



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 10/10/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 1:05 PM

Departure: 2:35 PM

CCLC-14438

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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.
10/10/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/28/2017	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
06/16/2017	Incident 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	Back Left		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	Back Right	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	18	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap
Main	Front Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	13	C	20	C	NA	NA	Story,Nap
Main	Front Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	16	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 78

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 35

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 78

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- Left Playground	34	C
Main	PG- Right Playground	35	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/10/2017

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).



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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@decga.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://decga.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)

Carlos Gil, Program Official

Date

Melyn Smith, 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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.08(1)-Doctor, Clinic, Phone Numbers	
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

Finding

591-1-1-.08(1) requires the Center Staff to maintain a file for each child while such child is in care and for one year after that child is no longer enrolled. In order for the file to be complete, the file shall contain the following: child's name, birth date, sex, address, living arrangement, name of school if applicable; names of both Parents, home and work addresses, and home and work telephone numbers; name(s) and addresses of the person(s) to whom the child may be released including address, telephone numbers, relationship to child and to Parent(s), and other identifying information; name(s) and telephone number(s) of person(s) to contact in emergencies when the Parent cannot be reached; name and telephone number of the child's primary source of health care; and a statement regarding known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, mental retardation or developmental disabilities which limit the child's participation in the program. It was determined, based on review of records, that one of five children's records reviewed was lacking the child's physician's phone number on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will develop a plan that includes how to obtain all required information for currently enrolled children and how to ensure this is done for future enrollees as well. The plan will also include how and where to maintain files for the required amount of time. The plan will be implemented and followed.

Correction Deadline: 10/10/2017

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

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

Comment

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

Comment

Observation-Clean/Good Repair

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

Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Comment

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

Comment

Observed-Complete Documentation

	Safety
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591-1-1-.05 Animals	Met
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Comment

No Animals Kept

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

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017

Corrected on 10/10/2017

.11(2)(c) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that Center staff were observed to use positive discipline and redirection on this date.

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

No Field Trips at This Time

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

No Routine Transportation Provided

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
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Staff # 1	Met
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Date of Hire: 02/18/2016

Staff # 2	Met
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Date of Hire: 08/04/2004

Staff # 3	Met
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Date of Hire: 03/05/2018

Staff # 4	Met
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Date of Hire: 10/13/2016

Staff # 5	Met
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Date of Hire: 10/10/2017

Staff # 6	Met
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Date of Hire: 02/18/2016

Staff # 7	Met
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Date of Hire: 11/01/2001

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

Met

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

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

Met

Comment

591-1-1-.31(13) - Consultant observed Center staff to comply with all applicable laws and regulations on this date.

Correction Deadline: 10/10/2017

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff