

# 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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Compliance Zone Designation									
10/06/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing							
05/16/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing							
10/26/2016	Licensing Study	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 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	Den	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	6	С	5	NC	7	С	Floor Play
Main	Kitchen		0	0	С	5	С	NA	NA	
	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 12			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks			
Total # Children this Date: 6 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:		2		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.	•			

BuildingPlaygroundPlayground OccupancyPlayground ComplianceMainPlayground16C

## **Comments**

The consultant discussed and issued the compliance determination worksheet on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/06/2017

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

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

**Children's Records** 

**Records Reviewed: 4** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4

Child #1

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing,.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing

Child # 2

Not Met

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing,.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing,.08(1)(a)-Work Address Missing

Child #3

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)(a)-Work Address Missing,.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing,.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing

Child #4

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing,.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing

**Not Met** 

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.08(1) requires the Center Staff to maintain a file for each child while such child is in care and for one year after that child is no longer enrolled. In order for the file to be complete, the file shall contain the following: child's name, birth date, sex, address, living arrangement, name of school if applicable; names of both Parents, home and work addresses, and home and work telephone numbers; name(s) and addresses of the person(s) to whom the child may be released including address, telephone numbers, relationship to child and to Parent(s), and other identifying information; name(s) and telephone number(s) of person(s) to contact in emergencies when the Parent cannot be reached; name and telephone number of the child's primary source of health care; and a statement regarding known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, mental retardation or developmental disabilities which limit the child's participation in the program. It was determined based on observation that two children's enrollment records did not include complete parental work addresses, complete emergency contact and release person's addresses.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will develop a plan that includes how to obtain all required information for currently enrolled children and how to ensure this is done for future enrollees as well. The plan will also include how and where to maintain files for the required amount of time. The plan will be implemented and followed.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2017

**Facility** 

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Not Met

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.06(4) requires a Center first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that remodel or add to existing plumbing facilities, to have the bathroom area fully enclosed and ventilated to the outside of the building with either an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system and requires Centers without fully enclosed bathrooms to ensure there is adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. It was determined based on observation that the ventilation fan in the bathroom was not working.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will fully enclose and ventilate bathroom areas, as required, and will provide adequate ventilation and sanitation in bathrooms that are not fully enclosed.

Correction Deadline: 11/5/2017

## 591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Licensed Capacity Met

## 591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Not Met

# Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that children had access to air freshener, shaving razors, toothpaste, and deodorant located in the bathroom.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

**Not Met** 

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that a step on the orange and blue portable slide was cracked.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove the slide so that it is not used. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 10/16/2017

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that children had access to active ant beds located near the blue and orange portable slide.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards. The center will ensure that there are no active ant beds accessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2017

**Food Service** 

## 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Not Met

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.15(3) requires baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. It was determined based on observation that infant bottles were not labeled.

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

The Center will train Staff to follow the required procedures, ensure that parents are fully informed, and will review and monitor regularly.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2017

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

Not Met

# Finding

591-1-1-.10(2) requires Centers first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that renovate existing plumbing facilities, to have a hand washing sink with running heated water located adjacent to the diapering area. Flush sinks shall not be used for hand washing. Cleansing procedures in other facilities shall be approved by the Department. It was determined based on observation that a hand washing sink was not located adjacent to the diaper changing table in the Den.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that a hand washing sink is located adjacent to each diapering area, that flush sinks are not used for handshaking, and that the department has approved cleansing procedures in other facilities, if applicable.

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

Met

## Comment

The consultant discussed required hand washing practices.

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

Met

#### Comment

The center stated that medication is not administered at this time.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals Not Met

# **Finding**

591-1-Ī-.05(1) requires Center Staff to control animals to assure proper sanitation of the premises is maintained and animals are not a hazard to the children, Personnel or visitors. No animals, such as but not limited to, pit bull dogs, ferrets, and poisonous snakes, which may have a vicious propensity, shall be permitted on the Center premises at any time there are children on the premises. Horses or other farm animals shall not be quartered on any property over which Center Staff exercises any control that is located within five hundred (500) feet of the building in which the Center is located. It was determined based on observation that the center had two caged squirrels accessible to children in the Den.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that the squirrels are no longer kept on the premises.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2017

## Comment

The consultant observed proof of vaccination records for the dogs.

Correction Deadline: 11/5/2017

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

**Technical Assistance** 

## **Technical Assistance**

The consultant discussed disciplinary practices and use of tone.

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

Met

## Comment

No Field Trips at This Time

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

Met

## Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Not Met** 

# Comment

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

#### Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)2 requires that a crib mattress is firm, tight-fitting without gaps, at least 2 inches thick and covered with a waterproof, washable material. Before a change of occupant, each mattress shall be cleaned with a disinfectant. It was determined based on observation that an infant slept in a portable crib which had an additional mattress placed beneath the manufacturer's mattress.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will remove the additional mattress and ensure that the crib mattress is firm and tight-fitting.

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on observation and the director's statement that the infant is placed to sleep in a portable crib with a loose-fitted sheet.

# **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will remove the loose fitted sheet and ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2017

# Staff Records

# **Records Reviewed: 2**

# **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1 Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/03/2002

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.09-Criminal Records Check Missing, .09-Criminal Records Check Missing

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/1990

# Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2

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

**Not Met** 

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires the Center to ensure that every Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of the Child Care Learning Center has a satisfactory records check determination before the individual is present at the Center or before the individual resides in a Center. It was determined based on review of records that a resident did not have a fingerprint clearance on file.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain the Required Satisfactory Records Check Determination before an individual is present at the Center while any child is present for care or before residing in a Center.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2017

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

# Comment

The consultant observed proof of ten hours of training and health and safety training.

# Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

## Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff: Child Ratios

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

**Not Met** 

## **Technical Assistance**

The consultant discussed adequate supervision and watchful oversight.

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times and that the persons supervising in the child care area be alert, able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the chaperones and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. It was determined based on observation that the director was observed outside upon the consultant's arrival leaving children inside.

# 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.