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Date: 2/24/2020 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:35 AM **Departure:** 12:10 PM

CCLC-665

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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.
02/24/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/03/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/20/2019	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	2R Room 2		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	3L room 3	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	3R Room 4		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	4L Room 5	Three Year Olds	2	16	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	4R room 6		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	5L room 7		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	5R Room 8	PreK	2	15	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	6L Room 9		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	7L Room 10	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	6	C	21	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 191						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 49			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 191			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground Main	352	C
Main	Toddler Playground	20	C

Comments

Follow up to the previous Monitoring Visit that was conducted on September 3, 2019 was completed on this date.

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.state.ga.us/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.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

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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.

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

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

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

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**

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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.

The most recent health inspection was completed on September 5, 2019 and the center received a score of 100.

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)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

The Director stated that no medication has been administered since the previous visit was conducted on September 3, 2020. (This rule was not evaluated on this date).

Safety**591-1-1-.05 Animals****N/A****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

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

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) **N/A**

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) **N/A**

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.

The center does not serve infants.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 44

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 11/09/1995	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 08/02/2019	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 06/27/2019	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 02/11/2016	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 11/27/2017	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/23/2012	
Staff # 7	Not Met
Date of Hire: 01/23/2017	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 09/11/2014	

Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 10/29/2019	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 08/01/2019	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 07/27/2013	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 06/05/2018	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 09/03/2002	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 01/01/2019	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 04/23/2019	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 03/15/2019	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 12/03/2018	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 01/01/2009	Met
Staff # 19	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 04/04/2019	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 03/15/2019	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 02/24/2017	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 07/18/2008	Met
Staff # 24	Met

Date of Hire: 03/19/2019

Staff # 25 Met

Staff # 26 Met

Date of Hire: 03/22/2019

Staff # 27 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2019

Staff # 28 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2019

Staff # 29 Met

Date of Hire: 03/22/2019

Staff # 30 Met

Date of Hire: 03/22/2019

Staff # 31 Met

Date of Hire: 08/02/1993

Staff # 32 Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2018

Staff # 33 Met

Date of Hire: 03/06/2019

Staff # 34 Met

Date of Hire: 07/29/1983

Staff # 35 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2009

Staff # 36 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2009

Staff # 37 Met

Date of Hire: 11/16/1998

Staff # 38 Met

Date of Hire: 07/22/2019

Staff # 39 Met

Staff # 40 Met

Records Reviewed: 44

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Date of Hire: 01/01/2019

Staff # 41

Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2019

Staff # 42

Met

Staff # 43

Met

Date of Hire: 06/26/2017

Staff # 44

Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2018

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2019

Corrected on 2/24/2020

.09(1)(a) - All staff employed on this date were observed to have a satisfactory criminal record check on file.

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2019

Corrected on 2/24/2020

.09(1)(c) - Criminal record checks were observed completed as required.

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

Not Met

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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 a review of records that employee #9, and #19, had completed CPR and First Aid training online which is not accepted.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 3/25/2020

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training for the 2019 year.

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.

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

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