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Cover Sheet

Date: 12/13/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 10:00 AM

Departure: 1:30 PM

CCLC-22068

Childcare Network #160

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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.
12/13/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/08/2022	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
03/29/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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	Fifth Left		0	0	C	26	C	37	C	
Main	First Left	One Year Olds	2	14	C	17	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	First Right	Infants	3	10	C	21	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Nap, Diapering
Main	Fourth Left	Two Year Olds	2	18	C	18	C	25	C	Centers
Main	Fourth Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	21	C	24	C	33	C	Centers
Main	Front Left (Pre-K)	PreK	2	18	C	24	C	34	C	Music
Main	Front Right (Pre-K)		0	0	C	20	C	28	C	
Main	Second Left	One Year Olds	1	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	Second Right	Two Year Olds	3	10	C	16	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	Third Left	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	9	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Free Play, Floor Play
Main	Third Right	Three Year Olds	2	18	C	19	C	NA	NA	Centers
					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 204		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 249			
Total # Children this Date: 122			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 204			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 249				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Front Left-Play	35	C
Main	Front Right-Play	20	C
Main	Large Back-Play	371	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Licensing Study and to follow up on the previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/13/2022

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/RuleAndRegulations.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)

Katina Mathis, Program Official

Date

Melyn Smith, Consultant

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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)

Not Met

Comment

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

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) requires 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. It was determined, based on observation, that the blue vinyl seat in the Fourth Right classroom had a tear in the corner with foam exposed which prevented the furniture from being kept clean on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children.

Correction Deadline: 12/16/2022

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(3)-Name of Release Person Missing,.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing,.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing

Child # 2

Met

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Met
Child # 7	Met
Child # 8	Met
Child # 9	Met
Child # 10	Met

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.08(1) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure children's files contained all required information on this date as one child was lacking the information for the emergency contact and release persons on this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/13/2022

Correction Deadline: 6/24/2022

Corrected on 12/13/2022

.08(2) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that the Center Staff maintained a file for each child enrolled which included evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations on this date.

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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure the blue contact paper was replaced or removed, as it was observed peeling off shelves near the windows in the Second Right classroom on this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/13/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure the ventilation/exhaust fans in the bathrooms and above the diaper changing areas were free of dust on this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/13/2022

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.

Comment

Please ensure that infant feeding forms are updated regularly.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

N/A

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

Safety

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)

Met

Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure that cots were stored in the children's activity room or area covered to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space.

Correction Deadline: 12/13/2022

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 29

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 10/24/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 04/15/2022	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 10/12/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 10/04/2021	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 05/14/2018	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 02/26/2014	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 08/05/2013	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 01/24/2019	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 10/17/2021	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 10/19/2022	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 11/10/2021	

Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 03/03/2022	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 11/15/2018	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 06/18/2013	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 06/03/2019	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 05/12/2003	Met
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 08/02/2022 <u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> .14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing	Not Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 01/06/2020	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 06/25/2018	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 04/06/2022	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 04/24/2019	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 07/04/2020	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 04/18/2022	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 01/15/2019	Met
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 08/02/2016	Met
Staff # 26	Met

Records Reviewed: 29

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Date of Hire: 12/16/2021

Staff # 27 Met

Date of Hire: 05/29/2018

Staff # 28 Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2022

Staff # 29 Met

Date of Hire: 03/01/2022

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 14

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR Not Met

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 review of records, that Staff #17, hired August 2, 2022, was lacking completion of certification in first aid and CPR training within 90 days of employment as required.

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: 1/12/2023

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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.