

# 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: 9/11/2019 VisitType: Complaint Investigation Arrival: 10:00 AM Departure: 2:10 PM

Follow Up

**CCLC-3340** 

# Cartersville Child Care, Inc

325 Old Mill Road Cartersville, GA 30120 Bartow County (770) 387-0649 cnunn@cartersvillechildcare.org

Year Olds

Mailing Address 325 Old Mill Rd Cartersville, GA 30120

Quality Rated: 🛖

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Compliance Zone Designation						
09/11/2019	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing				
06/19/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing				
12/11/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing				

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

Deficient

- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

rules.

 Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting 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
В	small, middle building		0	0	C	25	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25	5		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
C-Family Life Center	404-classroom		0	0	С	19	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
C-Family Life Center	Cafe-1st left		0	0	С	34	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
C-Family Life Center	Gym		0	0	С	177	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
C-Family Life Center	Library		0	0	С	56	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 99	@35 sq. ft.: 99 Total Capacity @25 sq. Building capa ft.: 0 Building capa			ity limited by Fire titions				
Main	101-1st Right	One Year Olds	3	13	С	20	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Dia pering
Main	102-1st Left	Infants	3	7	С	17	С	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding
Main	103-2nd Right	Two Year Olds	4	16	С	21	С	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	104-2nd Left		0	0	С	19	С	NA	NA	Not In Use,Field Trip
Main	105-3rd Left	Two Year Olds	2	9	С	16	С	NA	NA	Story
Main	111-4th Left	Three Year Olds and Four	1	9	С	16	С	NA	NA	Free Play

	Olithar this Data 00	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 160		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building capacity limited by Building Department			
Main	115-7th Left	Infants and One Year Olds	3	9	С	13	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	114-5th Left	Three Year Olds	1	11	С	11	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	113-6th Left		0	0	С	13	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	112-3rd Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	8	С	19	С	NA	NA	Outside

Total # Children this Date: 82 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 284 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

		Playground	Playground
Building	Playground	Occupancy	Compliance

#### Comments

Consultant left 1-day letter on this date.

Consultant left criminal records check affidavit on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/11/2019

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).



Please refer to the website, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

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).

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:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>								
Cynthia Nunn, Program Official	Date	Rachael Brown, Consultant	Date					



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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

**Facility** 

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/19/2019

Corrected on 9/11/2019

.25(19) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed children only in licensed areas.

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

Defer

# Defer

591-1-1-.26(4)- Citation deferred on this date. Center stated having a company evaluate the fence and are waiting for a proposal to get it fixed.

#### 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 and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 6/19/2019

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

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591-1-1-.20(1) - Ensure infant teething tablets are not dispensed without a parental authorization form.

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2019

Staff Records

Staff # 26 Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/06/2014

"Missing/Incomplete Components"
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing

#### 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

**Not Met** 

Correction Deadline: 6/19/2019

#### Corrected on 9/11/2019

.09(1)(a) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed all new employees to have an application on file.

### **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on observation and review of records, that one employee was present with an expired criminal records check. Application was made to the department and authorized fingerprinting site on this date.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMÈDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will view videos to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The center will view videos to ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2019

# Recited on 9/11/2019

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(I)3. requires the Center to immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for a Director, Employee or Provisional Employee at least once every five years. It was determined based on observation and review of records that one employee was present with an expired criminal records check. Center made application on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will view videos to ensure that each Director, Employee and Provisional Employee has a Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file that has been issued within the past five years. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will view videos to ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 9/11/2019