



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/24/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 12:00 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.
03/24/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/13/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/21/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

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.

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- Upstairs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	3	26	C	12	NC	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning, Outside, Centers
Main	C: Downstairs	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	5	26	C	15	NC	NA	NA	Transitioning, Breakfast
Main	Multi-Purpose		0	0	C	31	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 55					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building capacity limited by Playground Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 52			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 55			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/24/2017

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).

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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)

Sharon Suitt, Program Official

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-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2016

Corrected on 3/24/2017

.03(2) - Previous cite corrected

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

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(7) requires that climbing and swinging equipment be anchored and have a resilient surface beneath the equipment. The fall-zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation that approximately one to two inches of resilient surface material was observed underneath the green slides and the multicolor climber located on the preschool playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that climbing and swinging equipment is anchored. The Center will develop and/or follow a plan for routine inspections of the resilient surface and for replacing when needed.

Correction Deadline: 4/3/2017

Finding

591-1-1-.26(8) requires the playground to be kept clean, free of litter and hazards. It was determined based on observation that large wood chunks were observed on the infant /toddler playground. An accumulation of gum balls and nuts were observed on the ground in the preschool playground, and a cover for one of the post at the gate to the preschool playground was missing posing a nesting hazard. Additionally, active ant beds were observed on the path leading to the preschool playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the playground, the center will remove the hazards.

Correction Deadline: 3/24/2017

Health and Hygiene

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

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2016

Corrected on 3/24/2017

.10(3)(a) - Previous cite corrected.

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

Comment

Observed-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

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

Comment

Medication was not dispensed

Safety

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

Comment

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) **N/A**

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) **Met**

Comment

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

Comment

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

Staff Records

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

Criminal Records Check complete

Comment

Two new staff hired since last visit

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

Please ensure a100% of direct care staff is Certified First Aid & CPR by June 30, 2017

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

591-1-1-.33(2)-This rule will be evaluated on the next regulatory licensing visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Staff will complete training.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2016**Comment**

Health/Safety training reminder- due by June 30, 2017

Defer

591-1-1-.33(3)-This rule will be evaluated on the next regulatory licensing visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will have staff secure training.

Correction Deadline: 10/13/2016

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios. Discussed that the entire downstairs was licensed as one space, therefore when a child turns three they must transition upstairs. Please be aware of staff transitions in and out of the classroom; ensure adequate staff is with the group prior to leaving a classroom.

Finding

591-1-1-.32(4) requires that children under three years old be housed in separate physical areas from older children except during early morning arrival and late afternoon departure times. It was determined based on observation that children under three years old were combined with older children at a time other than arrival/departure.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will maintain separation of these children under three years old. It was discussed that the children were transitioning.

Correction Deadline: 3/24/2017

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

Observed-Adequate Supervision