



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 8/3/2017      **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit      **Arrival:** 9:10 AM      **Departure:** 10:30 AM

**CCLC-39237**

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<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.
08/03/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/12/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/08/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

**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.

**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	Infants and One Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	3	11	C	18	C	NA	NA	Snack,Feeding
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 18					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 11			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 18		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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**Comments**

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.

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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@decal.ga.gov](mailto: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.

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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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Arlene Scarborough, Program Official

Date

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Brandi Mangino, 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-.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

### Facility

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

**Comment**

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

**Comment**

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

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

**Comment**

Discussed-Fluff/Redistribute Surface

### Health and Hygiene

**591-1-1-.07 Children's Health** **Met**

**Correction Deadline: 1/12/2017**

**Corrected on 8/3/2017**

**.07(5) - Citaton observed to be corrected.**

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

**Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

**Correction Deadline: 1/12/2017**

**Corrected on 8/3/2017**

**.17(7)(a-d) - Citation observed to be corrected.**

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

**Comment**

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures. The center does not dispense medication.

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**Policies and Procedures**

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**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures** **Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed adding more details to the emergency preparedness plan and updated to the new fire drill form.

**Correction Deadline: 8/8/2017**

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**Safety**

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

**Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

**Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Correction Deadline: 1/13/2017**

**Corrected on 8/3/2017**

**.30(1)(a)2 - Citation observed to be corrected.**

**Cribs observed to meet the requirements on this date.**

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**Staff Records**

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

**Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Education requirements met on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision