

Rightsizing and Reimagining Higher Education: Improving Access and Student Outcomes with Collaboration

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Key Items for Discussion

- **Challenges Facing Higher Education (Pre, During, and Post Pandemic)**
- **Role of Metrics to Improve Higher Education**
- **Importance of Developing a Skilled Workforce for New Mexico**
- **Importance of Transitioning Students to Universities**
- **Smart Investments to Increase Productivity and Encourage Collaboration**

Collaborations, External Funding, Innovations

- **Collaborations within the Three Higher Education Associations**
 - Committee of University Presidents (CUP)
 - New Mexico Association of Community Colleges (NMACC)
 - New Mexico Independent Community Colleges (NMICC)
- **Collaborations within the Branch Campus Systems**
 - University of New Mexico
 - Eastern New Mexico University
 - New Mexico State University
- **Collaborations between Various Individual Higher Education Institutions**

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- **External Funding**
 - Federal Grants (Research, Department of Education, etc.)
 - Workforce Collaborations
 - Foundations
- **Innovations**
 - Working through collaborative efforts to more efficiently provide greater service to students
 - Building a strategic portfolio of programs and courses
 - New scholarships and strategies to promote higher education in New Mexico