



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 5/1/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:20 AM **Departure:** 3:00 PM

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
05/01/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
10/21/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
04/06/2022	Monitoring Visit	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
Main	112	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	12	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Outside
Main	A 113	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	5	C	11	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Free Play
Main	B 115	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	14	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	C 117	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	D 119	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	14	C	20	C	Transitioning
Main	E 121	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	15	C	17	C	24	C	Transitioning, Outside
Main	F 120	One Year Olds	1	6	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	G 118	Infants	1	2	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Feeding
Main	H 116	Infants	1	5	C	10	C	14	C	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 113					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 130					
Total # Children this Date: 71			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 113			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 130				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PLAYGROUND	49	C

Comments

The purpose of the visit is to conduct a Complaint Investigation and a Monitoring Visit. The Investigation was not completed on the day of the visit. The Director will be notified once the investigation is completed.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/01/2023

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 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!

Vanessa Truesdale, Program Official

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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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

Met

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

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(4) - Please ensure that the fence is attached at the top and not creating gaps.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2023

Health and Hygiene

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10(1) - Please ensure that the exhausts are operating as required in the Diaper rooms and pulling the air in.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2023

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10(4) - Please ensure that the diapering surface in room 113 is smooth and non-porous by adding a diapering mat.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2023

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.20(1) - Please ensure that the parental instructions are complete.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2023

Organization

591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.16(f) - Discussed with the Director that Application for an Amendment under Increase/Decrease Capacity needs to be submitted for:

* Combining rooms 116 and 118 into one (there was an accordion movable wall that has not been in use and the room functions as one).

* Adding the second playground. Department records indicate only one playground.

* Adding the Chapel as a Special Use room.

Additionally, rooms 116 and 117 are currently Non Diaper rooms and need to be changed to Diaper room.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2023

Policies and Procedures

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/26/2022

Corrected on 5/1/2023

.21(3) - Previous citation was corrected on this date as consultant observed complete drills form.

Safety

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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)**Not Met****Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 - Discussed with the provider that the mats need to be at least two inches thick.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2) requires the Center to provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants. Center Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant's back in a crib unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant's back but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred position and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer's guidelines and will not slide up around the infant's face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant. Swaddling shall not be used unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Center Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant, such as, but not limited to, crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation that there was a stuffed animal and a pacifier with an attachment in a crib with an infant in it. There were no incidents or injuries.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will take all steps necessary to provide a safe sleep environment for infants as listed in these rules; will train Staff to follow these rules; and will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2023

Staff Records

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

591-1-1-.09(1) - Please ensure that the date of employment on the Orientation form is on or after the clearance date on the background check letter.

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.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(7) - Discussed with the provider that staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger.

Additionally, supervision during transition to and from the playground and to and from the bathrooms in the hallway was discussed.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2023

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(7) - Please ensure that there is enough light and staff is able to see the children during nap time.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2023