



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/14/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 12:30 PM

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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. 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.
02/14/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/04/2016	Initial Licensing Study	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	B- Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	2	4	C	11	C	NA	NA	Art,Nap
Main	C- 1's/2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	6	C	17	C	NA	NA	Snack,Diapering, Free Play
Main	D-3's	Three Year Olds	1	7	C	17	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	E-2's	One Year Olds	2	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 58					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Total # Children this Date: 24 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 58 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A- 6 wks-18mth	8	C
Main	Playground B- Preschool-School age	144	C

Comments

Discussed health/safety orientation requirements

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/14/2017

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Refutation Process:

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- 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

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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)

Martha Rodriguez, Program Official

Date

Mechelle Bethea, Consultant

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

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2016

Corrected on 2/14/2017

.06(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the exhaust fan to be in working order.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be inaccessible to children. It was determined unsafe storage of materials dangerous to children was observed as follows:

- Unlocked cabinet with a teacher's purse accessible to children in Classroom B-Infants
- Unlocked cabinet with disinfectant wipes accessible to children in Classroom B-Infants
- Teacher's purse on a low shelf accessible to children in Classroom D-3's
- Teacher's purse on the floor accessible to children in Classroom C-1's/2's

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the safe storage of hazardous items, the center will store hazardous items out of reach of children.

Correction Deadline: 2/14/2017

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2016

Corrected on 2/14/2017

.25(6) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed accessible storage for children's personal items.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(7) requires that doors to rooms not approved for child care, other than the kitchen doors, be latched or locked so children cannot wander into those areas. and requires that in all rooms, Except in School-age Centers, interior Center door locks shall permit Personnel to open the locked room from outside of the room in an emergency. It was determined based on consultant's observation that the kitchen area and hall storage closet lacked a latched or locked door to prevent children from having access to these areas.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check that doors to unapproved rooms remain latched or locked and that Staff can open the locked rooms in an emergency. A half door will be added to each area to prevent the children from wandering into the area.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2017

Recited on 2/14/2017

Finding

591-1-1-.25(8) requires protective caps on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. It was determined based on consultant's observation that unused electrical outlets in the following classrooms did have protective caps:

- Special Use Room-A
- Classroom E-2's
- Special Use Room-F
- Special Use Room-G

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to check outlets and replace protective caps when needed and identify and monitor how outlets in use are inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 2/14/2017

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2016

Corrected on 2/14/2017

.26(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

Finding

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. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on consultant's observation that the large play structure on playground B had red chipped paint throughout.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2017

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2016

Corrected on 2/14/2017

.26(8) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the air condition unit to have a barrier.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Observed-Proper Diapering

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

Comment

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

Comment

Medications are not administered at this time.

Safety

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

Comment

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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**

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2016

Corrected on 2/14/2017

.30(1)(a) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed four cribs in Classroom-B-Infants

Correction Deadline: 8/5/2016

Corrected on 2/14/2017

.30(1)(b) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed the correct number of cots for enrolled children.

Correction Deadline: 8/5/2016

Corrected on 2/14/2017

.30(1)(b)3 - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed sheets for cots.

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2)(h) requires that infants shall not sleep in equipment other than safety-approved cribs, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the Center asleep or fall asleep in such equipment, on the floor or elsewhere, shall be transferred to a safety-approved crib. It was determined that based on consultant's observation that an infant was asleep in a car safety seat in Classroom B-Infants.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will place infants in safety approved sleeping equipment once the child falls asleep.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) **Met**

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Met**

Comment

Health/Safety training reminder

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision