

## Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Date: 7/14/2017 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 8:50 AM Departure: 11:00 AM

CCLC-39202

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<u>Comp</u>	Complian history, as		
07/14/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/18/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Good Star
08/09/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Support
			Deficient

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 peri

- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

 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	1-Main	Four Year Olds	1	6	С	15	С	21	С	Music,Transitioni ng,Breakfast
Main	2 - Back	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	4	С	7	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Bre akfast,Free Play
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2	2		Total C ft.: 28	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Children this Date: 10		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2	2		Total C ft.: 28	apacity @	25 sq.			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playord -Main	27	С

#### Comments

This Licensing Study is the first regulatory visit for Especially Unique this 2017 - 2018 fiscal year.

The consultant reviewed all staff files. All staff have a satisfactory fingerprint criminal records clearance determination letter on file. One of four staff members have a comprehensive fingerprint clearance determination letter on file. Three staff members do not. The consultant discussed that all staff members are required to have a comprehensive criminal records check by October 1, 2017.

The provider stated Especially Unique provides liability insurance.

The consultant discussed SIDS / Safe Sleep with the center director and infant staff. No infants are present today.

The center does not provide medication, transportation or field trips.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/14/2017

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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.

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- 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

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

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)

Rose Hill, Program Official	Date	Connie Boatright, 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-.03 Activities Met

Comment

591-1-1-.03(1) - The consultant observed a variety of age appropriate activities through out the center.

Correction Deadline: 7/14/2017

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

Comment

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

**Children's Records** 

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

Comment

Observed-Records Complete/Well Organized

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Met

Comment

Observation-Clean and Well Maintained

## 591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

**Not Met** 

#### Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires that the Center and surrounding premises be clean, free of debris and in good repair. It was determined based on the consultant's direct observation that a 4 x 3 inch hole was located in the sheet rock in classroom A and accessible to the three and four-year-old children.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center director will repair the hole.

Correction Deadline: 7/31/2017

Recited on 7/14/2017

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(9) - All playground equipment should be washed and kept clean from seasonal weathering.

Correction Deadline: 7/14/2017

# Food Service

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

#### Comment

Menu Meets USDA Guidelines

## 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

## Comment

Kitchen Appears Clean/Well Organized

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

## Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

## 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

#### Commen

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

#### 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

#### Comment

The center director stated no medications are administered.

# **Policies and Procedures**

## 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

#### Comment

Emergency fire drills was completed and documented per requirements.

Correction Deadline: 7/19/2017 Safety 591-1-1-.05 Animals Met Comment No Animals Kept 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR) Met Comment Observed-Discussion/Redirection 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; disinfecting discussed Comment Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position **Staff Records** 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) Met Comment Criminal Records Check complete 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR **Technical Assistance Technical Assistance** 591-1-1-.14(2) - Reminder that all staff are to have up to date CPR and First Aid and a copy of a current

certification / care is to be on file.

Correction Deadline: 8/13/2017

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

### Comment

Lead staff education requirements

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-132 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)	Met
Comment Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios	
591-1-132 Supervision(CR)	Met

# Comment

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff