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Discovery Point Child Development Center #46

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

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.
12/09/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/20/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/18/2018	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 - 1st Left	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play
Main	B- 2nd Left (1 year)		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	C- 3rd Left 18 mth - 24 mth	One Year Olds	1	8	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap
Main	E - 1st right	Two Year Olds	1	8	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap
Main	F- 2nd right	PreK	1	20	C	24	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	G - 3rd Right:	PreK	2	20	C	24	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap
Main	H- 4th Right	Three Year Olds	1	10	C	27	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	I- 5th Right: GA Pre-K C	PreK	2	19	C	36	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 191						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 91			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 191			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Left Playground: Infant/Toddler	17	C
Main	Middle Playground: School Age	89	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/09/2019

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, <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.

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.

- 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.

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

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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)

Technical Assistance

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591-1-1-.12(2) - Please monitor the child size foam items for wear in classrooms A and G, repair or replace when needed.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2019

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.08(6) - Consultant discussed with the director the need to monitor the arrival and departure records to ensure parents were signing children in/out with the time and a signature or an initial.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2019

	Facility
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591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**Met****Comment**

Bathrooms observed to be clean.

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(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. It was determined based on observation that the following linoleum flooring in the boys bathrooms were not smooth and torn at the drains in classrooms F, G and special use room.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Floors will be maintained to be safe and sanitary. Floors will be repaired to be smooth around drains.

Correction Deadline: 1/8/2020

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the following was present:

Ventilation in the bathrooms had an accumulation of dust throughout the center.

Vents in the classrooms had an accumulation of dust throughout the center.

The girls and boys bathroom ceilings in classroom G were cracked with pieces missing.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring. The center will clean all vents and repair the ceilings.

Correction Deadline: 12/23/2019

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(8) - Please ensure all cords in use were secured to the walls.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2019

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

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were present:

Right playground:

Exposed tree roots were along the back metal fence posing a tripping hazard.

Middle playground:

Exposed tree roots were along the back and the left side metal fencing posing a tripping hazard.

The black mat under the multiple basketball goal was torn and coming apart, the mat was also not flush with the ground posing a tripping hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards. The center will paint the tree roots to make them more visible and remove the black mat.

Correction Deadline: 12/16/2019

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Comment**

Infant feeding forms were updated regularly.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Please ensure that all food items are stored in airtight containers.

Health and Hygiene

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

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.20(1) - Consultant reviewed with the director the requirements for medication documentation.

Correction Deadline: 12/9/2019

Safety

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)**Met****Comment**

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 3/25/2019****Corrected on 12/9/2019****.36(4)(a) - Correction observed on this date. Center had a current inspection certificate.**

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 5**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 04/08/2019	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 07/24/2017	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2012	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 09/05/2019	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 06/11/2019	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)**Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 11 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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.

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.