



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 8/10/2023    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 10:30 AM    **Departure:** 3:50 PM

**CCLC-1534**

**Childtime Childcare #1122**

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**Quality Rated:** ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
08/10/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/13/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/24/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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	Room 1	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Centers
Main	Room 2	Two Year Olds	2	15	C	16	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning, Circle Time
Main	Room 3	Infants and One Year Olds	2	12	C	15	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Circle Time
Main	Room 4-center rt	GA PreK	2	20	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap, Circle Time, Transitioning
Main	Room 5-Frt Rt	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	15	C	18	C	NA	NA	Nap, Transitioning, Centers
Main	Room 6-back Rt	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 104					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 87			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 104			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Back Playground	99	C
Main	Toddler Playground	17	C

## Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a Monitoring Visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/10/2023

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](http://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 1 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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Olivia Jones, Program Official

Date

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**(Findings Report)**

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

**Activities and Equipment**

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

**Not Met**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that all staff provide individual attention to each child by responding promptly to the child's distress signals and need for comfort. Please ensure that staff respond quickly to children who are showing signs of distress.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.03(9) requires center staff to refrain from engaging in, or allowing children or other adults to engage in, activities that could be detrimental to a child's health or well-being, such as but not limited to, horse play, rough play, wrestling, and picking up a child in a manner that could cause injury. It was determined based on observation that a staff member in Room 6 was observed to pull on a three-year-old child's leg roughly two times to pull them back onto their cot during naptime.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will review requirements with Staff to ensure that appropriate activities are conducted with children.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Correction Deadline: 3/20/2023**

**Corrected on 8/10/2023**

**.12(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The couches have been removed.**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. Please ensure that the bumper pads along the edges of the shelves in the infant room are free from peeling and tearing.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

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

Center does not provide swimming activities.

<b>Facility</b>
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**591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)****Met****Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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**591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)****Not Met****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children. Please ensure all plastic bags are stored inaccessible to children.

**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that in the boys bathroom in Room 4, a section of the wall next to the toilet that had bubbling and peeling paint that was in need of repair.

**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. Please repair the bubbling and peeling paint and monitor for needed repairs.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that each child's personal items to be kept in individually labeled cubbies, lockers or racks separated from articles used by other children. The spaces shall be accessible to the children to whom they are assigned. Please ensure that all backpacks and personal items are stored separately.

**Correction Deadline: 9/9/2023**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Not Met****Correction Deadline: 3/13/2023****Corrected on 8/10/2023****.26(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The fence boards have been repaired.****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that following playground hazards were observed:

-Several thorny vines were observed along the outside perimeter fence on the left side, the back fence, and the right side of the playground.

-Three water hoses were observed on the on the ground against the building on the left side, the middle, and the right side of the playground that posed a potential trip hazard.

**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.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. Please check the playground for trash and debris and pick up as needed.

Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that the brown changing pad in Room 1, Room 2, and Room 5 were worn leaving spots in the changing pad that were no longer nonporous as required.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2023

Recited on 8/10/2023

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

**Safety**

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

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.11(2) requires that Personnel not: physically or sexually abuse a child or engage or permit others to engage in sexually overt conduct in the presence of any child enrolled in the Center; inflict corporal/physical punishment upon a child; shake, jerk, pinch or handle a child roughly; verbally abuse or humiliate a child which includes, but is not limited to, the use of threats, profanity or belittling remarks about a child or his family; isolate a child in a dark room, closet or unsupervised area; use mechanical or physical restraints or devices to discipline children; use medication to discipline or control children's behavior without written medical authorization issued by a licensed professional and given with the parent's written consent; restrict unreasonably a child from going to the bathroom; punish toileting accidents; force-feed a child or withhold feeding a child regularly scheduled meals and/or snacks; force or withhold naps; allow children to discipline or humiliate other children; or confine a child for disciplinary purposes to a swing, highchair, infant carrier, walker or jump seat. It was determined based on observation that a staff member in classroom 6 was observed to state "Get your behind off my carpet" in a hard tone of voice as a form of discipline.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will take immediate action to ensure the action/conduct has ceased; train/review appropriate child guidance techniques with center staff; and have a system in place to monitor and identify inappropriate actions.

Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023

**591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that Center Staff to obtain written permission from Parents in advance of the child's participation in any field trip and such permission must be signed and dated by a Parent. Please ensure the parents include the date that the permission form is signed.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that each vehicle contains current information including: the full names of all children to be transported, each child's pick-up location, pick-up time, delivery location, alternate delivery location if a Parent is not at home and name of person authorized to receive each child. In addition, the vehicle shall contain current information identifying the Center's name, telephone number and the name of the driver of the vehicle. Please ensure that the delivery location is filled in on all transportation records.

**Correction Deadline: 8/11/2023**

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**

**Not Met**

**Technical Assistance**

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. Please ensure that staff sanitize mats daily due to them being stored touching.

**Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)2 requires that a crib mattress is firm, tight-fitting without gaps, at least 2 inches thick and covered with a waterproof, washable material. Before a change of occupant, each mattress shall be cleaned with a disinfectant. It was determined based on observation that one crib mattress, that was occupied by a one-year-old child, had one corner that was not flat due to the sheet being too tight that created a gap under the mattress that posed a potential safe sleep hazard.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will ensure that a crib mattress is firm, tight-fitting without gaps, at least 2 inches thick and covered with a waterproof, washable material. Please ensure that all mattresses are flat and free from gaps before being occupied.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that sheets or similar coverings for cots or mats shall either be marked for individual use or laundered daily. If marked for individual use, they must be laundered weekly or more frequently if needed. Please ensure that each child is provided a sheet or bottom cover for nap each day.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

**Staff Records**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

**Comment**

Director provided five files for employees hired since the last visit.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

**Staffing and Supervision**

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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Met****Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.