



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/17/2018 **VisitType:** MV POI Follow Up

Arrival: 3:35 PM

Departure: 5:50 PM

CCLC-47116

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Quality Rated: No

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.
09/17/2018	MV POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
06/29/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
05/30/2018	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 - 1L/ 6wks -18 months	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	6	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B- 2L/ 1's & 2's	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	9	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C- 3L/4's	Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	C	6	NC	8	C	Homework
Main	D -1R/3's	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	8	C	9	C	NA	NA	Homework,Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 33					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 35					

Total # Children this Date: 30

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 33

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 35

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	All ages	110	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a monitoring visit along with a plan of improvement follow-up.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. 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@dec.al.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.al.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)



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: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.ga.gov/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov

Tokela Huston, Program Official

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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

Correction Deadline: 5/30/2018

Corrected on 9/17/2018

.12(2) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/30/2018

Corrected on 9/17/2018

.19(1) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. It was determined based on consultant's observation that the flooring in Classroom C's bathroom presented a tripping hazard in that it was not tight and smooth as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Floors will be maintained to be safe and sanitary.

Correction Deadline: 10/17/2018

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 consultant's observation that the center's playground had several active ant beds that were 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.

Correction Deadline: 9/17/2018

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Correction Deadline: 5/30/2018****Corrected on 9/17/2018****.15(5) - Citation observed corrected on this date.**

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting**Met****Correction Deadline: 7/16/2018****Corrected on 9/17/2018****.29(3) - Citation observed corrected on this date.**

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 5/31/2018****Corrected on 9/17/2018****.36(4)(b) - Citation observed corrected on this date.**

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2018

Corrected on 9/17/2018

.36(6) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2018

Corrected on 9/17/2018

.36(7)(a) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2018

Corrected on 9/17/2018

.36(7)(c)2. - Citation observed corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2018

Corrected on 9/17/2018

.36(9) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.