



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/6/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 11:40 AM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-36303

Cornerstone Children's Center

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation			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 rules. Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
08/06/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/19/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/05/2017	Monitoring Visit	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	A-INF COLTS	One Year Olds	1	4	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B-INF LAMBS	Infants	2	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding
Main	C-1YR CUBS	One Year Olds	2	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Feeding
Main	D-2YR OWLS	Two Year Olds	2	10	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E-4-5 YRS HORSES	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and PreK	2	6	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	F-3 YR BEARS	Three Year Olds	3	13	C	20	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	G-3YRS-GAZELLES		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	H-5-12YRS LIONS	Six Year Olds and Over	2	10	C	22	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	I-2YR SHEEP	Two Year Olds	1	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 61			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 154							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-FR-0-4 YRS	53	C
Main	B-BK 5-12 YEARS	63	C

Comments

This Monitoring Visit is the first regulatory visit for Cornerstone Children's Center this 2018 - 2019 fiscal year.

The consultant reviewed all staff files and finds that each staff member has a satisfactory criminal records clearance determination letter on file. The consultant discussed with the center director that all staff members are required to have a comprehensive fingerprint clearance determination letter on file effective October 1, 2018.

The center assistant director stated medication is administered, field trips and transportation is provided.

The center currently has a two star Quality Rating.

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).



Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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@dec.al.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.al.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.

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). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.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.al.ga.gov

Cassie Neal, Program Official

Date

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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-.03 Activities

Met

Comment

The consultant observed a variety of age appropriate activities through out the center.

Correction Deadline: 8/6/2018

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-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition **Met**

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations **Met**

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **Met**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) **Met**

Comment

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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: 22	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
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Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2013	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 07/20/2018	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/11/2017	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2012	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 10/01/2014	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 03/01/2013	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 05/03/2017	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 06/03/2013	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/10/2015	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 09/30/2013	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 04/27/2016	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 08/15/2016	

Records Reviewed: 22**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 08/07/2017	
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 01/11/2016	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 08/24/2015	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 07/23/2013	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2013	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 02/10/2017	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 08/22/2016	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 08/08/2016	
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 01/16/2018	
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2013	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 22**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)** **Met****Comment**

Criminal records 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)** **Met****Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment

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