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Date: 4/27/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 10:50 AM

CCLC-3222

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
04/27/2023	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
04/27/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
03/13/2023	Licensing Study	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-Right Hallway-1R-Left/Right Side 3's	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	21	C	25	C	NA	NA	TV,Centers
Main	B- Right Hallway-2R-Left/Right Classrooms- 4-5's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	25	C	30	C	42	C	Centers,Art
Main	C-Mid-Center A/S		0	0	C	19	C	27	C	
Main	D- 1st Left Hallway-1 & 2 R Classroom (1-2's)	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	21	C	39	C	NA	NA	Music,Centers
Main	E -1st Left Hallway-1L Classroom (Infants)	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	23	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding,Na p
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			136		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 136					
Total # Children this Date: 73			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 136		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 136					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	2's	26	C
Main	3's-School Age	78	C
Main	Infants	29	C

Comments

Consultant completed a Complaint Investigation/Follow-Up Visit.

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.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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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 Quality Rated/CAPS Update:

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Rachal Penland, Program Official

Date

Chasity Baugh, Consultant

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(Findings Report)

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

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed 591-1-1-.03(14) which requires center staff to limit the use of entertainment media, such as television, videotaped programs or movies and video or computer games to no more than two (2) hours daily per child or group; to provide such activities only at times when alternative activities are available for children who choose not to participate; and to use entertainment media that is age-appropriate in accordance with the Entertainment Software Rating Board (ESRB) and the Motion Picture Association of America (MPAA).

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2023

Corrected on 4/27/2023

.19(1) - This previous citation was observed to be corrected as classroom B had 29 children on their roster.

Health and Hygiene

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

Defer

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591-1-1-.20(3)-This previous citation was deferred and will be observed at the next regulatory visit due to center not administering medication since last visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff responsible for dispensing medication in the accurate completion and storage of the records and will implement a plan to monitor this.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2023

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Please be mindful of voice tone in redirecting children.

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 3/14/2023

Corrected on 4/27/2023

.36(7)(c)3. - This previous citation was observed to be corrected.

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. The responsible person shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and sign the passenger transportation checklist(s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. It was determined based on observation On April 19, April 20 and April 21, the signature of the person conducting the second check was missing from the school transportation form.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Staff Records

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each Staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; precautions in transporting children; recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and child development. It was determined based on a review of records that 4 staff members did not have the Health and Safety orientation training as required..

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates and will ensure that the training includes all required components as required.

Correction Deadline: 5/4/2023

Recited on 4/27/2023

Defer

591-1-1-.31(1)(b)2.- This previous citation deferred and will be observed at the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director meets the minimum education and work requirements and secure the necessary documentation.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2023

Staffing and Supervision**Finding**

591-1-1-.32(1) requires the Center to maintain the required Staff:child ratios as follows: under 1 year or under 18 months if not walking = 1:6; 1 year and walking = 1:8; 2 years = 1:10; 3 years = 1:15; 4 years = 1:18; 5 years = 1:20; and 6 years and older = 1:25. A Center must establish groupings of children for care with maximum group sizes as follows: under 1 year = 12; under 18 months/not walking = 12; 1 year and walking = 16; 2 years = 20; 3 years = 30; 4 years = 36; 5 years = 40; and 6 years and older = 50. It was determined based on observation one of the staff members in classroom B stepped over the threshold, entering Classroom A through the conjoined bathroom, leaving classroom B in a ratio of 1:25, which included four three-year-olds, 18 four-year-olds and three five-year-olds.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hire additional Staff or reschedule current Staff to meet required Staff:child ratios and will organize children into groups that meet requirements.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023