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Date: 2/15/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 1:25 PM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

CCLC-2304

Lighthouse Early Start Academy One

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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.
02/15/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/08/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/10/2016	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	A - 1st Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	5	C	13	C	18	C	Nap, Transitioning	
Main	B - 1st Right		0	0	C	7	C	NA	NA		
Main	C - 2nd Right		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA		
Main	D - 2nd Left	Three Year Olds	1	4	C	6	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap	
Main	E - 3rd Right		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA		
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			29			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0			Building capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations
Total # Children this Date:			9			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:		0			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	50	C

Comments

The center director provided one file for an employee hired since the last visit on this date. The consultant and director also discussed that all employees with BOE clearance letters must undergo the comprehensive background check and have that clearance by October 1, 2017. All employees have completed health and safety orientation and all employees have completed and obtained a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/15/2017

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: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. 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: <http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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)

Jessica Towns-Moore, Program Official

Date

Kesha McNeal, 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)

Met

Comment

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Records Complete/Well Organized

591-1-1-.23 Parental Authorization

Met

Comment

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Observation-Clean and Well Maintained

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that there was a 4 inch gap located on the right middle section of the playground near the building accessible to children causing a potential entrapment hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 2/15/2017**Recited on 2/15/2017**

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Comment**

Menu Meets USDA Guidelines

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Kitchen Appears Clean/Well Organized

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**N/A****Comment**

No diapering children enrolled

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

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures. On this date the center director stated that no medication is being dispensed.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

No Animals Kept

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) **N/A**

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Correct number of mats; disinfecting discussed

Staff Records

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

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

Comment

One new staff member hired since last visit

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR **Met**

Comment

Observed-100% Certified First Aid & CPR

Comment

Observed-Center/Vehicle Kits Complete

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

Comment

Observed - Documentation Of Training

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