Takeaway)

- Integration Map connecting GA4 → BigQuery → CRM.
- Lifecycle Mapping Doc showing lead → opp → revenue with field-level detail.
- Data Persistence Rules Sheet ensuring UTMs survive record merges.
- QA Test Script to validate closed-loop flow.
- Attribution Governance Deck aligning marketing + sales + finance.

#### Result

Marketing's source and campaign data flow cleanly into CRM, tying every opportunity back to spend. No more broken attribution when leads convert to contacts or opps.

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## **Step 4: Build the Closed-Loop Data Model (Execution Guide)**

### 4.1 Define the Core Data Entities

Objective: Identify the minimum dataset needed for closed-loop attribution.

#### **Entities:**

- 1. GA4 Events (BigQuery) session, user, UTMs, conversion events.
- 2. CRM Records leads, contacts, opportunities, closed revenue.
- 3. Campaign Cost Data spend from Google Ads, LinkedIn, Meta, etc.

Deliverable: Entity-Relationship Diagram (ERD) showing joins between GA4, CRM, and spend.

## 4.2 Normalize Campaign Identifiers

Objective: Ensure data across systems can actually join.

#### Actions:

- 1. Create a Campaign Lookup Table (master sheet in BigQuery):
  - o campaign\_id (primary key).
  - o utm\_source, utm\_medium, utm\_campaign.
  - o CRM Campaign ID.
  - o Finance budget code (if available).
- 2. Map all GA4 UTMs + CRM Campaign IDs  $\rightarrow$  Lookup Table.
- 3. Enforce naming conventions in campaign launches (no new campaign without an ID entry).

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Deliverable: Campaign Lookup Table (BigQuery table + governance doc).

## 4.3 Build the Data Warehouse Layer (BigQuery)

Objective: Consolidate all raw data into clean, joinable tables.

#### Actions:

#### 1. Create base tables:

- o ga4\_sessions (user\_id, session\_id, utm\_\*, event\_name, timestamp).
- crm\_opps (opp\_id, account\_id, stage, amount, close\_date, source, campaign\_id).
- o ad\_spend (campaign\_id, platform, spend, impressions, clicks).

#### 2. Clean + transform:

- Standardize date fields to UTC.
- Deduplicate records (unique opp\_id, unique session\_id).
- o Flatten nested GA4 event parameters.

#### 3. Join logic:

- o ga4\_sessions.utm\_campaign → campaign\_lookup.utm\_campaign.
- o crm\_opps.campaign\_id → campaign\_lookup.crm\_campaign\_id.
- $\circ$  ad\_spend.campaign\_id  $\rightarrow$  campaign\_lookup.campaign\_id.

 $\label{eq:Deliverable:BigQuery} \textbf{SQL Scripts} \ \text{for ETL pipelines}.$ 

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### 4.4 Construct Attribution Views

Objective: Create usable "views" for Looker dashboards.

#### Views:

- 1. Attribution\_Sourced\_View
  - Join opps where original\_source = marketing channel.
  - o Columns: Opp ID, Source, Campaign, Amount, Close Date.

#### 2. Attribution\_Influenced\_View

- Join opps with ≥ 1 contact tied to a marketing campaign.
- Weighted attribution model applied (W-shape recommended).

#### 3. Pipeline\_Velocity\_View

 $\circ$  Opp creation  $\rightarrow$  close dates to calculate velocity by source.

#### 4. ROI\_View

o Campaign spend vs. pipeline vs. closed revenue.

Deliverable: BigQuery Views Pack (SQL + description sheet).

## 4.5 Apply Attribution Model Logic

Objective: Embed attribution rules into queries for consistency.

#### Actions:

- Define attribution weight rules (from Step 1):
  - o W-shape: 30% First-touch, 40% Opp creation, 30% Last-touch.
  - Linear or time-decay as secondary options.

#### 2. Build SQL function:

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- 3. CASE
- 4. WHEN touchpoint\_type = 'First' THEN 0.3 \* opp\_value
- 5. WHEN touchpoint\_type = 'Opp\_Creation' THEN 0.4 \* opp\_value
- 6. WHEN touchpoint\_type = 'Last' THEN 0.3 \* opp\_value
- 7. ELSE 0
- 8. END
- 9. Store results in attribution\_fact table with opp\_id, campaign\_id, revenue\_credit.

Deliverable: Attribution Logic Sheet (with SQL examples + business rules).

## 4.6 Validate with Reconciliation

Objective: Ensure attribution math ties back to Finance.

#### Actions:

- 1. Pull Closed Won total from CRM/Finance.
- 2. Pull Attributed Revenue total from BigQuery.
- 3. Reconcile variance  $\rightarrow$  must be <5%.
- 4. Document reconciliation in monthly QA log.

Deliverable: Attribution Reconciliation Report (one-pager per month).

## Step 4 Output (VP-Level Takeaway)

- Entity-Relationship Diagram (ERD) showing data joins.
- Campaign Lookup Table unifying GA4, CRM, and spend.
- BigQuery ETL Scripts to clean, standardize, and join datasets.

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- Attribution Views Pack for sourced, influenced, velocity, and ROI.
- Attribution Logic Sheet codifying revenue credit distribution.
- Reconciliation Report ensuring Finance and Marketing match.

### Result

A robust closed-loop attribution dataset—trustworthy, reconcilable, and ready to power Looker dashboards.

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## Step 5: Design Executive Dashboards (Looker Execution Guide)

## 5.1 Core Principles

Objective: Ensure dashboards drive decisions, not just display data.

#### Rules:

- 1. One page per persona CMO, Demand Gen, Sales/RevOps.
- 2.  $Top \rightarrow Drill-Down$  KPI at the top, campaign detail below.
- 3. Standardized KPIs same definitions across teams (from Step 1).
- 4. **Live, not static** real-time or daily-refresh Looker dashboards tied to BigQuery Views (Step 4).

## 5.2 CMO / VP Dashboard

Audience: Board-facing view for executive alignment.

#### Top KPIs (tiles):

- Marketing-sourced pipeline (MTD/QTD/YTD).
- Marketing-influenced pipeline.
- ROI by channel (spend vs. closed revenue).
- CAC vs. LTV trend.
- Pipeline velocity (days from opp creation → close).

#### Drill-Downs:

• Channel contribution trend (line chart: pipeline \$ by channel, monthly).

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- Top 10 campaigns by ROI (table: spend, pipeline \$, revenue, ROI%).
- New vs. expansion pipeline (stacked bar).

Deliverable: CMO Dashboard Spec Doc (wireframe + KPI definitions).

## 5.3 Demand Gen Dashboard

Audience: Campaign managers optimizing daily/weekly spend.

#### Top KPIs:

- Cost per MQL / SQL / Opp.
- Conversion rates (visit  $\rightarrow$  lead  $\rightarrow$  opp  $\rightarrow$  revenue).
- Pipeline generated by campaign.
- Influenced opps by campaign.

#### Drill-Downs:

- Campaign ROI leaderboard (table with campaign ID, spend, pipeline, ROI).
- Paid media performance (CPC, CTR, CPL, opp conversion rate).
- Content influence (time-decay revenue by asset).
- Form/conversion breakdown (form type, completion %, opp influence).

Deliverable: Demand Gen Dashboard Spec Doc.

## 5.4 Sales / RevOps Dashboard

Audience: Sales leaders & RevOps bridging opp quality + velocity.

#### Top KPIs:

• Opportunity quality by source (win rate by channel).

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- Avg deal size by source.
- Sales cycle length by source.
- Marketing-influenced opps currently open (pipeline health).

#### Drill-Downs:

- Win rate by channel/campaign (heatmap).
- Cycle length distribution (boxplot: short vs. long cycle deals).
- Rep adoption of campaign opps (table: rep, # opps influenced by marketing, close rate).

Deliverable: Sales/RevOps Dashboard Spec Doc.

## 5.5 Dashboard Build Process

#### Actions:

- 1. Connect Looker to BigQuery:
  - Use Attribution\_Sourced\_View, Attribution\_Influenced\_View, ROI\_View, Pipeline\_Velocity\_View (from Step 4).
- 2. Model LookML (or Explore if lightweight):
  - o Define dimensions: Channel, Campaign, UTM, Opp Stage.
  - o Define measures: Spend, Opp Count, Pipeline \$, Revenue \$.
- 3. Create dashboard wireframes in Figma/whiteboard first.
- 4. Build dashboards in Looker, respecting persona structure.
- 5. **User Acceptance Testing (UAT):** Run with 2 execs + 2 demand gen managers + 2 RevOps users.
- 6. Iterate remove unused tiles, promote key KPls to top row.

Deliverable: Dashboard Wireframe Pack + LookML Spec.

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## 5.6 Cadence & Governance

Objective: Lock dashboards into business rhythm.

#### Actions:

- 1. Weekly: Demand Gen reviews campaign ROI + pipeline contribution.
- 2. Biweekly: Sales + Marketing review opp quality by source.
- 3. Monthly: CMO reviews pipeline velocity + ROI trends with exec team.
- 4. Quarterly: Revisit attribution models & adjust dashboards accordingly.

Deliverable: Dashboard Governance Playbook (who reviews what, when, and how).

## Step 5 Output (VP-Level Takeaway)

- Dashboard Spec Docs for CMO, Demand Gen, and Sales/RevOps.
- LookML Spec + Wireframes for execution.
- Governance Playbook aligning cadence and ownership.

#### Result

Every executive has a single source of truth:

- The CMO can defend spend in the boardroom.
- Demand Gen can optimize campaigns daily.
- Sales can trust pipeline quality data.

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## Step 6: Governance & Cadence (Execution Guide)

## 6.1 Define Data Ownership

Objective: Make clear who owns which parts of the system.

#### Roles & Owners:

- Marketing Ops → UTM governance, GA4 event tracking, campaign tagging.
- RevOps → CRM field mapping, pipeline stage integrity, campaign-object enforcement.
- Data/BI → BigQuery transformations, Looker dashboard maintenance.
- Finance → Revenue reconciliation, quarterly validation.

**Deliverable:** RACI Matrix (Responsible, Accountable, Consulted, Informed) by system + task.

## 6.2 Establish QA Processes

Objective: Prevent data drift, broken attribution, or leadership mistrust.

#### Weekly QA:

- Spot-check 5 leads from new campaigns  $\rightarrow$  confirm UTMs + Campaign IDs persist in CRM.
- Validate ad spend imports vs. platform data (<5% variance).

#### Monthly QA:

- Reconcile attributed revenue (BigQuery) vs. Finance closed revenue (<5% variance).
- Audit GA4 event firing for key conversions.

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#### Quarterly QA:

- Review channel groupings + UTM taxonomy.
- Confirm attribution model still matches buying motion (adjust if GTM shifts).

Deliverable: QA Checklist (Weekly, Monthly, Quarterly) with sign-off log.

## 6.3 Operating Cadence

Objective: Integrate dashboards into the actual leadership rhythm.

#### Weekly (Ops + Demand Gen):

- 30-min pipeline velocity + ROI check.
- Optimize budget allocation at campaign level.

#### Biweekly (Marketing + Sales):

- Joint review of opportunity quality by source.
- Address "bad lead" complaints with data.

#### Monthly (CMO + Exec Team):

- Review ROI trends, CAC vs. LTV, sourced/influenced pipeline.
- Present reconciliation vs. Finance totals.

#### Quarterly (C-Suite):

- Attribution model recalibration.
- Budget allocation decisions for next quarter.

Deliverable: Attribution Review Calendar (integrated into company operating cadence).

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## 6.4 Documentation & Change Control

Objective: Protect system integrity as team members or tech change.

#### Actions:

- 1. Create a Central Attribution Wiki (Confluence/Notion/SharePoint).
  - o Revenue Definition Charter (Step 1).
  - o UTM Governance Guide (Step 2).
  - CRM Field Mapping (Step 3).
  - BigQuery Model + Views (Step 4).
  - Dashboard Spec Docs (Step 5).
  - QA Checklist + Review Calendar (Step 6).

#### 2. Institute Change Control:

- No modifications to LookML or BigQuery models without documented Jira ticket + approver.
- Version control via Git (for LookML) and SQL repo.

Deliverable: Attribution Governance Wiki + Change Control Policy Doc.

## 6.5 Training & Adoption

Objective: Ensure stakeholders actually use the system.

#### Actions:

- Build 1-hour training modules for each persona:
  - Execs → "How to read the CMO dashboard."
  - o Demand Gen → "How to act on campaign ROI reports."
  - o Sales → "How to interpret opportunity source quality."

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- Record sessions, embed into wiki.
- Run quarterly refresher training.

Deliverable: Training Deck + Video Library.

## Step 6 Output (VP-Level Takeaway)

- RACI Matrix clarifying ownership.
- QA Checklist to ensure clean data.
- Attribution Review Calendar embedded into ops cadence.
- Governance Wiki + Change Control Doc for institutional memory.
- Training Deck + Video Library to drive adoption.

#### Result

The closed-loop attribution engine isn't a one-off project—it's a living system. Leadership trusts the numbers, Finance sees alignment, Sales buys into lead quality, and Marketing can prove ROI with confidence quarter after quarter.

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