

## 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:** 3/13/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 9:10 AM Departure: 10:50 AM

#### CCLC-14372 Regional Consultant

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Quality Rated: 👚



Compliance Zone Designation					
03/13/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	histo stand		
09/05/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Goo		
02/06/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Sup		

npliance Zone Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring ory, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good ding, support, and deficient.

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od Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting

the rules. Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting port

rules. Deficient 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
Main	A	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	С	11	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	В	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	7	С	10	С	NA	NA	Art
Main	С		0	0	С	6	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2	7		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Children this Date: 16		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2	7		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			

Playground **Playground** Building Playground Compliance Occupancy Main Only 26 C

## Comments

The consultant and director discussed outdoor play and first year training requirements.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/13/2019

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.

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## **Important New Deadlines:**

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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>

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## **Findings Report**

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## The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

## **Activities and Equipment**

591-1-1-.03 Activities Technical Assistance

# Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.03(7) - Consultant and director discussed outdoor play should occur daily for all children and only excused under certain weather conditions.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2019

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

Met

Comment

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

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

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

**Not Met** 

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.25(7) requires that doors to rooms not approved for child care, other than the kitchen doors, be latched or locked so children cannot wander into those areas. Except in School-age Centers, interior Center door locks shall permit Personnel to open the locked room from outside of the room in an emergency. It was determined based on an observation that the door to Classroom C was not locked, therefore children could easily wander from Classroom B.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check that doors to unapproved rooms remain latched or locked and that Staff can open the locked rooms in an emergency.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2019

Recited on 3/13/2019

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on an observation that one of three swing chains were cracked and exposed sharp edges. It was further determined that one of three swing seats were cracked and exposed sharp edges.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2019

**Food Service** 

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/5/2018

#### Corrected on 3/13/2019

.15(4) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed a newly purchased high chair, and discussed using the safety straps with staff.

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

**Not Met** 

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on an observation that the diaper changing pad in Classroom B was torn and exposed foam.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 3/15/2019

## 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

## Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

N/A

## Comment

The center currently does not dispense or administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

## Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/5/2018

Corrected on 3/13/2019

.30(4) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed all blankets stored without

touching.

**Staff Records** 

## Records Reviewed: 7

## Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 1 Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/28/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(4)-1st Yr. Training 2 Hrs. (Abuse) Missing,.33(4)-1st Yr. Training 4 Hrs. Missing

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 03/20/2018

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 12/31/2014

Staff # 4 Not Met

Date of Hire: 11/01/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing, .33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 01/07/2004

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 03/10/2018

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 02/08/2004

## Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

#### 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2018

#### Corrected on 3/13/2019

.14(2) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed all staff to have current First Aid and CPR training.

## 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

## **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.33(2) - Please ensure all staff have documentation of orientation on file.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2019

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety training at the time of employment that will count toward required annual training: Staff employed prior to September 30, 2016 will complete the training by December 29, 2016 and Staff employed after September 30, 2016 will complete the health and safety training within the first 90 days of employment. It was determined based on a review of records that one staff hired on November 1, 2018 did not obtain the required health and safety orientation training within 90 days of hire.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates.

Correction Deadline: 4/12/2019

#### Recited on 3/13/2019

#### **Finding**

591-1-Ī-.33(4) requires all Staff who provide any direct care to children, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers, to obtain ten (10) clock hours of training or instruction in child care issues from an accredited school or Department-approved source. At least six (6) of the clock hours must be divided as follows: four (4) clock hours of training in any of the following topics: disease control, cleanliness, basic hygiene, illness detection, illness disposition and childhood injury control and two (2) clock hours of training in identifying, reporting and meeting the needs of abused, neglected or deprived children. It was determined based on a review of records that one staff hired on February 28, 2018 did not obtain the required first year training.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule training and follow up to ensure that direct care Staff complete the required hours of training in the required subjects.

Correction Deadline: 4/12/2019

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2018

## **Corrected on 3/13/2019**

.33(6) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed all staff to obtain the required ten hours of annual training for 2018.

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.

Correction Deadline: 9/5/2018

#### **Corrected on 3/13/2019**

.32(4) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed appropriate mixed ages in all classrooms.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/5/2018

## Corrected on 3/13/2019

.32(7) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed adequate supervision.