

**Interagency Advisory Council on Loss Prevention  
2002/03 Safety Awareness Campaign  
Presented on November 5, 2003**

**Safety Program of the Year**

**WINNER**

Description of Entry: "LOWering Claims thru HIGH Technology".

Department of Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission's program was intended to be simple and straightforward. Using E-mail, they conducted a year long safety campaign consisting of regular safety dispatches to all employees. The topics were educational and relevant to FWC activities also using employee anecdotes whenever possible. The E-mails encouraged people to think safety, act safely and increase employee awareness of the true cost of injuries. Any individual effort, however small, was recognized in this program. The E-mails concentrated on the two highest claim categories: "strain or injury" and "struck or injured by". The workers' compensation claim reduction for the fiscal years 1999-2000 through 2001-2002 was **57%**.



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# 1<sup>st</sup> Runner Up

Description of Entry: "Working Safely in a Caring Environment: Loss Prevention at Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services".

The Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services decreased its workers' compensation claims from 773 in 2000 to 577 in 2001 and 437 in 2002. This decrease occurred mainly at the Division of Plant Industries, which decreased its claims from 516 in 2000 to 198 in 2002. DPI accomplished this by the addition of a fulltime safety and loss person, careful internal tracking of injuries and their causes, extensive safety training programs, safety web pages and regular safety newsletters focusing on problem areas. DAC has decreased its average annual cost of WC from \$3,967,825 to \$2,218,476.



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The workers' compensation claim reduction for the fiscal years 1999-2000 through 2001-2002 was **44%**.

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## 2nd Runner Up - Tie

Description of Entry: Reduction in Workers' Compensation Claims and Cost.

Agency: Department of Juvenile Justice

Participants: Doug Dilday, LaTondria Carter, all the Safety Coordinators and Safety Committees at the Department of Juvenile Justice.

The worker's compensation claim reduction for the fiscal years 1999-2000 through 2001-2002 was **14%**.

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Description of Entry: Department of Children and Families Safety Committee.

Agency: Department of Children and Families

Participants: Wayne Clotfelter, Richard Wilhelms, Cherie Williams and Jan Fontaine.

The worker's compensation claim reduction for the fiscal years 1999-2000 through 2001-2002 was **18%**.

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