

# 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: 8/27/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 9:00 AM Departure: 1:30 PM

CCLC-1734 Regional Consultant

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Quality Rated:

08/27/2019

05/06/2019

01/30/2019



**Compliance Zone Designation** 

Monitoring Visit

Licensing Study

Complaint Closure

**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.

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**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	1st Right-Upper level	Infants	2	4	С	8	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	2nd Right-Upper level	One Year Olds	3	13	С	15	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	3rd Right-Upper level	Three Year Olds	2	10	С	12	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	4th Right-Upper level	Two Year Olds	3	13	С	13	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Front Stairs-Lower Level	PreK	2	22	С	25	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Stairs-Lower level	PreK	2	22	С	23	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 96				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 84		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 9	6		Total C	apacity @	25 sa.			

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Building Playground		Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Only	42	С

#### **Comments**

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit and follow up on previous citations on May 6, 2019.

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:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@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

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

#### 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)

Met

#### Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on Consultant's observation, that the fence was under the required four feet. The fence surrounding the larger and smaller playground, had a fence that reached 42 and 46 inches. Consultant also observed sharp edges along the bottom of the fence, aligning the back fence.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use. Consultant recommends adding garden fence panels to the top of the fence. Consultant also recommends putting a pool noodle at the bottom of the fence to prevent sharp corners from being accessible.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2019

### **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed. Consultant discussed with Director the sanitizing procedures for diapering.

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

#### 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

Correction Deadline: 5/11/2019

#### Corrected on 8/27/2019

.21(3) - Consultant observed proper documentation of all Emergency drills.

Safety

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

Met

#### Commen

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

#### 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)

Met

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 12	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 04/22/2019	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 06/17/2019	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 06/18/2018	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 07/01/2019	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2	
591-1-109 Criminal Records and Comprehensi	ve Background Checks(CR) Met
Comment	

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete. Consultant observed valid and current Satisfactory Comprehensive Records checks for 20 out of 20 staff members.

### 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Defer

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591-1-1-.33(6)- Center is still within the time frame to complete their required annual trainings. Consultant will review required Staff training for 2019, in the year 2020.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

#### Correction Deadline: 12/31/2019

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

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

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

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

Met

#### Comment

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