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### Black Bear Lodge Named to Newsweek's 2024 Annual Ranking of Best Addiction Treatment Centers

**Sautee Nacoochee, GA – August 21, 2024** – Black Bear Lodge, a part of the Foundations Recovery Network, is pleased to announce that it has been named to Newsweek's 2024 Annual Ranking of Best Addiction Treatment Centers for the second consecutive year. The award was announced August 16, 2024.

"We are thrilled that Newsweek has named us as one of the best addiction treatment centers in the nation for the second year in a row," said Lynn Echols, CEO of Black Bear Lodge. "This award is a testament to the ongoing dedication and expertise of our entire team. At Black Bear Lodge, we are fully committed to creating a space where individuals can heal, grow and reclaim their lives."

To review the full list: <https://www.newsweek.com/rankings/americas-best-addiction-treatment-centers-2024>



#### About Black Bear Lodge

Located in northern Georgia amid the beauty of serene forest foothills, Black Bear Lodge serves patients from across the state and around the world. Black Bear Lodge is a place of solace from the chaos that substance abuse and mental health issues can bring into a person's life. Black Bear Lodge's mission is to equip individuals with the tools they need to build their own lives in recovery. They meet people where

they are, developing comprehensive, individualized plans and allowing patients to create and achieve their personal goals in recovery. They partner with each person and guide them through an evidence-based, integrated treatment process that is designed to treat core needs in a thorough, holistic way.

### **About Foundations Recovery Network**

Foundations Recovery Network's mission is to lead the way in evidence-based, integrated treatment for co-occurring substance use and mental health disorders. Through our commitment to clinical excellence, we partner with and empower individuals on their recovery journey by providing individualized care that actively removes barriers and embraces diverse pathways to healing. For more information, visit [www.foundationsrecoverynetwork.com](http://www.foundationsrecoverynetwork.com).

### **Newsweek Methodology**

The 5th edition of the America's Best Addiction Treatment Centers ranking awards the leading 400 addiction treatment centers in the United States. Facilities in the 25 states with the highest number of addiction treatment centers, according to the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA), were included in the survey. The remaining states were grouped into four regions. Addiction treatment centers from these states were considered accordingly. The states are Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Utah and Washington.

The scope of facilities and states included in the survey is:

Inpatient/residential and long-term addiction treatment centers were included in the ranking. Long-term programs required a minimum residency of 30 days. In a few selected cases, long-term was defined as a minimum residency of 28 days. Facilities that only offer outpatient or short-term addiction treatment services were excluded.

The top 11-17% facilities per state and top 4-5% per region were awarded. This amount is based on the number of facilities within the specific state or region that meet the above-mentioned scope of requirements, and therefore varies in the individual states and regions.

The list is based on three data sources:

- National Online Survey – Reputation Score: composed of a recommendation score and a quality score which account for 65 percent of the total score.
- Accreditation Score: accounts for 30 percent of the total score.
- Google Reviews: accounts for 5 percent of the total score.

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