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Cover Sheet

Date: 3/29/2022 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation & Follow Up **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 1:45 PM

CCLC-35600

Childcare Network #218

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
03/29/2022	Incident Investigation & Follow Up	Good Standing
02/23/2022	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Deficient
02/03/2022	Complaint Investigation & 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
Bldg. I	1st Left	One Year Olds	1	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Bldg. I	1st Right	Infants	2	9	C	18	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding, Nap
Bldg. I	2nd Left	Two Year Olds	3	13	C	25	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Bldg. I	2nd Right	One Year Olds	2	14	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Bldg. I	Back	Three Year Olds	2	14	C	72	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 144					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Bldg. II	Left Side	GA PreK	2	12	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside
Bldg. II	Right Side	GA PreK	2	9	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 38					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 78			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 182			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Bldg. I	Main	77	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a virtual follow up to the February 3, 2022 monitoring visit as well as to initiate an investigation for a self reported incident, intake 42964. The consultant discussed the complaint investigation and addressed all concerns presented by the center staff during the visit. An exit conference was completed and a copy of the report was sent to the program.

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



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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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)

Angel Reynolds, Program Official

Date

Twantaye Compton, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation & Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

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

Defer

Defer

Deferred until the next regional visit for physical observation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will provide age-appropriate toys and remove any toys that are not age-appropriate in each room housing children under three years of age. The Center will implement a plan to train Staff to regularly examine toys for the listed hazards and remove toys when hazards are identified and to clean toys with a disinfectant daily.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2022

Facility

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

Defer

Defer

Deferred until the next regional visit for physical observation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring. The Director stated trash cans and their lids would be cleaned, toys and shelves would be cleaned, a new light switch was purchased on the date of the visit, the blood was cleaned off of the toilet, ceiling tiles were repaired and replaced on the date of the visit.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2022

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

Defer

Defer

Deferred until the next regional visit for physical observation.

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 Maintenance Lead stated the rust on the climber would be corrected and the climber on the GA Pre-K playground was closed and would be repaired before children were allowed on the equipment.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2022

Staffing and Supervision

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

Defer

Defer

Deferred until the next regional visit for physical observation.

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.

Correction Deadline: 2/23/2022