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Date: 2/11/2020 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:15 AM **Departure:** 11:20 AM

CCLC-465

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
02/11/2020	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing
01/23/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing
09/25/2019	Monitoring Visit	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	First Left	Infants and One Year Olds	1	2	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	First Right	PreK	2	20	C	19	NC	NA	NA	Free Play, Snack
Main	Fourth Left		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Fourth Right	Three Year Olds	2	16	C	22	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Middle Back		0	0	C	24	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Second Left	One Year Olds	1	3	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Second Right	PreK	2	22	C	20	NC	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Third Left	Two Year Olds	2	11	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Diapering
Main	Third Right	PreK	2	19	C	24	C	NA	NA	Centers

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 163

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 93

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Left Playground	16	C
Main	Middle Back Playground	110	C
Main	Right Playground	62	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a Complaint Investigation Follow Up.

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.al.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.

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).

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

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Facility

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

Playground not observed due to inclement weather.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Consultant spoke with the Quality Care Coordinator who stated that the center would be replacing playground equipment by December of 2019.

Correction Deadline: 10/9/2019

Staff Records

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on review of staff records that staff member #10 did take a Bright From the Start approved CPR/ First Aid training class. Staff member #9 took an on-line First Aid/ CPR training class that is not approved by Bright From the Start.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date through a Bright From the Start approved training class.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2020

Recited on 2/11/2020