

**INTERAGENCY ADVISORY COUNCIL
ON
LOSS PREVENTION MEETING**

February 4, 2009
9:30 A.M.-11:30 A.M.
Hermitage Centre
First Floor, Conference Room
1801 Hermitage Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32308

OPENING REMARKS:

David Wiggins,
IAC Chairperson

David Wiggins, Interagency Advisory Council (IAC) Chairperson, opened the meeting and greeted everyone present as well as those connected around the state for the first time by teleconference.

PRESENTATION OF:

November 5, 2008
IAC Meeting Minutes

David Wiggins presented the November 5, 2008, IAC meeting minutes for acceptance. David asked for comments or changes to the minutes. Tory Desotell, Safety Coordinator for the Department of Financial Services, made the motion to accept the minutes. Wayne Clotfelter, Safety Coordinator for the Department of Children and Families seconded the motion. The motion carried.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Steve Henderson,
Florida Manager, OptaComp

David Wiggins introduced Steve Henderson, OptaComp Florida Manager. Steve gave a PowerPoint presentation of the 2009 OptaComp Model for the state of Florida. OptaComp is a Blue Cross Blue Shield subsidiary that specializes in workers' compensation claims administration. The OptaComp Model has successfully refined and improved the handling of workers' compensation claims. OptaComp's core principle is everything

matters and nothing is routine for each individual workers' compensation claim.

The OptaComp Model has proven to be very successful in bringing back the injured employee to the work place within a functional capacity. This has proven the best for both the employer and the employee that is able to do so, with restriction stated by the clinician.

R. J. Castellanos, of the Department of Financial Services, Division of Risk Management asked the question, "How would you handle a doctor writing a note, stating that the injured employee is to be out of work for a week?" Steve Henderson mentioned that with the providers going through the clinician workshop, this will not happen under the OptaComp Model. Since clinician providers are being trained in workshops to provide clinical objective findings that will include certain work restrictions, the employee in most cases will be able to return to work at a functional level. Linda Keen, of the Department of Financial Services, Division of Risk Management shared a situation where a person was injured, seen by a specialist, received a prescription and was back to work the next day. This scenario is the goal.

Another question brought to the floor concerned the amount of training that has been given by OptaComp. Steve Henderson shared that there have been multiple sessions on Saturdays for several months throughout the state of Florida. Denzil Weimorts, Department of Financial Services, Division of Risk Management stated that the clinician training for the 15 counties that have 80% of claim activity should be completed by March 31, 2009.

Greta Hall of the Department of Military Affairs asked a question regarding standardized forms. Per Denzil Weimorts, each employee should receive a DWC-25 form, before leaving the clinician's office. This will avoid any processing of the variation of forms.

Handouts of the presentation were given to all present, an electronic copy was sent to the teleconference attendees, and the agencies and universities that were unable to attend received their handouts by mail.

SPEAKER:

Jim McClay, Risk
Services Administrator

Jim McClay, of the Department of Financial Services, Division of Risk Management, explained the highlights of the individual agency and university STARS reports that were given to Safety Coordinators upon arrival to the meeting. He encouraged everyone to pursue the causes of loss that cost the most dollars and most frequent occurrences as shown on the report. He suggested those present to contact Melanie Cowgill, of the Department of Financial Services, Division of Risk Management or himself for assistance with STARS reports.

Jim reminded everyone to submit their agency/university Safety Program Evaluations to Risk Services no later than February 28, 2009.

Marianne Trussell, of the Department of Transportation provided two handouts for those interested on “Florida Trip Tips Guide” and “Look Twice. Save a life. Motorcycles are everywhere.”

CLOSING REMARKS:

David Wiggins, Chairperson

The next Interagency Advisory Council meeting will be held on May 13, 2009, 9:30 A.M.-11:30 A.M., in the first floor conference room of the Hermitage Centre, 1801 Hermitage Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32308.

ADJOURNMENT:

David Wiggins requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. Roy Brogan Jr., Safety Coordinator from the Department of Corrections made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Buddy Gardner, Alternate Safety Coordinator, from the Department of Elder Affairs, and David Laing, Safety Coordinator from the Department of Highway Safety And Motor Vehicle simultaneously seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned.

IAC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Blankenship, Tommy	DJJ
Brogan, Roy Jr.	DOC
Cannon, Shelly	PSC
Caballero, Beatriz	FPC
Castellanos, R.J.	DFS
Chriswell, John	DJJ
Clotfelter, Wayne	DCF
Clemmer, Jo-Ann	DFS
Cowgill, Melanie	DFS
Desotell, Tory	DFS
Durfee, Tom	DBPR
Ferris, Chris	FDLE
Gardner, Buddy	DEA
Gray, Laymon	FSU
Henry, Hope	DOH
Kelly, Amy	APD
Kenyon, Brian	AHCA
Jacoby, Jim	FAMU
Laing, David	HSMV
Long, Tom	SCS
McClay, Jim	DFS
Ochalek, Larry	LOT
Palmiotto, Paul	DACS
Pitts, Doug	LOT
Replogle, Floyd	UWF
Simmons, Lori	DOAH
Trussell, Marianne	DOT
Tucker, Harriet	DFS
Vermette, Dave	DOS
Wiggins, David	DMS
Wilson, Brenda	SBA
Wiser, Gary	DEP
Wright-Davis, Sheila	DOR

TELECONFERENCE

ATTENDEES:

Baca, Willie,	FGCU
Bruce, Richardean	DVA
Clay, Garry	UNF
Dixon, Grace	UF
Hales, Lori	UF
Ketcham, Glenn	UF
Mwaisela-Rose, Jennifer	UF
Properzio, William	UF
Screws, Dianne	CIT
Young, Charles	FAU

VISITORS PRESENT:

Callaway, Jamie	JAC
Chambid, Vivian P.	DJJ
Davis, Georgory	DOE
Fountain, Eleanor	DOH
Henderson, Steve	BCBS/OptaComp
Hall, Greta	DMA
Hill, Jim	HSMV
Honcell, Donna	DOAC
Jackson, Lorna	DJJ
Keen, Linda	DFS
McBride-Smith, Jan	HSMV
Matthews, John W.	DEA
Rozes, George	DFS
Smith, Ramone L.	AWI
Sparks, Pennie	UWF
Tuttle, Sarah	DFS
Weimorts, Denzil	DFS

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