

# 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:** 9/1/2017 Arrival: 9:05 AM VisitType: POI Follow Up **Departure:** 10:10 AM

**CCLC-10816** Regional Consultant

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Compliance Zone Designation				
09/01/2017	POI Follow Up	Good Standing		
08/11/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
02/10/2017	POI Follow Up	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

> 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-front left		0	0	С	12	С	NA	NA	-
Main	B-1R	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	8	С	10	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Floor Play
Main	C-Back	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	5	С	22	С	30	С	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 4	4		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 52		25 sq.			
Total # C	hildren this Date: 13	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 4	4		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 52

**Deficient** 

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground-Back	102	С
Main	Playground-left	71	С

# **Comments**

The purpose of this visit was to complete a Plan Of Improvement follow-up on this date.

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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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.

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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)

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Tonnie Merritt, Program Official	Date	Rhianna Clark, Consultant	Date



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# **Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

**Facility** 

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

**Not Met** 

### Findina

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on consultant observation, an inadequate amount of resilient surface was observed throughout the fall zone of the swinging equipment on playground labeled "Playground Left" on this date. Consultant observed three inches of resilient surface and grass growing throughout the fall zone on this date.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 9/15/2017

Recited on 9/1/2017

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2017

Corrected on 9/1/2017

Previous citation observed to be corrected in that consultant observed playground to be clean and free from hazards and litter on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2017

Corrected on 9/1/2017

Previous citation observed to be corrected in that consultant observed no objects or attachments in or on cribs on this date.

**Staff Records** 

**Records Reviewed: 5** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 06/27/2017

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 10/27/2013

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 12/03/2015

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 07/26/2017

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 06/17/2003

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2017

Corrected on 9/1/2017

Previous citation observed to be corrected in that consultant reviewed Criminal Records checks to be complete on this date.

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/18/2017

Corrected on 9/1/2017

Previous citation observed to be corrected in that consultant reviewed evidence of education included for staff hired on June 26, 2017 on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/1/2017

Corrected on 9/1/2017

Previous citation observed to be corrected in that 2 of 2 teachers/lead caregivers observed to meet minimum qualifications on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2017

Corrected on 9/1/2017

Previous citation observed to be corrected in that consultant observed adequate supervision on this date.