



## **Florida Summit on Preventing Needless Work Disability – June 1 & 2, 2008**

### ***DWC E-Alert Regarding the Florida Summit***

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#### **CFO Sink, Division of Workers' Compensation Participate in Florida Stay-at-Work Consortium**

Florida's Chief Financial Officer Alex Sink and the Division of Workers' Compensation are participating in a national initiative and summit seeking better ways to help sick or injured workers stay at work or return to work sooner--and stay employed.

The Florida Summit on Preventing Needless Work Disability, to be held at the Rosen Centre in Orlando on June 1 & 2, 2008, is expected to draw up to 200 healthcare providers, employers, insurers and others seeking to improve the service now delivered by disability benefits and workers' compensation systems.

The Florida Summit, one of 60 planned in the United States and Canadian provinces, promotes a stay-at-work/return-to-work blueprint developed by the American College of Occupational & Environmental Medicine (ACOEM). The ACOEM proposal is laid out in a free, 20-page guideline that highlights the destructive impact of prolonged absence from work and job loss on peoples' lives, and calls on individuals in various sectors of society to find ways to work together to help people stay employed. In Summit events, assembled stakeholders use the ACOEM guideline as a framework for discussion.

The meeting is being structured to include a proportionate number of key stakeholders throughout the state of Florida. If you wish to learn more, request an invitation, or be involved as a sponsor of this unique and extremely important event visit [www.60summits.org](http://www.60summits.org) or call 1-800-319-7425.