

WPP Method Protocol

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- Hope this can be the basis for a dynamic document that evolves with experience
- Much more detail is needed
- Appendix diagrams
 - Flowcharts
 - Level of detail or approaches
 - Loop over data sources?
 - Loop over methods?
 - Loop over time periods?
 - Decision tables
 - Trying to deal with special cases where a full flowchart would be too complicated
 - E.g., what is no data for a particular period?
- Don't be shy with any comments/corrections/suggestions for improvement

Further Thoughts

- Focus on separating the signal from the noise
- Compare, compare, compare
- Need to (quickly) develop tools (if not already available)
 - That can communicate with one another
 - Are validated
 - Are documented
- Decision on the dating of the population estimates
 - Midyear (traditional)
 - Beginning of year (more consistent with calendar year events)
- How will the COVID-19 pandemic play out and impact mortality this year and beyond?