



Education
Strategy
Group



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**Technical Working Group
Meeting 2 – Friday, July 21
11:00 – 12:30p MT**

- I. Prior work: How to define and calculate value thresholds and minimum value?
 - a. IHEP/Postsecondary Value Commission formula
 - b. FREEOPP formula
- II. Proposed value definition and calculation
- III. Discussion: what are the best metrics to define **cost**?
 - a. In a perfect world, with all data elements?
- IV. What Colorado-specific data are available for analysis?
- V. Options for comparison group; benefits and drawbacks of each
 - a. High school grads?
 - b. Some college, no credential?
 - c. Strategies to disaggregate by sex, race, SES, etc.
- VI. Discussion: What are the best metrics to define **value**?
 - a. Why pursue postsecondary education in the first place?
- VII. Next meeting:
 - a. Doodle poll forthcoming for August, September, October dates
 - b. Focus on methods:
 - i. Avoid recreating the wheel; focus on national and state-level practices
 - ii. Determine control group
 - iii. Determine earnings threshold