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**Dr. Brian Bear again named among Castle Connolly Top Doctors^R
for Rockford Region in 2016**

ROCKFORD, IL ... **July 15, 2016** Castle Connolly Medical, Ltd., America's trusted source for identifying Top Doctors, has selected Rockford's Hand Surgery specialist **Dr. Brian Bear** of OrthoIllinois for inclusion in its highly selective list of Castle Connolly Top Doctors for the third year in a row. Only four to five percent of doctors in America earn this prestigious honor.

Castle Connolly Top Doctors^R are selected by Castle Connolly Medical Ltd. after being nominated by peer physicians in an online nomination process. Nominations are open to all board certified MDs and DOs. Honorees are selected from the nominees by the Castle Connolly physician-led research team based on criteria including their medical education, training, hospital appointments, disciplinary histories and more.

As a Board-Certified surgeon, Dr. Bear's practice at OrthoIllinois is focused on shoulder, elbow, hand, microvascular, traumatic, and reconstructive surgery. He is an Associate Clinical Professor of Orthopaedic Surgery at the University of Illinois College of Medicine in Rockford and a frequent lecturer at the AAOS Orthopaedic Learning Center in Rosemont, Illinois. Dr. Bear is actively involved in clinical research and has published numerous journal articles.

Rockford Orthopedic Associates, Ltd. D/B/A OrthoIllinois serves the Northern Illinois region in multi-specialty orthopedics from offices in Rockford, Crystal Lake, and Huntley, Illinois and offers a full range of bone and joint care including the specialties of podiatry, physical medicine and rehabilitation, occupational health and rheumatology. OrthoIllinois offers the ancillary services of physical therapy, MRI, and an out-patient surgery center. #

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