

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM OIR-03-019M ISSUED October 16, 2003 Florida Department of Financial Services Division of Workers Compensation Tanner Holloman Director

To: All Florida Workers' Compensation Insurance Carriers, Self-Insured Employers, and Third Party Administrators

Re: Important Workers' Compensation Information for Florida's Workers Important Workers' Compensation Information for Florida's Employers

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify all carriers, self-insured employers and third party administrators of the promulgation of the new employee and employer brochures, which are to be used to meet the statutory mandate as outlined in s.440.185(4). The Important Workers' Compensation Information for Florida's Workers brochure, revised 10/2003 is required to be sent to the injured employee "within 3 days after the employer or employee informs the carrier of the injury." The carrier or its third party administrator must annually send the Important Workers' Compensation Information for Florida's Employers brochure, revised 10/2003 to the employer.

This memorandum supercedes the Division's Informational Memorandum issued December 2, 2002. The brochures may be duplicated and distributed, without alteration of any information. Copies of these brochures can be obtained from the Division's website at <u>www.fldfs.com/wc</u>, under the "Publications" link.

If the carrier, self-insured employer, or the third party administrator develops an informational brochure other than the division's brochures to meet the statutory mandate, they must be submitted to the Division for approval prior to distribution. Carriers should send their informational brochures for approval to:

Department of Financial Services Division of Workers' Compensation Bureau of Monitoring and Audit Attn: Fred Becknell, Insurance Administrator 200 East Gaines Street Tallahassee, Florida 32399-4224

Telephone number: (850) 413-1763 Email-BecknellF@dfs.state.fl.us

If you have any questions about the Division's brochures, please contact Randy Crowson at (850) 413-1767 or email CrowsonR@dfs.state.fl.us.