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**CCLC-3427**

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<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.
03/23/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
09/20/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/19/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

  

<b>Good Standing</b>	- Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
<b>Support</b>	- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.
<b>Deficient</b>	- 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 102	Six Year Olds and Over	2	6	C	14	C	20	C	Snack
Main	Room 103	Two Year Olds	3	15	C	24	C	NA	NA	Snack, Transitioning
Main	Room 104	PreK	2	15	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room 105	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	3	11	C	23	C	33	C	Transitioning
Main	Room 106	Four Year Olds	3	15	C	20	C	28	C	Circle Time
Main	Room 107	Four Year Olds	2	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room 108		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room 109	Three Year Olds	2	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	Room 110	Two Year Olds	3	10	C	12	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 155					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 179					
Total # Children this Date: 86			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 155			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 179				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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**Comments**

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a licensing study visit and to follow-up to previous visit conducted on September 20, 2016.

Consultant provided information for the Health and Safety Orientation Training and new comprehensive background check on this date.

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).



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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](mailto: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)

Stephanie Wachtel, Program Official

Date

Shannon Curtis, 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-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)**

Met

**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-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**

Met

**Comment**

Observation-Center Clean/Well Maintained

**Comment**

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

Met

**Comment**

Observation-Clean/Good Repair

#### Food Service

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

**Comment**

Menu Meets USDA Guidelines

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

**Comment**

Kitchen Appears Clean/Well Organized

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**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Diapering requirements discussed

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

**Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

**Comment**

Observed-Complete Documentation

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**Policies and Procedures**

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

**Comment**

Consultant observed evidence of monthly fire drills conducted on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 3/28/2017**

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**591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices** **Met**

**Comment**

Observed-All Notices Posted and 2017 License on this date.

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**Safety**

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

**Comment**

No Animals Kept

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

**Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

**Comment**

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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

**Comment**

No Field Trips at This Time

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**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)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Correct number of mats; disinfecting discussed

**Staff Records**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete for all staff on this date.

**Comment**

No new hires since last visit on September 20, 2016.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-100% Certified First Aid & CPR

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Observed - Documentation Of Training for 2016 on this date.

**Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the Director the requirements for the new Health and Safety Orientation Training on this date.

**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-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff