



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 5/23/2019    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 11:00 AM    **Departure:** 12:45 PM

**CCLC-23070**

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**Quality Rated:** ★

<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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
05/23/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/13/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/29/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

**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	1L	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	15	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Floor Play
Main	1R	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	11	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	BK LFT		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	BK RT	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	DOWNSTAIRS	Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	C	33	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	MIDDLE		0	0	C	27	C	NA	NA	
Main	MIDDLE RT		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 132						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 30			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 132			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	BACK PGROUND	56	C
Main	LEFT SIDE PGROUND	208	C
Main	RT PGROUND	20	C

**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).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.dec.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>, 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.

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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@dec.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.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://dec.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)



#### 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: <https://qualityrated.dec.ga.gov/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.ga.gov)

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Florence Odang-Okonta, Program Official

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-.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.

### Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.08(1)-Doctor, Clinic, Phone Numbers,.08(1)-Allergies and Disabilities	
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

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

Technical Assistance

#### Technical Assistance

Discussed documenting none or N/A for items not applicable on the enrollment packets.

## 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**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

**Comment**

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

## Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/13/2018

Corrected on 5/23/2019

.10(4) - Corrected by staff statement.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/13/2018

Corrected on 5/23/2019

.17(8) - Observed proper handwashing.

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

Met

**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

## Safety

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

Met

**Comment**

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**

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

## Staff Records

**Records Reviewed: 9**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 01/18/2011	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 03/30/2017	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 08/30/2007	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 01/30/2019	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 06/15/2007	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 09/02/2011	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 02/02/2018	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 09/28/2010	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 02/12/2018	Met

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9**

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

**Correction Deadline: 11/13/2018**

**Corrected on 5/23/2019**

**.09(1)(a) - All staff were determined to have a satisfactory comprehensive determination letter.**

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

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

**Staffing and Supervision**

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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.