

#### Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Departure: 12:00 PM Date: 7/24/2023 Arrival: 10:30 AM VisitType: Monitoring Visit

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Quality Rated:



Compliance Zone Designation				
07/24/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
06/02/2023	Complaint Closure	Good Standing		
05/03/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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.

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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	A	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	С	7	С	NA	NA	Centers,Floor Play
Main	В	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	3	С	9	С	NA	NA	Centers,Free Play
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	12		Total 0 ft.: 0	Capacity @	25 sq.		@35 cap shall Limi	acity limited by tations
Total # Ch	nildren this Date: 9	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:	12		Total 0	Capacity @	25 sq.	•		

Building Playground		Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	14	С

#### **Comments**

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit and to follow up on previously cited rule violations. The Center participates in the Quality Rated Program.

07/26/2023: Monitoring Visit Report revised in section for Rule No. 591-1-1-.11(1) to correct grammar and style used in comments made by Consultant, Rena Keene

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).

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Please refer to the website, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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 <u>www.decalkoala.com</u> 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 <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

Jacqueline Michelle McQuaig, Program Official Date	Rena Keene, Regional Consultant Date



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### (Findings Report)

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#### The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# 591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR) Activities and Equipment Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26 - Playground observed to be clean and in good repair. Please be sure that the low hanging limbs of the elm trees are kept trimmed to above eye level of the children in care. The heavy rains recently have created a lot of new growth and should be monitored regularly.

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#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. Two mini-trampolines were observed on the back playground that must be removed from the outdoor play area as they are not allowed. The Director was unaware that this type of equipment is not allowed because it was shown in the materials available for purchase through Class Wallet.

Additionally, the gas tank piece that is broken on the pink Cozy Coupe car should be removed or repaired.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2023

## **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Met

#### Commen

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)

Met

#### Correction Deadline: 6/9/2023

#### Corrected on 7/24/2023

.11(1) - Disciplinary rules and guidelines were discussed with the Director. Staff stated that they use only disciplinary procedures that are age-appropriate. Consultant observed a pleasant learning environment which included the use of redirection and engagement to guide the behavior of the children present during visit.

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

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

# Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

#### Commen

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.

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Staff Records

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

Met

#### Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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.

#### Comment

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

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

Met

#### Comment

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

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