

BJCC EARNS ACCREDITATION FROM THE GLOBAL BIORISK ADVISORY COUNCIL

(Birmingham, AL, August 21, 2020) — Today the BJCC earned STAR™ Facility Accreditation on cleaning, disinfection and infectious disease prevention, granted through the Global Biorisk Advisory Council (GBAC). The GBAC STAR is the industry's leading outbreak prevention, response and recovery accreditation. The BJCC is the first facility in the state of Alabama to obtain this designation.

The accreditation process evaluates the facility's proficiency within 20 key efforts, ranging from standard operating procedures and risk assessment strategies to personal protective equipment and response measures to combat biohazards and infectious diseases, including the novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2).

The key efforts assessed include use of proper cleaning techniques and chemicals, inventory management protocols, signage, physical distancing, internal roles, responsibilities, and other efforts to maintain a safe environment for guests and employees at the venues and facilities within the BJCC.

"As public venues around the globe approach re-opening safely, embracing the best training and protocols is paramount," said Tad Snider, Executive Director and CEO, BJCC Authority. "The BJCC leads with industry best practices, and we were eager to have our protocols tested and measured through accreditation. The safety of our staff and our guests remain our priority as we look ahead to welcoming visitors for events."

Other leading facilities that have gained GBAC STAR accreditation thus far include the San Diego, Phoenix, Las Vegas and Palm Springs convention centers, as well as Nashville's Music City Center and New Orleans's Ernest N. Morial Convention Center.

About GBAC

Composed of international leaders in the field of microbial-pathogenic threat analysis, mitigation, response and recovery, the Global Biorisk Advisory Council (GBAC), a Division of ISSA, provides training, guidance, accreditation, certification, crisis management assistance and leadership to government, commercial and private entities looking to mitigate, quickly address and/or recover from biological threats and real-time crises. The organization's services include biorisk management program assessment and training, Forensic Restoration® response and remediation, the GBAC STAR™ facility accreditation program, training and certification of individuals and consulting for building owners and facility managers. For more information, visit www.gbac.org.

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