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Date: 8/8/2017 **VisitType:** MV POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:55 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.
08/08/2017	MV POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
07/14/2017	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
06/27/2017	Complaint Investigation 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- Prek/School Age	PreK	1	22	NC	33	C	NA	NA	Story,Circle Time
Main	B - 3yrs	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	5	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Floor Play
Main	C- 2yrs	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	24	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D- Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	2	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 80

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 44

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A- Toddlers	31	C
Main	Playground B- Infants	17	C
Main	Playground C- 4 & Up	153	C

Comments

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

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.

- 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

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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)

Sonseeharay Roberson, Program Official

Date

Patty Malone, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a MV POI Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

No hazardous equipment was observed.

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

Met

Comment

The owner stated that the center has not used the pool. The pool was observed to be covered and the gates were locked.

Evening Care

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

Met

Comment

The center has adequate staff for evening hours.

Facility

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-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Technical Assistance

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591-1-1-.26 - The consultant discussed the heating and air unit gate on playground B and the toddler trampoline on playground A.

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-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Complete Documentation

Safety

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/14/2017

Corrected on 8/8/2017

.11(1) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Redirection was observed in all classrooms.

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Complete Documentation

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2)(c) requires that infants shall not sleep in equipment other than safety-approved cribs, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the Center asleep or fall asleep in such equipment, on the floor or elsewhere, shall be transferred to a safety-approved crib. It was determined based on observation that two infants were sleeping in infant rockers/ bouncer seats.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will only place infants in safe cribs to sleep and will transfer them to a safe crib when the infants are asleep in other equipment.

Correction Deadline: 8/8/2017

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

The consultant reviewed 12 staff files. Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on a review of records that the center had two staff with expired CPR/ First Aid training.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 9/7/2017

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

591-1-1-.33(3) - The consultant observed health and safety training documentation for all staff required to have the training.

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

Staff met requirements on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.32(1) requires the Center to maintain the required Staff:child ratios as follows: under 1 year or under 18 months if not walking = 1:6; 1 year and walking = 1:8; 2 years = 1:10; 3 years = 1:15; 4 years = 1:18; 5 years = 1:20; and 6 years and older = 1:25. A Center must establish groupings of children for care with maximum group sizes as follows: under 1 year = 12; under 18 months/not walking = 12; 1 year and walking = 16; 2 years = 20; 3 years = 30; 4 years = 36; 5 years = 40; and 6 years and older = 50. It was determined based on observation that classroom A had one staff member supervising 22 Pre-K children when two staff members were required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hire additional Staff or reschedule current Staff to meet required Staff:child ratios and will organize children into groups that meet requirements.

Correction Deadline: 8/8/2017

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 7/14/2017****Corrected on 8/8/2017**

.32(7) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Proper supervision was observed.