

# 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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Date: 2/3/2017 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 1:00 PM Departure: 2:45 PM

CCLC-39298

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Compliance Zone Designation				
02/03/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	ļ	
08/24/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing	ŀ	
02/25/2016	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

**Deficient** 

- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

rules.

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	Room A - 6wk to 7 yr olds	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	С	15	С	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 15	5		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # C	children this Date: 12	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 15	5		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Area A - 6wk to 7 yr olds	46	С

#### Comments

Requested staff files on this day. Left a one day letter.

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).



Reminder: <u>All</u> employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <a href="www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.



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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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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)

Stephanie Holloway, Program Official	Date	Leah Klatzker, Consultant	Date



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### **Findings Report**

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	Activities and Equipment
591-1-135 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)	Met
Comment No Conference of Astroitics Presided	
No Swimming Activities Provided	Facility.
	Facility
591-1-125 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
Comment Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible	
591-1-126 Playgrounds(CR)	Met
Comment Observation-Clean/Good Repair	
·	Health and Hygiene
591-1-110 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)	Met
Comment	
Staff Stated Proper Knowledge	
591-1-117 Hygiene(CR)	Met
Comment	
Hand washing discussed.	
591-1-120 Medications(CR)	Met
Comment	
Per director, no medications are dispensed.	

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

Met

Comment

No Field Trips at This Time

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

Met

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)3 requires 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. It was determined based observation that eleven of twelve children were observed to be sleeping on cots without a sheet or covering on the cot.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that sheets or covering are used on the cots.

Correction Deadline: 2/4/2017

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.30(2)(b) requires that 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. It was determined based on observation that one one-year-old child was sleeping in a crib with a blanket on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that children in cribs do not use blankets.

Correction Deadline: 2/4/2017

Staff Records

#### **Records Reviewed: 3**

Staff # 1

Staff # 2

#### **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.09-Criminal Records Check Missing, .09-Criminal Records Check Missing

Date of Hire: 01/08/2017

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.09-Criminal Records Check Missing

## 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(e) requires every Employee hired before January 1, 2014 have either a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check Determination or a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination on file and requires that Employees hired before January 1, 2014 that have only a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check Determination on file to obtain a Fingerprint Records Check Determination before January 1, 2017. It was determined based on a review of records that one employee did not submit their application to the department after getting fingerprinted.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that every employee hired before January 1, 2014 has a satisfactory preliminary determination or satisfactory fingerprint determination on file and will have a plan to ensure that these employees obtain a Fingerprint Records Check Determination before January 1, 2017.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2017

#### **Finding**

591-1-Ī-.09(1)(g) requires Provisional Employees hired on or after January 1, 2014 to have a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check Determination. A Provisional Employee cannot reside at the Center or be present at the Center while children are present for care for more than 21 days from the date of hire or first day of residency without first submitting both a Fingerprint Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on a review of records that one employee did complete their fingerprints and has been at the facility for more than 21 days.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that Provisional Employees hired on or after January 1, 2014 have a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check Determination. The Center will have a plan to ensure that Provisional Employees hired on or after January 1, 2014 submit a Fingerprint Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site within 21 days from the date of hire or the first day of residency. The Center will not allow a provisional employee to be at the Center while children are present if this requirement is not met.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2017

# Staffing and Supervision

#### 591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

**Not Met** 

#### Finding

591-1-1-.32(3)(a) requires the Center to maintain Staff-child ratios in mixed-age groups of children under three years old based on the age of the youngest child under three years of age. It was determined based on observation that upon consultant's arrival the ratio was 1:12 with one one-year-old child, three two-year-old children, five three-year-old children and three four-year-old children. The required ratio was 1:8 on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure adequate Staff: child ratios for groups of children three years and younger are met the Center will ensure to follow the staff: child ratio.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2017

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

Met

#### Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision