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Date: 2/15/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 12:15 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.
02/15/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/23/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/23/2016	Monitoring Visit	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
Bld 2	Rm E -School age	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	C	25	C	NA	NA	Centers, Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	A Entrance		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	B back	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	19	C	NA	NA	Centers, Free Play
Main	C right front	One Year Olds	1	6	C	7	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Floor Play
Main	D right back	One Year Olds	1	5	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 55			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations				
Total # Children this Date: 32			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 80			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	30	C

Comments

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).



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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@dec.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://dec.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.

I have read and understand the Rules and Regulations for Group Day Care Homes, 290-1-1. I acknowledge that the items noted in this report have been discussed with me and I have agreed to a Plan of Improvement (POI) as indicated in this report. I understand that correction of these deficiencies, while required, will not necessarily prevent DECAL from taking adverse action against this facility. I understand that if I disagree with any of the deficiencies cited, I have the right to refute them on this report or any other form that I choose to send to Child Care Services.

, Program Official

Date

, Consultant

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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-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Observation-Center Clean/Well Maintained

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) requires that the Center and surrounding premises be clean, free of debris and in good repair. One of the three bookshelves/toy shelves in the center of the room was not stable and could easily be moved. It was suggested that this shelving be move to a wall or stabilized in some way so as not to pose a hazard to the children.

Correction Deadline: 2/15/2017

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

591-1-1-.26(8) requires the playground to be kept clean, free of litter and hazards. It was determined based on consultant's observation that the playground was not free of hazards. Roots that posed tripping hazards were observed in several areas around smaller trees. The center had painted those roots, but they were not large stationery roots that it would suffice to have them prominently noted. The roots that posed the tripping hazards were small spindly roots could easily snare feet. Additionally, an old wooden barrier was noted close to the cement pad where the picnic tables were housed that also posed a tripping hazard. The boards and wooden protrusion were close enough that tripping on them could cause a child to fall on the cement.

In the corner of the ramp and outside wall, a gap of approximately four inches was noted that posed an entrapment hazard for limbs. Another gap was also noted between the lattice and outside wall of the three and four year old building that was six inches wide and posed an entrapment hazard large enough for a small body to get trapped.

A small lemon tree was also noted on the front corner of the playground and thorns were noted on the plant. Also, an entrance to crawl space beneath the building was not latched or secured to prevent children's access to it. A piece of siding was observed beside the opening that was sharp and posed a hazard to the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the playground, the center will make all required changes as follows: Small roots will be either eliminated or covered; the gaps in the corners of the building will be covered in a way to prevent entrapment; the boards close to the cement pad will be removed or covered; the lemon tree will be removed or enclosed so that children do not have access to them; the opening will be secured by a latch or other means; ;and the siding will be covered or removed so that no sharp edges are exposed.

Correction Deadline: 3/1/2017

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Observed-Proper Diapering

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10(3)(a) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous. The diaper changing table in the two year old classroom was observed to be covered with vinyl flooring material. Director stated that the Quality Rated Consultant had suggested that this be used for a cleanable covering. The particular vinyl used had textured areas that were not completely non-porous. Please be sure that any diaper-changing surface does not have any areas that could trap germs and debris and is completely cleanable.

Correction Deadline: 3/17/2017

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

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

Discussed-Documentation/Procedures. Director stated that medications are not administered at the center.

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)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(7)(c) requires the center to use passenger transportation checklists, in a format approved by the Department, to account for each child during transportation. A separate passenger checklist must be used for each vehicle. It was determined during visit that all 17 children transported to and from Sunset Elementary School were listed on one checklist for a 13-passenger vehicle. Staff explained that that the children were divided and placed on a separate vehicle, but all children were listed and accounted for on one form only. Center staff will ensure that a separate checklist is used for each vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 2/16/2017

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position. The book, Sleep Baby Safe and Snug, was given to staff. No infants were present during visit, but six cribs with tight-fitting sheets were observed in the infant room.

Staff Records

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

Criminal Records Check complete

Comment

Director stated that two employees had been hired since last visit and those employee records were reviewed for criminal background checks.

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