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Date: 5/31/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 11:30 AM

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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. 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.
05/31/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/09/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
05/16/2016	POI Follow Up	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/Front	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	31	NC	28	NC	39	C	Centers, Floor Play
Main	B/1R	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	16	C	17	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Floor Play, Centers
Main	C Back R		0	0	C	5	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 50			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 61							
Total # Children this Date: 47			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 61							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG/A/Right	79	C
Main	PG/B/Left	34	C

Comments

To conduct a Monitoring Visit and to follow-up on previous citations.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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- 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://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)

Tenina Lemon, Program Official

Date

Tamra Thomas, Consultant

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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2016

Corrected on 5/31/2017

The center has mounted the television on the wall in B/1R classroom.

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

Correction Deadline: 12/19/2016

Corrected on 5/31/2017

The center has the current immunizations on file for two of two children previous cited, and one student is no longer in the program.

Facility

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires the Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child. It was determined based on an observation that the Center cared for thirty-one children in a space licensed for twenty-eight children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2017

Recited on 5/31/2017

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2016

Corrected on 5/31/2017

The provider painted the wall since the last visit.

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 the A/Right Playground fence has exposed sharp prongs at the bottom, and it has pulled away from the middle post.

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. The provider will add dirt at the bottom to cover the exposed prongs, and tie the fence back to the post.

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2017

Correction Deadline: 12/19/2016

Corrected on 5/31/2017

The provider removed the equipment that was previously cited.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2016

Corrected on 5/31/2017

The provider replaced the PVC piping with Wood Tire Tracks on the A/Right playground.

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 there was chipping paint on the back wall of the main building.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the playground, the center will paint the wall.

Correction Deadline: 6/5/2017

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Proper Diapering

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

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

Met

Comment

The center is not providing Medication on this date.

Safety

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

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

No Field Trips at This Time

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	Met
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Comment

The center is not providing transportation at this time.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Ensure Cribs/Cots Labeled. The center is not providing Infant Care on this date.

Staff Records

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

Criminal Records Check complete

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training	Met
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Correction Deadline: 1/8/2017

Corrected on 5/31/2017

The center director has received the required four clock hours of food and nutrition training.

Correction Deadline: 1/8/2017

Corrected on 5/31/2017

The staff has received ten hours of training for 2016.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 12/9/2016

Corrected on 5/31/2017

The center has three Lead Teachers on staff with the required credential on this date.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2016

Corrected on 5/31/2017

The center has credential on file for all Lead Teachers on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

Comment

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff