

# 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: 8/7/2020 VisitType: Complaint Investigation & Arrival: 1:00 PM Departure: 4:00 PM

Monitoring Visit

**CCLC-3319** 

#### **Byne Child Development Center**

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Quality Rated: \*\*

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Compliance Zone Designation							
08/07/2020	Complaint Closure	Good Standing					
08/07/2020	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing					
03/19/2020	Complaint Closure	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

Total Capacity @25 sq.

ft.: 0

rules.

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	Rm. 413 (12-18 Mos.)	Infants	2	7	С	19	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm.415 (12-18 Mos.)	One Year Olds	3	9	С	19	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm.416 (2 Yrs.)		0	0	С	18	С	NA	NA	
Main	Rm.417 (18-24 Mos.)	Two Year Olds	2	10	С	19	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm.418 (2-3 Yrs.)	Three Year Olds	1	3	С	18	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm.419 (3-3.5 Yrs)	One Year Olds	2	9	С	19	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm.420 (3-3.5 Yrs.)	Two Year Olds	2	12	С	18	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm.422 (3-4 Yrs.)		0	0	С	18	С	NA	NA	
Main	Room 411 (18 mos-2 yrs.)	Infants	1	2	С	19	С	NA	NA	Free Play
		Total Capacity @25 ag ft : 10	27		Total C	ongoity @	2F 00	•		

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 167 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

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Deficient

BuildingPlayground<br/>OccupancyPlayground<br/>ComplianceMainOutside Playground I60CMainOutside Playground II<br/>(Ballfield)600C

Comments

No Plan Developed

Total # Children this Date: 52

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).



Please refer to the website, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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@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: <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)





## **Important New Deadlines:**

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

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a> Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:gualityrated@decal.ga.gov">gualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

#### 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)

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.25(11)-Deferred until next visit.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

Floors will be maintained to be safe and sanitary.

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2020

#### Defer

591-1-1-.25(3)-Deferred until next visit.

#### 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: 3/23/2020

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

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.26(6)-Deferred until next visit.

#### 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: 3/19/2020

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.10(4)-Deferred until next visit.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center 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. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2020

#### Defer

591-1-1-.10(6)-Deferred until next visit.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any harmful item and provide instruction to staff. that includes identification and storage of hazardous items and procedures for keeping classrooms and other children's areas free of hazards.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2020

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

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.17(8)-Deferred until next visit.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure liquid soap and warm running water are available for handwashing, train Staff on the handwashing requirements, review the requirements with Staff periodically, and monitor handwashing.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2020

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

Met

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

**Organization** 

#### 591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.16(e)-Deferred until next visit.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

An application for amendment and all necessary documentation will be submitted.

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2020

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

#### Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

#### 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1.11(1)-Deferred until next visit.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will cease use of this disciplinary method; the director will provide staff training on appropriate child guidance techniques and have a system in place to monitor and identify/prevent inappropriate actions.

Correction Deadline: 3/19/2020

#### 591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

#### 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.30(2)(c)-Deferred until next visit.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will only place infants in safe cribs to sleep and will transfer them to a safe crib when the infants are asleep in other equipment.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2020

Staff Records

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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)

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.32(1)-Deferred until next visit.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hire additional Staff or reschedule current Staff to meet required Staff:child ratios and will organize children into groups that meet requirements.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2020

#### Defer

591-1-1-.32(2)-Deferred until next visit.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide adequate staff when there is a mixed-age group.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2020

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

Defer

#### Defer

591-1-1-.32(7)-Deferred until next visit.

#### **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 3/9/2020