

SB24-029 Alternative Metrics Working Group

Meeting Minutes

July 2, 2025 | 10:00am-10:30pm

Zoom Meeting

Zoom: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84129576135?pwd=eANCjwbToCyfpzWgleEle3h3MsLeQa.1>

AMWG MINUTES for 7/2/25

ATTENDANCE

Appointed Members: Jon Caudill (University of Colorado, Colorado Springs), Christie Donner (Colorado Criminal Justice Coalition) Whitney Leeds (Above Waters Project/Growing Home), Kate LeMasters (University of Colorado, Anschutz), Jack Reed (Division of Criminal Justice), Aaron Stewart (Division of Probation Services, Judicial), Dave Wolfsgruber (Department of Corrections), SUBSTITUTION for Kelli Burmeister Rebecca (Becca) Eman (Division of Youth Services)

Absent: Kelli Burmeister (Division of Youth Services)

Staff: Erin Crites (Division of Criminal Justice), Yolanda Alvarez-Montello (Division of Criminal Justice)

OVERVIEW

The Alternative Metrics Working Group convened this short meeting to approve the Working Group report, *Report of the Alternative Metrics of Recidivism Working Group (July 2025)*. The report reflects the meeting activities and decisions made during this meeting and, therefore, represents the minutes for this meeting. As stated in the introduction of the report,

The following report describes the current legislative mandate to identify alternative metrics for recidivism, summarizes the academic conversation around the limits of recidivism as a measure of criminal justice system performance and the need to apply a socioecological model to our understanding of the impact of criminal justice involvement, and presents the initial recommendations of the Alternative Metrics Working Group (AMWG).

The report is available on the AMWG webpage at <https://dcj.colorado.gov/boards-commissions/amwg>.

ACTION ITEMS

Erin Crites-CDPS

- Submit report to the Colorado House of Representatives, Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Committee (currently, the Health and Human Services Committee) and to the House Judiciary Committee and to the Colorado Senate Health and Human Services Committee and to the Senate Judiciary Committee.
- Identify and communicate a future meeting time and dates for the continuing efforts of the Working Group.

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ADJOURN

- [Alternative Metrics Working Group website](#) houses information, agendas, minutes, and meeting links for this working group. Feel free to share this site with any interested stakeholders so they can stay informed.
- Meeting adjourned at 10:30am.
- The Working Group will continue to meet to address mandated tasks prior to the statutory sunset date of June 30, 2026.
- **Next Meeting: TO BE DETERMINED**

MANDATES

Pursuant to 24-33.5-535, C.R.S. (Senate Bill 2024-029) the working group shall:

- Be appointed no later than November 30, 2024.
- Convene first meeting by February 1, 2025
- Meetings shall allow for remote participation
- Submit a report by July 1, 2025 that summarizes the efforts of the working group and any recommendations

The working group is required to:

- Study metrics and methods, other than recidivism, to:
 - Supplement current measures including those related to desistance (severity and timing) and risk reduction.
 - Comprehensively measure successful outcomes that consider various aspects of life (e.g. employment, housing, education, mental health, personal well-being, social supports, and civic and community engagement).
 - Enhance measures of criminal justice system performance and adherence to best practices in supervision program design and implementation.
- Identify methods to obtain information from those involved or recently involved in the system regarding supervision experiences.
- Identify gaps or barriers in data collection, measurement and data matching, and recommendations on addressing these gaps or barriers.
- Create an implementation timeline for these metrics and methods that addresses any data limitations and necessary resources.
- Identify customization of measures to account for age, gender, race, ethnicity, or risk of a cohort.