

## Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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CCLC-25115

#### Childcare Network #175

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**Compliance Zone Designation** 03/30/2017 Licensing Study Good Standing 10/12/2016 Monitoring Visit Good Standing 01/27/2016 Licensing Study Good Standing

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

Deficient

Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

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	Back Left	PreK	2	14	С	22	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Back Right	Three Year Olds	2	16	С	21	С	NA	NA	Story
Main	Front Left	PreK	2	14	С	28	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Sto ry
Main	Front Middle		0	0	С	22	С	NA	NA	
Main	Front Right		0	0	С	14	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 10	07		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 44		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 10	07		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Back Right	78	С
Main	Front Right	28	С
Main	Left	34	С

#### Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/30/2017

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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)

Lynne Tyson-Price, Program Official	Date	Laura Swann, Consultant	Date



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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)

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

**Children's Records** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

**Technical Assistance** 

591-1-1-.08(a)-(f) - Consultant discussed with the director the need to review enrollment forms to ensure they are completely filled out.

Correction Deadline: 3/30/2017

591-1-1-.23 Parental Authorization

Met

Comment

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

Facility

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

**Not Met** 

Comment

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible Correction Deadline: 11/11/2016

Corrected on 3/30/2017

.25(11) - Correction observed on this date.

### **Finding**

591-1-1-25(3) requires that the center and surrounding premises be clean, free of debris and in good repair. It was determined based on observation that the following items needed repair:

Front right-the bottom of the cabinet below the hand washing sink was coming apart with pieces broken off. Front middle-the baseboard beside the restroom was coming apart with parts broken off. Further, the handwashing sink cabinet doors were coming apart along with the base of the cabinet..

Front left- the green storage cabinet and the handwashing sink were coming apart at the bottom and sides.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the environment, the center will repair or replace the handwashing sink cabinets, green storage cabinet and the baseboard.

Correction Deadline: 4/6/2017

Recited on 3/30/2017

## 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 observation that the following hazards were present:

Back Right playground- wooden fence had boards that were broken with sharp edges with exposed nail heads. Front right playground- the front gate on the metal fence had a 4 1/2" gap along the bottom posing an 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. The center will repair the broken boards on the wooden fence and nail the nails flush into the wood. The center will also repair the gate to ensure the gap at bottom measures under 3 1/2".

Correction Deadline: 3/30/2017

Correction Deadline: 10/22/2016

### **Corrected on 3/30/2017**

.26(7) - Correction observed on this date.

#### 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 the following hazards were in the outdoor play area:

Left playground- a sand/water table had 3" to 3 1/2" of water posing a drowning hazard.

Back right playground- had a hole beside the metal fence around the drain measuring 10"D x 29"L x 15"W.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the playground, the center will empty the sand table with water and store upside down. The hole will be filled with sand.

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Correction Deadline: 3/30/2017

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

**Not Evaluated** 

#### Comment

No diapered children enrolled

## 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

#### Comment

**Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout** 

## 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Not Met

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.20(4) requires the Center to keep medication in a locked cabinet or container that is not accessible to children and stored separate from cleaning chemicals, supplies or poisons. Medication requiring refrigeration shall be placed in a leak-proof container in a refrigerator that is not accessible to the children. It was determined based on observation that the following medicine was found in a child's book bag accessible to children in the back middle threes classroom:

"Resinol" medicated ointment, "Mupirocin" ointment, "Gentamicin Sulfate" and "Hydrocortisone" cream

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on the safe and proper storage of medication and monitor to ensure that the rule is met.

Correction Deadline: 3/30/2017

## **Policies and Procedures**

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.27 - Reminder please ensure all posted notices are current and in view of the parents.

Safety

### 591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

#### Comment

Animals Clean/Appropriately Caged

## 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

## 591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

#### Comment

No Field Trips at This Time

#### 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Commen

591-1-1-.36(3)(a-c) - Observed two staff to have the required transportation training.

Correction Deadline: 4/9/2017

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(6) - Please review the transportation agreements to ensure they are filled out completely.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2017

# Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

## Comment

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment. Please cover the cots in the classroom with a sheet to ensure they are protected from germs.

**Staff Records** 

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

Met

Comment

2 staff hired since last visit

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

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

Met

Comment

Observed-50% Certified First Aid & CPR

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2016

Corrected on 3/30/2017

.33(4) - Correction observed on this date. Staff had training for 2016.

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