



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 3/21/2019    **VisitType:** MV POI Follow Up    **Arrival:** 11:00 AM    **Departure:** 12:50 PM

**CCLC-39200**

**U-H-C-C-C**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
03/21/2019	MV POI Follow Up	Good Standing
08/01/2018	Licensing Study	Deficient
06/06/2018	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 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	A (School-Age)	Two Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	3	C	5	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Transitioning, Outside, TV
Main	B (2-3 yrs.)		0	0	C	4	C	NA	NA	
Main	C (3-4 yrs.)		0	0	C	4	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			13			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 3			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	17	C

**Comments**

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/21/2019

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.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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.

**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.state.ga.us](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us).

- 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.state.ga.us/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).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>  
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.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a MV POI Follow Up:

### Activities and Equipment

**591-1-1-.03 Activities**

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.03(2) - Previous citation observed corrected in that the center had current lesson plans on site.**

**591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Discussed adding equipment and toys to enhance variety.

**591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

### Children's Records

**Records Reviewed: 3**

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

Child # 1

Met

Child # 2

Met

Child # 3

Met

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.08(1) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.**

**Correction Deadline: 8/11/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.08(2) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.**

**Facility**

**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**

**Met**

**Comment**

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.06(7) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.19(1) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.**

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

**Technical Assistance**

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591-1-1-.25(17) -Please ensure that the center premises is free of plants and shrubs which are poisonous or hazardous.

**Correction Deadline: 3/21/2019**

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.26(4) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.**

**Food Service**

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.15(5) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.15(5) - Please ensure that substitutions are recorded on the posted menu and menus shall be retained at the Center for six (6) months.

**Correction Deadline: 3/21/2019**

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.18(12) - Previous citation observed corrected.**

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

**Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

.17(7) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

.17(8) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.

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

**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

<b>Safety</b>
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**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

**Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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**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.

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**Records Reviewed: 3**

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

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 04/17/2017

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**Records Reviewed: 3**

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

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/2010

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 03/15/2013

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

**Comment**

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Met**

**Correction Deadline: 8/31/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.14(2) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.**

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Defer**

**Correction Deadline: 8/31/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.33(3) - Previous citation observed corrected in that the employee is no longer employed on this date.**

**Defer**

591-1-1-.33(6)- Annual training will be reviewed at the next licensing study.

**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: 8/31/2018**

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

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

**Correction Deadline: 9/3/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.31(1)(c) - Previous citation observed corrected in that the director has obtained a credential.**

**Staffing and Supervision**

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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.32(4) requires that children under three years old be housed in separate physical areas from older children and cannot be mixed with older children except at specified times and circumstances. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that children under three were housed in the same physical area other than the first hour of operation and the last hour of operation.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will maintain separation of these children under three years old.

**Correction Deadline: 3/21/2019**

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

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 8/1/2018**

**Corrected on 3/21/2019**

**.32(7) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.**