



## **CCS Facility Services is the First Cleaning Service Provider in the World to Achieve GBAC STAR™ Service Accreditation**

**NORTHBROOK, Ill.—March 8, 2021**—The [Global Biorisk Advisory Council™](#) (GBAC), a Division of ISSA, today announced that CCS Facility Services is the first business in the world to achieve GBAC STAR Service accreditation. The program is designed for building service contractors and other outsourced cleaning service providers seeking third-party validation for their cleaning, disinfection, and infection prevention programs.

“Cleaning service providers are instrumental in the quest to maintain the cleanest and safest facilities around the world,” said GBAC Executive Director Patricia Olinger. “We congratulate CCS Facility Services for their dedication to formal accreditation that will benefit both their customers and their employees. This is the first of many upcoming GBAC STAR Service accreditations that will help people feel more confident when entering facilities of all types and sizes.”

Headquartered in Denver, Colo., with multiple offices across the Western United States, CCS Facility Services is one of the largest privately held integrated facility services companies in the United States, providing janitorial, restoration services, and building engineering across multiple industries.

To earn accreditation, CCS fulfilled 20 key GBAC STAR program elements including program controls and monitoring, risk assessment and mitigation strategies, worker health programs, and many more. Service providers must also ensure that at least 5 per cent of their frontline cleaning staff have completed the GBAC Fundamentals Online Course: Cleaning & Disinfection Principles. One supervisor per every 10 frontline cleaning workers must also complete the course to ensure leadership is knowledgeable about the steps necessary for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from biorisk situations.

“CCS Facility Services is incredibly proud to be the first business in the world to achieve GBAC STAR Service accreditation,” says Troy Coker, founder and CEO of CCS Facility Services. “It validates the work we’ve done to respond to COVID-19 and provided us with the best practice framework to create a sustainable, evolving response to biorisk situations. We could not have earned this achievement without our incredibly hardworking staff of cleaners and building engineers who demonstrate their commitment to the health and safety of customer facilities every day. We thank the Global Biorisk Advisory Council for its leadership and for honoring our team’s hard work.”

Learn more and apply for GBAC STAR™ Service accreditation at [gbac.issa.com/gbac-star-service-accreditation/](https://gbac.issa.com/gbac-star-service-accreditation/).

To track accredited cleaning service providers and facilities, access the GBAC STAR Facility Directory at [gbac.org/directory](https://gbac.org/directory).



### **About GBAC, a Division of ISSA**

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](http://www.gbac.org).

### **About ISSA**

With more than 9,300 members – including distributors, manufacturers, manufacturer representatives, wholesalers, building service contractors, in-house service providers, residential cleaners, and associated service members – ISSA is the world's leading trade association for the cleaning industry. The association is committed to changing the way the world views cleaning by providing its members with the business tools they need to promote cleaning as an investment in human health, the environment, and an improved bottom line. Headquartered in Northbrook, Ill., USA, the association has regional offices in Mainz, Germany; Whitby, Canada; Parramatta, Australia; Seoul, South Korea; and Shanghai, China. For more information about ISSA, visit [www.issa.com](http://www.issa.com) or call (800) 225-4772 (North America) or (847) 982-0800. For information on ISSA's Canadian division, ISSA Canada, visit <http://www.issa-canada.com> or call (866) 864-8273 or (905) 665-8001.

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**MediaEdge is a proud reseller of the GBAC STAR and GBAC fundamentals online course. Please see the program details and links below and remember to use the promo codes when registering as they provide discounts.**

1. Commercial facility owners looking for GBAC STAR accreditation can follow the link [here](#).
2. ISSA has also released a new GBAC fundamentals online course specifically designed for cleaning workers on the frontlines of the coronavirus fight. Please click [here](#) to register and receive a discount off normal prices.

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