



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 2/11/2020    **VisitType:** POI Follow Up    **Arrival:** 9:40 AM    **Departure:** 11:15 AM

**CCLC-16585**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
02/11/2020	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
01/16/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/29/2019	Monitoring Visit	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	A - Left	Two Year Olds	1	6	C	11	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Outside, Centers
Main	B - Middle	One Year Olds	2	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Outside, Free Play, Transitioning
Main	C - Right	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	17	C	24	C	Centers, Outside, Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 39						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 46				
Total # Children this Date: 25			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 39			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 46				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	33	C

**Comments**

This POI Follow - Up is the third visit for Little Light of Mine this 2019 - 2020 fiscal year.

Upon arrival the center director was not present however arrived within an hour and a half.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>, 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.

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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@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us).

- 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://dec.state.ga.us/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.

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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: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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Cheryl Dent, Program Official

Date

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Connie Boatright, Consultant

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

### Activities and Equipment

#### 591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/27/2020

Corrected on 2/11/2020

.03(2) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed all classrooms to have current lesson plans posted using the GELDS model.

### Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 6

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Met

#### 591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

#### Comment

Parent agreements observed obtained/completed.

**Comment**

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

**Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Correction Deadline: 1/27/2020**

**Corrected on 2/11/2020**

**.08(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date.**

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2020**

**Corrected on 2/11/2020**

**.08(6) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed twenty-five children to be present and twenty-five children to be signed in.**

**Facility**

**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.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2020**

**Corrected on 2/11/2020**

**.25(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date.**

**Staff Records**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

**Correction Deadline: 1/27/2020**

**Corrected on 2/11/2020**

**.14(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date.**

**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**

**Defer**

**Correction Deadline: 1/27/2020**

**Corrected on 2/11/2020**

**.33(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All staff had completed orientation forms on file.**

**Correction Deadline: 1/27/2020**

**Corrected on 2/11/2020**

**.33(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All staff had certificates of completion of Health and Safety & Orientation on file.**

**Defer**

591-1-1-.33(5)- The previous citation is being deferred to the first visit in 2020 - 2021 fiscal year.

**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: 1/27/2020**

**Defer**

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2.- The previous citation is being deferred to the first visit in 2020-2021. The employee has contacted Coastal Pines Technical College and this semester has already started. The next semester will begin in May of 2020 in which the employee will enroll and begin classes at that time.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

A teacher/lead caregiver will be hired that meets the minimum academic requirements and qualifying work experience.

**Correction Deadline: 1/27/2020**