

## 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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Date: 5/15/2018 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 2:10 PM Departure: 4:40 PM

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**Compliance Zone Designation** 

Licensing Study

Monitoring Visit

Licensing Study

Quality Rated: No

05/15/2018

12/06/2017

03/21/2017

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.

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Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting

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	A	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	NC	11	NC	- NA	NA	Nap,Transitionin g
Main	В		0	0	С	4	С	NA	NA	
Main	С		0	0	С	4	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 12	2		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building capacity limited by Insufficient Toilets/Sinks		
Total # Children this Date: 13		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 12	<u>)</u>		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	66	C

### **Comments**

This is the second regulatory visit of the 2017-2018 fiscal year.

The center does not provide transportation, field trips, swimming activities, or administer any medications.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/15/2018

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: <u>All</u> employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1**, **2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <a href="www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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)





## **Important New Deadlines:**

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a> Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:gualityrated@decal.ga.gov">gualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

Francine Norman-Jackson, Program Official	Date	Jerica Davis, 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-.03 Activities Not Met

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.03(2) requires the Center to keep current lesson plans on site that reflect appropriate instruction practices and activities to support children's development The Center shall have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the above program of activities in all developmental areas. It was determined on this date through the consultant's observation that a current lesson plan was not available as required.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will keep current lesson plans on site that include appropriate instruction practices and activities and will have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the activities.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2018

Recited on 5/15/2018

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

### Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

Met

### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

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

**Not Met** 

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that thirteen children were observed in a space licensed for eleven.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2018

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

Met

### Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children. Please ensure to keep brooms, dust pans, and mops inaccessible to the children.

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

Met

#### Comment

The center is currently installing a new building on part of the playground. The playground will not be accessible for one week. Several hazards were observed due to workers present including a hand saw, rake, and large plant clippers. Staff stated that all hazards will be removed before the playground is used next week.

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

## Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

### Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures. Staff stated that no medications are currently being dispensed.

Safety

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

Met

### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Met

## Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

# Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

**Not Met** 

### **Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on consultant's observation that two cribs were observed not to have a tight fitting sheet as required.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2018

Recited on 5/15/2018

## **Staff Records**

### **Records Reviewed: 5**

## **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 3 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/18/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.09-Criminal Records Check Missing,.24(1)-No Record,.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate, .14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.09-Criminal Records Check Missing,.24(1)-No Record,.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 4 Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/24/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate, .24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

### **Records Reviewed: 5**

### **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 5 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate, .33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate, .33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

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

**Not Met** 

### **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires the Center to ensure that every Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of the Child Care Learning Center has a satisfactory records check determination before the individual is present at the Center or before the individual resides in a Center. It was determined based on a review of records that one staff did not have a satisfactory records check determination on file as required. A one day letter was left at the center.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain the Required Satisfactory Records Check Determination before an individual is present at the Center while any child is present for care or before residing in a Center.

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2018

Met

### Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

### 591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records

**Not Met** 

### Finding

591-1-1-.24(1) requires the center to maintain a personnel file on the Director, all Employees, Provisional Employees, Personnel, Staff, Students-in-Training, Volunteers, Clerical, Housekeeping, Maintenance, and other Support Staff for the duration of the term of employment plus one calendar year, and it shall contain the following: identifying information to include: name, date of birth, social security number, current address and current telephone number; employment history; as applicable to the position held: evidence of education and qualifying work experience; evidence of all training required by these rules which shall include: title of training, date of training, trainer's signature, location of training and number of clock hours obtained; a statement completed by the staff member that the information provided is true and accurate; any other records required by these rules; and as applicable to the position held, evidence of required orientation including date and signature of person providing the orientation; It was determined based on a review of records that one staff member did not have a record on file.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will secure required information for all Personnel. The Center will ensure that complete information is in the personnel file for all Directors, Employees, Provisional Employees, Personnel, Staff, Students-in-Training, Volunteers, Clerical, Housekeeping, Maintenance and other Support Staff.

Correction Deadline: 5/20/2018

### 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

### Finding

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety training at the time of employment that will count toward required annual training: Staff employed prior to September 30, 2016 will complete the training by December 29, 2016 and Staff employed after September 30, 2016 will complete the health and safety training within the first 90 days of employment. It was determined based on a review or records that three staff did not have the health and safety orientation training within ninety days of employment as required.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates.

Correction Deadline: 6/14/2018

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2017

## Corrected on 5/15/2018

.33(5) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

### **Finding**

591-1-1-.33(7) requires that evidence of orientation and training be documented in the Personnel file of each Staff member and be available to the Department for inspection. It was determined based on a review of records that three staff members did not have evidence of orientation on file as required.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement procedures to review staff records for documentation of training and orientation, to obtain and place missing documentation in staff records, and to file such documents in staff records on an ongoing basis.

Correction Deadline: 5/25/2018

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met

### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

# **Staffing and Supervision**

# 591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

## Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

# 591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Met

## Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.