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Date: 7/26/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:25 AM **Departure:** 12:10 PM

CCLC-39184

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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.
07/26/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/03/2017	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
03/01/2017	Complaint Investigation & 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	front L-shaped room	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	11	C	12	C	NA	NA	Art,Outside,Centers,Circle Time
Main	Infant	Infants and Two Year Olds	1	4	C	4	C	NA	NA	Music,Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 16					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 15					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/26/2017

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@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.

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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)

Nanette Rivers, Program Official

Date

Stacey Foston, 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

Technical Assistance

Comment

591-1-1-.03(5) - Children were observed to be engaged in a variety of age appropriate activities.

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2017

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.03(5) - Please ensure lesson plans are dated.

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2017

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 4

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(a)-(f)-Allergies and Disabilities

Finding

591-1-1-.08(1) requires the Center Staff to maintain a file for each child while such child is in care and for one year after that child is no longer enrolled. In order for the file to be complete, the file shall contain the following: child's name, birth date, sex, address, living arrangement, name of school if applicable; names of both Parents, home and work addresses, and home and work telephone numbers; name(s) and addresses of the person(s) to whom the child may be released including address, telephone numbers, relationship to child and to Parent(s), and other identifying information; name(s) and telephone number(s) of person(s) to contact in emergencies when the Parent cannot be reached; name and telephone number of the child's primary source of health care; and a statement regarding known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, mental retardation or developmental disabilities which limit the child's participation in the program. It was determined based on review of records that one out five records did not have documentation of the child's known allergy.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will develop a plan that includes how to obtain all required information for currently enrolled children and how to ensure this is done for future enrollees as well. The plan will also include how and where to maintain files for the required amount of time. The plan will be implemented and followed.

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2017

		Facility
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591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**Met****Comment**

Observation-Clean and Well Maintained

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Met****Comment**

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(19) prohibits the use of unapproved areas for children's activity. It was determined based on observation that the children were playing ball on a concrete pad in front of the day care that was not licensed for use.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will discontinue use of this area. The staff moved the children during the visit.

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2017

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that several large tree branches were on the ground. Weeds and vines were observed growing in the mulch. In addition a citronella candle stake was broken and accessible to the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards. The provider will remove the candle stake out of the children play area. The branches were removed during the visit.

Correction Deadline: 7/31/2017

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15 - Discussed with the director about ensuring a current copy of the menu is posted by the door.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen Appears Clean/Well Organized

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

Met

Comment

The director states that the center does not dispense medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.21(1)(p) - Discussed new emergency preparedness plans requirement with the director and explained where to find resources on the Bright from the Start web site.

Correction Deadline: 7/31/2017

Safety

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)

Met

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 3/1/2017****Corrected on 7/26/2017****.30(2)(a) - The center was observed to be in compliance with safe sleep rules on this date.****Correction Deadline: 3/3/2017****Corrected on 7/26/2017****.30(2)(a) - The center was observed to be in compliance with safe sleep rules on this date.****Correction Deadline: 3/2/2017****Corrected on 7/26/2017****.30(2)(b) - The center was observed to be in compliance with safe sleep rules on this date.**

Staff Records

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 review of records that one employee re hired on July 18, 2017 did not have evidence of a current satisfactory record check on file.

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. The consultant left a one day letter.

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2017

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

Observed-100% Certified First Aid & CPR

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Met****Comment**

Observed - Documentation Of Training

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

The staff was observed to be compliance with all applicable laws during the visit.

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****Correction Deadline: 3/3/2017****Corrected on 7/26/2017****.32(7) - Children were observed to be supervised at all times during the visit.**

