



## **WASB Insurance Plan 2007 Safety Program Grant Competition**

- Member submits a proposal for an innovative safety program. The proposal can be submitted in any format including the enclosed form on enclosure C - "Safety Program Proposal for Grant Consideration". The proposal does not have to be "fancy", but should include all pertinent details. Submitted proposals may include existing plans. Participants may collaborate in submitting joint proposals.
- The WASBIP Safety Plan Grant Committee will review proposals and make recommendations to the WASBIP Trustees who will make the final decision. If accepted by the WASBIP, the member will receive a grant payment.
- The WASBIP has funded a total amount of \$25,000 for safety program grants. The maximum grant for any one district is \$5,000.
- The Committee will consider various factors including, but not limited to, the following:
  - Potential effectiveness in improving safety
  - Innovation of plan
  - Availability and usefulness of program to other districts
  - Number of submissions
  - Timing of submissions

The intent is to award the allotted grant money, so the total number of grant requests will be an important factor. All decisions are final and no appeal process will be available.

- The Committee encourages proposals for innovative safety programs areas including, but not limited to:
  - controlling slip and fall incidents
  - controlling manual material handling incidents
  - early return to work programs
  - special education exposures
- The Committee is particularly looking for safety programs that can be used by other districts. The winners are expected to allow details of the program to be disseminated to others, by your district or others, in a variety of ways including, but not limited to: the WASB Insurance Plan web site; presentation at WASB conferences, mailings, etc.
- **Deadline for submission:** End of your applicable policy year. For example, if your district workers compensation policy renews July 1, then submission is due prior to 7-1-08. Note: In order to receive a grant, your district must have its workers compensation coverage with the WASB Insurance Plan at submission time and at the time the grant is awarded. We encourage submissions prior to 10-1-07. The Committee would anticipate that initial grants will be awarded in late November, 2007.