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Date: 12/3/2018 Arrival: 8:45 AM Departure: 12:00 PM VisitType: Licensing Study

CCLC-38193

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Com	pliance Zone Desig		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.					
12/03/2018	Licensing Study							
02/23/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.					
02/21/2018	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.  Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting					

#### 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 Building	A - 1.208		0	0	С	21	С	NA	NA	-
Main Building	B - 1.207		0	0	С	19	С	NA	NA	
Main Building	E - 1.226		0	0	С	17	С	NA	NA	
Main Building	F - 1.222		0	0	С	15	С	NA	NA	
Main Building	G - 1.220		0	0	С	14	С	NA	NA	
Main Building	H- 1.216		0	0	С	19	С	NA	NA	
Main Building	I - Piazza		0	0	С	24	С	NA	NA	
Main Building	J - 2.109	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	11	С	29	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main Building	K - 2.113	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	17	С	27	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main Building	L - 2.115	PreK	2	18	С	27	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main Building	M- 2.119	PreK	3	16	С	29	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main Building	N- Piazza		0	0	С	24	С	NA	NA	
Main Building	O- 2.129	PreK	2	20	С	27	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main Building	P - 2.133	PreK	2	19	С	27	С	NA	NA	Centers

the rules.

Main Building	Q- 2.135	PreK	2	23	С	27	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main Building	R- 2.139	PreK	3	15	С	33	С	NA	NA	Centers
	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 379				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 139		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 379			Total Capacity @25 sq.					

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Building	A- Infants	13	С
Main Building	B- Pre-k	105	С
Main Building	C- Toddler	51	С

#### Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Licensing Study and follow up on previous rule violations.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/03/2018

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).

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Get started today! Sign up by completing Request free technical assistance to help 7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov		ication: https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/ rating by contacting the Quality Rated help de	sk at 855-800-
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### **Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

# **Activities and Equipment**

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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

N/A

Met

Comment

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Facility** 

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

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

## **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(4) - Consultant discussed with provider to monitor and repair or replace the wooden slats on the back preschool playground where the wood is beginning to chip on the back gate and the garden fencing where one slat is missing to prevent hazards from becoming accessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 12/3/2018

**Health and Hygiene** 

# Met 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) Comment Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures. 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) Met Comment Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands. 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) Met Comment Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete. Safety 591-1-1-.05 Animals Met Comment Animals maintained clean and appropriately caged. 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR) Met Comment Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date. 591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) Met Comment Center does not participate in field trips at this time. 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) Met Comment Center does not provide routine transportation.

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

Met

#### Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

#### Comment

There are no infants enrolled in the program.

**Staff Records** 

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment** 

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

Met

# Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

#### Comment

Director provided five file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

# 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

Correction Deadline: 3/21/2018

### **Corrected on 12/3/2018**

.33(3) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed of all staff hired more than 90 days ago to have evidence of completing the required health and safety training.

#### Finding

591-1-1-.33(6) requires, in the first year of employment and then by calendar year thereafter, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers to attend ten (10) clock hours of training which is task-focused in early childhood education or child development or subjects relating to job assignment and is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. It was determined based on a review of records that five staff members had not completed the required 10 hours of annual training for 2017. The five staff members had evidence of completing six hours of training when 10 hours was required.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 1/2/2019

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

#### Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

# **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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.