

#### 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: 2/17/2020 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 9:00 AM Departure: 12:15 PM

CCLC-1479 Regional Consultant

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Compliance Zone Designation					
02/17/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
09/18/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
06/27/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing			

**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

Deficient

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

 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	Left Front		0	0	С	22	С	30	С	
Main	Left Rear	Six Year Olds and Over	2	24	С	25	С	35	С	Centers
Main	middle back	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	С	12	С	NA	NA	Nap,Feeding,Flo or Play
Main	Right Back	One Year Olds	1	6	С	15	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Right Front	Three Year Olds	1	14	С	15	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Right Middle	Two Year Olds	1	10	С	16	С	NA	NA	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	05		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.		@35 capa Limitation	city limited by Fire s

Total # Children this Date: 60

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 105

Total Capacity @25 sq.

BuildingPlaygroundPlayground OccupancyPlayground ComplianceMainA106C

#### Comments

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a licensing study and to follow-up on the previous visit conducted on Septemberr 18, 2019.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/17/2020

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).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
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 Licensing Study:

# **Activities and Equipment**

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

Met

#### Comment

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

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Met

#### Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

#### 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.

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

#### 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) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that the gate and fence on the toddler play area had screws that were longer than two threads.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2020

# Food Service

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

Met

#### Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

#### 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

#### Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

# **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.

#### Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

N/A

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

# **Policies and Procedures**

#### 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures

Met

#### Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

## 591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

#### Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

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)

N/A

Comment
Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Met

#### Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

#### Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

#### Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

#### 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.

**Staff Records** 

Records Reviewed: 15	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1
Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 09/17/1999	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 08/02/2018	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 08/08/2016	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 09/27/2016	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met

Records Reviewed: 15 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Date of Hire: 10/31/2017

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 05/03/2007

Staff # 9 Met

Staff # 10 Not Met

Date of Hire: 09/18/2019

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 12/06/2013

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 01/20/2003

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 06/02/2014

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 10/13/2008

Staff # 15 Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 11

#### 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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.14(1) requires the Center Director and, at any given time, at least fifty percent (50%) of the caregiver Staff to successfully complete a biennial training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in first aid. The first aid training must be done by certified or licensed health care professionals or trainers and must deal with the provision of emergency care to infants and children. The Center shall maintain current evidence of the successful completion of such training which shall be available to the Department for inspection. It was determined based on a review of records that employee # 11 hired on September 18, 2019 did not have evidence of current CPR and first aid training on file. The employee had evidence of an online CPR and first aid certificate on file.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center Director and at least 50% of the caregiver Staff will complete the needed training. The Director will send written verification to the consultant upon completion and will develop a plan to ensure that at least 50% of the caregiver Staff have completed this training at any given time and that evidence of successful completion of the training is on file available for inspection.

Correction Deadline: 3/18/2020

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

Met

#### Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

# 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.

#### 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

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