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Date: 8/1/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 2:15 PM

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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. |
|------------------------------------|---|---------------|--|
| 08/01/2017 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 02/06/2017 | Complaint Closure | Good Standing | |
| 02/01/2017 | Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study | 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 1L | Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds | 2 | 25 | C | 26 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | B 2R | One Year Olds and Two Year Olds | 4 | 19 | C | 20 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | C 1L Upstairs | | 0 | 0 | C | 26 | C | NA | NA | |
| Main | D 1R Upstairs | Five Year Olds | 2 | 22 | C | 24 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | E Middle Upstairs | Six Year Olds and Over | 1 | 14 | C | 27 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | F Back Upstairs | Five Year Olds | 2 | 13 | C | 27 | C | NA | NA | Circle Time |
| Main | G 1R | | 0 | 0 | C | 13 | C | NA | NA | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 163 | | | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 93 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 163 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0 | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main | Outside | 9 | C |
| Main | Outside | 35 | C |

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/01/2017

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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O.C.G.A. Section 42.1.12(j)(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@dec.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: <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)

Rasheedah Carter, Program Official

Date

Tiffany Whigham, 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-.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

Facility

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

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) **Not Met**

Comment

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible.
Classroom 2L : Broom/Dustpan needs to be inaccessible
Classroom 1L : Large container of soap labeled "keep out of reach" of children needs to be inaccessible

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based upon consultant observation, that the following areas were non compliant and accessible to children:

Boys bathroom in the upper classroom 1L stalls had rust and chipped paint
Boys bathroom in upper classroom 1R sink had a leak and there was a clear plastic container of dirty, standing water inside

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 8/8/2017

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

Not Met

Comment

Discussed-Fluff/Redistribute Surface

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(17) - requires that the Center premises be free of plants and shrubs which are poisonous or hazardous. It was determined based on consultant observation that there were several thorny plants growing on the toddler and preschool playground. Center will monitor playground for thorny plants and remove as needed.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2017

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 consultant observation, that the chains on both the swing sets on the preschool playground had chipping paint. In addition, there was a black drain pipe exposed causing a potential tripping hazard on the toddler playground.

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.

Correction Deadline: 8/4/2017

Food Service

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15(1) The director will ensure that meals and snacks are served, with serving sizes dependent upon the age of the child, that meet nutritional guidelines as established by the United States Department of Agriculture Child and Adult Care Food Program.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2017

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

Observed-Complete Documentation

Safety

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

Comment

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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

Comment

Observed-Complete Documentation

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

Comment

Paperwork discussed

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Ensure Cribs/Cots Labeled

Cots and mats should be used by the same child daily and marked for individual use. Reminder to ensure that cots and sheets are marked and used for individual use.

Staff Records

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

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Defer**

Defer

Consultant will check annual staff training for 2017 during the next licensing study.

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.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2017

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

Comment

Lead staff education requirements met on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff

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

Comment

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff