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**Date:** 5/24/2017    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 9:45 AM    **Departure:** 2:30 PM

**CCLC-31000**

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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.  <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.
05/24/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/15/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/10/2016	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
Main	A- Room 1	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	5	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B - Room 2		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C - Room 3		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	D - Room 4	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	6	C	13	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	E - Room 5		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F - Room 6	PreK	1	9	C	14	C	NA	NA	Snack
Main	G - Room 7		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 98					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 20			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 98			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Play	76	C

**Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/24/2017

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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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](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.ga.gov).

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
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- 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.

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)

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Risa Walter, Program Official

Date

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Mechelle Bethea, 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-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

#### Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.03(1) - Discussed lesson plan requirements with director.

**Correction Deadline: 5/24/2017**

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

Met

#### Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Facility

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

Not Met

#### Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be inaccessible to children. It was determined based on consultant's observation unsafe storage of materials dangerous to children was observed as follows:

-Room 1: Teacher's purse on the floor accessible to children

-Room 6- One bottle of lotion and a tube of petroleum jelly on a low shelf accessible to children

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the safe storage of hazardous items, the center will remove all hazardous items from classrooms.

**Correction Deadline: 5/24/2017**

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed-Fluff/Redistribute Surface

### 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**

Director stated medications are not administered at this time.

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**Safety**

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

**Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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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

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Comment**

Correct number of mats; disinfecting discussed

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**Staff Records**

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

**Correction Deadline: 11/15/2016**

**Corrected on 5/24/2017**

**.09(1)(g) - This citation was observed to be corrected. Consultant reviewed satisfactory determinations for all employees on this date.**

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training** **Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.33(5) requires ten clock hours of annual training for supervisory and caregiver Staff, except for independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers, in the subjects of early childhood education, child development or subjects related to the position. It was determined based on consultant's review of records that one employee completed six of ten required training hours for 2016.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of ongoing training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

**Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision