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Date: 4/10/2019 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:40 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

CCLC-3271

Kid's Place Day Care Center

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Quality Rated: ★

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.
04/10/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/15/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/31/2018	Complaint Closure	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	Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	9	C	13	C	18	C	Outside, Transitioning, Centers, Nap, Lunch
Main	Middle	Two Year Olds	2	10	C	10	C	14	C	Centers, Music, Nap
Main	Right	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	9	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Floor Play, Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 32					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 41					
Total # Children this Date: 24			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 32			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 41				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

This Licensing study is the second regulatory visit for Kid's Place Day Care Center this 2018 - 2019 fiscal year.

The consultant reviewed all staff files and finds that each staff member has a satisfactory comprehensive fingerprint criminal records clearance determination letter on file.

The center director stated medication is administered, no field trips or routine transportation is provided.

The center director stated she is actively working with the Quality Rated Program however to put her observation on hold due to a family medical situation.

The consultant observed 5 active ant beds located on the three and four-year-old playground. 2 of the ant beds was covered with a basket to alert the children of the location of the ant beds. However, the ant beds grew outside of the basket area since the basket had been placed over them. Additionally, the consultant observed 3 additional active ant beds. The center director stated she has contacted Orcin and they are scheduled to spray the ant beds this Saturday.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/10/2019

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).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.decgal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

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@decgal.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://decgal.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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

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Ruby Crosby, Program Official

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-.03 Activities **Met**

Comment

The consultant observed a variety of age appropriate activities throughout the center.

Correction Deadline: 4/10/2019

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

Comment

The consultant observed the toys and equipment to be in good repair.

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

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Comment

Parent agreements observed obtained/completed.

Comment

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Comment

The consultant observed a total of 25 children to be present and 25 children to be sign in. Additionally, the consultant observed parents to sign children in and out when dropping children off at the center.

Correction Deadline: 4/10/2019

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

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Met****Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that one toilet plunger was being stored in the three and four-year-old bathroom located in the classroom on the left. Additionally, plastic bags was being stored under the child handwash sink located in the two-year-old classroom and the sink cabinet did not have a safety latch on it.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2019

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the light bulb in the three and four-year-old bathroom located in the classroom on the left is blown and needs to be replaced. Additionally, the light bulb located the hallway of the infant and one-year-old classroom located on the right is blown and needs to be replaced. Additionally, the sheet rock located on the left bottom corner around the air condition unit located in the cafeteria is busted and accessible to the children and in need of repair. Additionally, there was three tree limbs located on the three, four-year-old and after school playground accessible to the children causing a potential tripping hazard. Additionally, the consultant observed roaches in the bottom of an orange container in which are first aid kit items was being stored.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2019

Finding

591-1-1-.25(8) requires protective caps on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that one of two electrical outlet plugs located in the infant and one-year-old hallway was not covered as required. Additionally, one of two electrical outlet plugs located in the bathroom in the one and two-year-old classroom was not covered as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to check outlets and replace protective caps when needed and identify and monitor how outlets in use are inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2019

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that a half inch x 2 inch crack was located on the yellow, red and blue little tikes gym set on the toddler playground, accessible to the children and posing a potential cutting hazard. Additionally, the consultant observed frayed gray duct tape on the end of the red slide located on the yellow, red and blue little tikes gym set on the toddler playground, accessible to the children and posing a potential choking hazard. Additionally, one of two safety buckles located on the red and blue little tikes swing is broken and will not latch per manufacturing guidelines, is located on the toddler playground and accessible to the children. Additionally, the basketball goal post located on the three and four-year-old and after school children was rusting and chipping paint.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2019

Correction Deadline: 11/25/2018

Corrected on 4/10/2019

.26(8) - The previous citation is observed to be corrected on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined that the tree stump and roots located on the toddler playground was not painted a bright color, accessible to the children and posed a tripping hazard. Additionally, the tree stump and root located on the three and four-year-old classroom is rotting, has roaches and is not painted a bright color, accessible to the children and poses a tripping hazard. Additionally, the consultant observed five active ant beds located on the three and four-year-old playground. Additionally, two fence post located on the toddler playground has protruding cement around them causing a potential tripping hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2019

Food Service

Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk
5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk
2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

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

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Met****Comment**

The consultant observed a thoroughly documented fire and tornado drill log to be posted on the parent bulletin board.

Correction Deadline: 4/15/2019

591-1-1-.22 Parental Access**Met****Comment**

The parental access notice is observed to be posted on the parent bulletin board.

Correction Deadline: 4/10/2019

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**Met****Comment**

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on the infant staff members statement that infant sheets are changed and washed every other day rather than daily as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 4/10/2019

Correction Deadline: 11/15/2018

Corrected on 4/10/2019

.30(2) - The previous citation is observed to be corrected on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 6

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 01/09/2019

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 11/21/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

Staff # 4

Not Met

Date of Hire: 09/03/1996

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

Staff # 5

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2002

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/11/2019

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

Staff # 7

Not Met

Date of Hire: 11/20/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

Comment

Please be mindful of training expiration dates.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.33(1) requires all Employees and Provisional Employees to receive Initial Center orientation prior to assignment to children or task. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that five of seven employees did not have an orientation form on file as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and provide orientation for all new Staff prior to their staff's assignment to children or task.

Correction Deadline: 4/22/2019

Correction Deadline: 6/22/2018

Corrected on 4/10/2019

.33(6) - The previous citation is observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.