



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/2/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 11:55 AM

CCLC-289

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Compliance Zone Designation			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 rules. Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
03/02/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/04/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/15/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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	Downstairs Front Right		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Downstairs Rear Left		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Upstairs 1st Left		0	0	C	4	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Upstairs Left		0	0	C	5	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Upstairs Rear Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	11	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			42			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:			0	
Two	Downstairs Room-PreK	PreK	2	20	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers
Two	Upstairs Room-PreK	PreK	2	20	C	31	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			52			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:			0	
Total # Children this Date:			49			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			94	
						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:			0	

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit and follow-up to the previous on October 4, 2016.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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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O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(i)(2) requires Bright from the Start: Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning to notify licensed child care programs on accessing and retrieving from the Georgia Bureau of Investigation's (GBI) website a list of the names and addresses of all registered sexual offenders. Please see GBI's website located at <http://gbi.georgia.gov> to access the Georgia Sex Offender Registry.

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@decal.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://decal.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)

Michael Wall, Program Official

Date

Twylah Tyner, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Not Met

Comment

Monitor playground equipment for wear and tear.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation of consultant that the gate on the left side of the playground was open and not secured. In addition, the gate at the front of the playground was not secured to prevent a child from leaving the playground area.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 3/2/2017

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) **Met**

Comment

No diapered children enrolled

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

Comment

Observed-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

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

Comment

The center is not currently administering medications.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR) **Met**

Comment

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) **Met**

Comment

No Field Trips at This Time

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) **Met**

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) **Met**

Comment

Correct number of mats observed
Center does not serve infants

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) **Met**

Correction Deadline: 10/4/2016

Corrected on 3/2/2017

Previous citation observed to be corrected on this date. All staff have satisfactory fingerprint determination letters on file.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) **Met**

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

Comment

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff