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Date: 12/8/2015 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 3:00 PM

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Compliance
Projected FY 2016 Compliance: Compliant
End of FY 2015 Compliance: Compliant
End of FY 2014 Compliance: Compliant

Legend
FY 2016 - July 1st, 2015 - June 30th, 2016
FY 2015 - July 1st, 2014 - June 30th, 2015
FY 2014 - July 1st, 2013 - June 30th, 2014

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	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Outside
Main	B-2L	One Year Olds	1	7	C	13	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C-3L	Infants	1	3	C	8	C	NA	NA	Nap,Diapering
Main	D-1R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	9	C	19	C	27	C	Outside,Nap,Transitioning
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 55				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 63				
Total # Children this Date: 27		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 55				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 63				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A	6	C
Main	PG B	17	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/08/2015

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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/registered 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: http://decal.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 or registered 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)

I have read and understand the Rules and Regulations for Child Care Learning Centers, 591-1-1. I acknowledge that the items noted in this report have been discussed with me and I have agreed to a Plan of Improvement (POI) as indicated in this report. I understand that correction of these deficiencies, while required, will not necessarily prevent DECAL from taking adverse action against this facility.

Bianca Taylor, Program Official Date

Alva Huff, Consultant Date

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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-.03 Activities **Met**

Correction Deadline: 7/29/2015

Corrected on 12/8/2015
Previous citation corrected in that director stated only G-rated movies will be shown to children during media time.

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

Comment
No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 8 **Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Child # 3 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(g)-Immunization

Child # 4 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(g)-Immunization

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.08(g) requires center staff to maintain a file for each child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations for each child enrolled in the center on a form approved by the Department, and to allow no child to continue enrollment in the center for more than thirty (30) days without such evidence. It was determined, based on consultant's observation that current immunization forms were not on file for all enrolled children on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
Center staff will have and use a plan to track immunization forms for all enrolled children and to ensure the form or affidavit are obtained from the parent or guardian within 30 days of enrollment. Parents will be informed their child cannot remain enrolled in the center without this documentation.

Correction Deadline: 12/18/2015

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.19(1) requires the center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child. It was determined, based on consultant's observation that the center cared for 8 children in a space that was licensed for 7 children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

Correction Deadline: 12/8/2015

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

Finding
591-1-1-.25(13) requires that hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be inaccessible to children. It was determined, based on consultant's observation that a stapler remover was located on the table accessible to children and stacked chairs were observed in the 1R classroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
To ensure the safe storage of hazardous items, the center will remove all hazards accessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 12/8/2015

Finding
591-1-1-.25(3) requires that the center and surrounding premises be clean, free of debris and in good repair. It was determined based on consultant's observation that the following areas were in need of repair:
Girls restroom:
-chipping/peeling paint exposing dry wall on the right wall
-hole exposing dry wall on the left wall

Boys restroom:
-missing ceiling tile above entrance door

Indoor play area:
-Peeling and missing rubber baseboard on several walls

POI (Plan of Improvement)
To ensure the cleanliness, sanitation and safety of the environment, the center will repair all areas.

Correction Deadline: 12/8/2015

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a 4 foot high fence or other approved barriers. It was determined, based on consultant's observation that the fencing on the back side of the outdoor play area measured less than four feet. Consultant measured several areas of the fence to be between three feet four inches and three feet eight inches on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
To ensure the adequacy of protective enclosure, the center will ensure that the fencing around the outdoor play area measures at least four feet in height.

Correction Deadline: 12/22/2015

Recited on 12/8/2015

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2015

Corrected on 12/8/2015
Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed adequate amount of resilient surface on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2015

Corrected on 12/8/2015
Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed playground to be clean and free of hazards on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment
Observed-Proper Diapering

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
Director stated no medication is dispensed at this time.

Safety

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

Comment
Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

Correction Deadline: 7/29/2015

Corrected on 12/8/2015
Previous citation corrected in that director stated all information will be obtained prior to field trips.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2015

Corrected on 12/8/2015
Previous citation corrected in that director stated that parental permission will be obtained prior to field trips.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/31/2015

Corrected on 12/8/2015
Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed complete documentation of transporation training on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/29/2015

Corrected on 12/8/2015
Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed complete documentation of transportation on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined, based on consultant's observation that an infant was observed asleep in a crib with a loose crib sheet on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2015

Finding
591-1-1-.30(2)(a) requires center staff to place an infant to sleep on the infant’s back in a crib unless the center has been provided a physician’s written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. It was determined, based on consultant's observation that an infant was placed to sleep in the crib on her stomach on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The center will ensure that all teachers are trained on proper infant sleep position and that all infants are placed to sleep on their back.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2015

Staff Records

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR **Met**

Correction Deadline: 7/29/2015

Corrected on 12/8/2015
Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed conmplete first aid kits for van and center on this date.

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
Observed-Adequate Supervision