

# 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: 7/12/2018 VisitType: Complaint Investigation & Arrival: 10:30 AM Departure: 1:00 PM

Monitoring Visit

CCLC-17960 Smarter Kids Child Care Learning Center

945 Windy Hill Rd. Smyrna, GA 30080 Cobb County (770) 419-4929 smarterkids@bellsouth.net

Mailing Address 2764 Cumberland Blvd SE Smyrna, GA 30080

Quality Rated: No

# **Regional Consultant**

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			<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					
07/12/2018	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	standing, support, and deficient.  Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting					
06/12/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	Support -	the rules.  Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting				
06/12/2018	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	Deficient -	rules. Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meetin 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-1R	Infants and One Year Olds	2	10	С	12	С	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding
Main	B-2R	Two Year Olds	2	15	С	40	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	C-3R		0	0	С	37	С	52	С	
Main	D-4R	One Year Olds	1	6	С	20	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	E -Lower right		0	0	С	21	С	NA	NA	
Main	F-Lower Middle	Three Year Olds	1	13	NC	48	С	NA	NA	Outside
Main	G-Lower Left		0	0	С	31	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2	209		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.	•		

Total # Children this Date: 44 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 209 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 224

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	66	

### **Comments**

Staff provided four files employees not present in system or hired since last visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/12/2018

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>

Carolyn Jones, Program Official	Date	Alison Benson, Consultant	Date



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# The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# **Activities and Equipment**

### 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)

N/A

### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

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

Met

### Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Not Met

### **Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation, one can of spray disinfectant was present on the sink counter, accessible to children.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2018

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

Met

### Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

# **Health and Hygiene**

### 591-1-1.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

### **Technical Assistance**

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the staff on this date.

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

Met

### Comment

Proper hand washing observed.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Per staff, no medication is being dispensed at this time.

Safety

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

Technical Assistance

### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed reminding a staff person to be mindful of voice tone in redirecting children with the office staff.

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

N/A

### Comment

The summer camp children were on a field trip at the time of visit, consultant will review field trip documentation at the next regulatory visit.

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

N/A

### Comment

The center does not provide routine transportation during the summer months.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

### Comment

Staff stated SIDS and infant sleeping position.

**Staff Records** 

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

Met

### Comment

Staff provided four files employees not present in system or hired since last visit.

## 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

Correction Deadline: 5/24/2018

**Corrected on 7/12/2018** 

.32(2) - Proper ratios were observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2018

**Corrected on 7/12/2018** 

.32(5) - Proper ratios were observed on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/24/2018

**Corrected on 7/12/2018** 

.32(7) - Proper supervision was observed on this date.