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Ohio Industrial Commission to Workers' Compensation Representatives: We Need Your Picture!

COLUMBUS — Regular visitors to the Industrial Commission of Ohio's (IC) headquarters may now opt to have security ID badges issued to them for expedited electronic check-in. Once their badge picture is taken, they'll be able to simply swipe and go!

"If you decide not to get a security badge, a computer sits next to the security guard and visitors will type in their name to check-in, and then use the computer to checkout when their visit is over," said Director of Security Services Robert Booker.

This new sign-in system will enhance security and convenience by allowing frequent customers to simply badge in and out of IC buildings. At the same time, it will provide a more efficient way to track who is in IC buildings in case of emergency. In addition, the IC's Information Technology Department designed the system and used an existing computer terminal, so there were no additional costs to get it up and running.

"Electronic sign-in will save money by reducing paper costs," said IC Executive Director Christa Deegan. "It has been so successful in Columbus that we are rolling out the sign-in process to our 11 other offices across the state."

The Columbus IC office will be taking pictures of repeat visitors, such as workers' compensation attorneys and representatives, from 9-10am on Wednesday, December 1, 8 and 15.

"After we finish taking photos in Columbus, we will notify our customers in other IC offices to set up separate photo shoots for individual security badges," said Deegan.

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