



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 1/4/2017      **VisitType:** Licensing Study      **Arrival:** 9:30 AM      **Departure:** 2:45 PM

**CCLC-36303**

**Cornerstone Children's Center**

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**Compliance Zone Designation**

01/04/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
09/08/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
01/14/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing

**Compliance Zone Designation** - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good standing, support, and deficient.

**Good Standing** - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

**Support** - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting the rules.

**Deficient** - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

**Ratios/License Capacity**

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A-INF COLTS	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	9	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Floor Play, Diapering
Main	B-INF LAMBS	Infants	3	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap, Transitioning, Floor Play
Main	C-1YR CUBS	Infants and One Year Olds	3	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap, Floor Play
Main	D-2YR OWLS	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	13	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers, Transitioning, Free Play
Main	E-4-5 YRS HORSES	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	11	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning, Outside
Main	F-3 YR BEARS	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	17	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers, Transitioning, Art
Main	G-3YRS-GAZELLES	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Outside, TV, Floor Play
Main	H-5-12YRS LIONS	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	13	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Outside, Circle Time
Main	I-2YR SHEEP	Two Year Olds	1	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Art, Transitioning, Centers

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 100    Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154

Total Capacity @25 sq.  
ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-FR-0-4 YRS	53	C
Main	B-BK 5-12 YEARS	63	C

#### Comments

On this date no new staff has been hired since the last visit and center staff have completed. The center has completed the health and safety orientation training and has an updated satisfactory criminal records check on file.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/04/2017

Any rule violation which subjects a child to injury or life-threatening situation or any rule violations previously cited but not corrected, may result in the imposition of an adverse enforcement action. Serious or continued noncompliance may also jeopardize participation in one or more DECAL program(s).



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#### Refutation Process:

You have the right to refute any of the citations noted in this report with which you disagree. To refute a citation(s), e-mail the following information to [CCSRefutations@dec.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.ga.gov).

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://dec.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

Your refutation will be forwarded to the appropriate CCS manager, who will follow up with you about your concerns. If you have any questions about this process, contact our office at 404-657-5562.

Bright from the Start recommends that all licensed child care providers carry liability insurance coverage sufficient to protect its clients. If you do not have this liability insurance, you are required to post a notice with ½ inch letters in a conspicuous location in the program, notify the parent or guardian of each child in care in writing, obtain their signature to acknowledge receipt and maintain this written acknowledgment on file at the program at all times while the child attends the program and for 12 months after the child's last date of attendance. (O.C.G.A. Section 20-1A-4)

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Cassie Neal, Program Official

Date

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Kesha McNeal, Consultant

Date



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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

#### Activities and Equipment

**591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)** Met

**Comment**

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

**591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)** N/A

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

#### Children's Records

**591-1-1-.08 Children's Records** Met

**Comment**

Observed-Records Complete/Well Organized

**591-1-1-.23 Parental Authorization** Met

**Comment**

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

#### Facility

**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms** Met

**Comment**

Observation-Clean and Well Maintained

**591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)** Technical Assistance

**Comment**

Observation-Center Clean/Well Maintained

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that the center and surrounding premises be clean, free of debris and in good repair. On this date the baseboard in the colt's classroom is not attached on the right bottom section of the wall, and the outlet in the cub's classroom has a sharp edge on the top middle section causing a potential entrapment hazard.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2017**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observation-Clean/Good Repair

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**Food Service**

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**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met****Comment**

Ensure Feeding Forms Updated

**Comment**

Menu Meets USDA Guidelines

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**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations****Met****Comment**

Kitchen Appears Clean/Well Organized

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**Health and Hygiene**

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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Not Met****Comment**

Observed-Proper Diapering

**Finding**

591-1-1-.10(3)(a) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper change surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the changing pad in the lamb classroom has tears located on the right side of the changing pad.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The director responsible person(s) will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. The director will ensure Center Staff are trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

**Correction Deadline: 2/3/2017**

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**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Complete Documentation

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**Safety**

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<b>591-1-1-.05 Animals</b>	<b>N/A</b>
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**Comment**

No Animals Kept

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<b>591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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<b>591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Observed-Complete Documentation

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<b>591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Observed-Complete Documentation

<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Correction Deadline: 9/9/2016**

**Corrected on 1/4/2017**

**It was determined based on the consultant's observation that sheets were clean and changed as needed on this date.**

<b>Staff Records</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

**Comment**

No new hires

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<b>591-1-1-.14 First Aid &amp; CPR</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Observed-100% Certified First Aid & CPR

**Comment**

Observed-Center/Vehicle Kits Complete

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<b>591-1-1-.33 Staff Training</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Health/Safety training completed on this date.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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<b>591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)</b>	<b>Met</b>
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**Comment**

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

**Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision