

**Strategies for Identifying Issues for Consideration by the
Commission on Higher Education Concerning Performance Funding**

1) Institutional/Commission Colloquium

Purpose: To identify possible issues, which the Commission on Higher Education should consider to improve performance funding within the parameters of Act 359.

Possible outcomes: A listing of potential modifications and refinements that could include revised measures, revised sector benchmarks, and revised benchmarking and scoring processes.

Preliminary meetings: The Colloquium would follow meetings with institutional representatives, which will shape the agenda for the Colloquium and identify preliminary ideas for further discussion.

Level of detail: Moderate/high. Focus primarily on system modification.

Attendance: Twenty-five active participants including institutional representatives, Planning and Assessment Committee members, and other Commission members who may wish to attend, as well as selected staff.

Time and Place: Thursday, October 22, 1998, from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm in the Columbia area.

2) Commission/Business Discussion(s)

Purpose: To identify strategies and policies to implement fully performance funding within the parameters of Act 359.

Possible outcomes: Outline of broad strategies and policies for full implementation of performance funding, including allocation methodology, relationship of new year's funding to current year's allocation, and modifications to the overall structure for assessing performance and producing ratings.

Preliminary meetings: Meetings with institutional representatives and the Colloquium would precede the Commission/Business Discussion(s).

Level of detail: Moderate/low. Focus primarily on policy.

Attendance: Up to twenty-five active participants including Planning and Assessment Committee members, other Commission members who may wish to attend, the Business Advisory Committee, as well as selected Commission staff, meeting either on one occasion or meeting in smaller groups on several occasions.

Time and Place: To be determined, following October 22, 1998, colloquium with institutional representatives and prior to November 26, 1998.