



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 11/7/2019 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 11:10 AM **Departure:** 2:10 PM

CCLC-17743

Precious Moments Child Development Center

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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.
11/07/2019	Licensing Study	Deficient	
05/09/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/03/2018	Licensing Study	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	Entry	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	10	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch	
Main	Left Back		0	0	C	7	C	10	C		
Main	Left Front		0	0	C	5	C	NA	NA		
Main	Right	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	10	C	8	NC	NA	NA	Lunch	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			30			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:					33

Total # Children this Date: 15 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 30 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 33

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Only	170	C

Comments

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted

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/Regulations.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

Patricia Andrews, Program Official

Date

Kaycee Purvis, 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-.03 Activities

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.03(2) - Please be sure to date lesson plans.

Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that the blue vinyl couch in the Right Classroom located outside the bathroom was torn on both arms and the middle of the seat exposing foam on this date.

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Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(3) - Please remind staff not to stack chairs when children are present.

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Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

Finding

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based on an observation that the diaper changing station in the entry room was not secure to the wall and was easily shaken.

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Correction Deadline: 11/14/2019

Recited on 11/7/2019

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation that the Right Classroom housed ten children on this date when the Right Classroom is only licensed for eight children.

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Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

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

Not Met

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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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 light in the restroom of the Right Classroom was not working on this date.

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Correction Deadline: 11/21/2019

Recited on 11/7/2019

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

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

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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 fence had a three inch long by four and a half inch wide section missing from the bottom of the wooden fence located in the middle of the right side of the playground causing a potential entrapment hazard on this date.

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Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

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 observation that the basketball goal located in the back of the playground was leaning forward and was easily shaken on this date.

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Correction Deadline: 11/14/2019

Recited on 11/7/2019

Food Service

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.15(3) requires baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. It was determined based on staff statements that the center staff mix bottles.

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Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Not Met

Finding

Previously Cited: 591-1-1-.18(2) makes the following requirements for the food preparation areas: 1) Center must have a designated space that is separate from rooms used by children; 2) food preparation area is not also used for diaper-changing; 3) area is kept clean and free of accumulated dust, dirt, food particles and grease deposits; 4) ventilation is provided either by mechanical or natural means; 5) food preparation surfaces are nonporous with no unsealed cracks or seams; and 6) kitchen lights are shielded. 591-1-1-.18(2) requires the Center to have a designated space for food preparation separate from rooms used by children and in an area not used for diaper changing. The area shall be kept clean and free of accumulation of dust, dirt, food particles and grease deposits. Food preparation surface areas shall be nonporous with no unsealed cracks or seams. It was determined based on observation that the area behind the sink was not sealed.

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Correction Deadline: 11/14/2019

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Correction Deadline: 5/9/2019

Corrected on 11/7/2019

.20(4) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant did not observed any medication on this date.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **N/A**

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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**

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 3

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1 Met
Date of Hire: 03/13/2017

Staff # 2 Not Met
"Missing/Incomplete Components"
.09-Criminal Records Check Missing

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 03/13/2017

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 2

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires that a Center ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on a review of records that Staff #3 did not submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site on this date. A one day letter was left.

Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on a review of records that Staff #3 did not have a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter on file on this date. A one day letter was left.

Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(j) requires that for portability for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training, only the most recently issued determination letter is eligible for portability and must be ported electronically. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. It was determined based on a review of records that the center did not electronically port the most recently issues determination letter issued by the Department. A one day letter was left on this date.

Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.31(11) requires the Center to have qualified and sufficient direct-care, clerical, housekeeping, maintenance and other employees to ensure full compliance with these rules without neglecting the supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that there were not enough staff present to maintain compliance without neglecting the supervision of children.

Correction Deadline: 11/7/2019

Recited on 11/7/2019

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/9/2019

Corrected on 11/7/2019

.32(1) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed all classrooms to maintain proper ratios.

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

Met

Comment

The Consultant discussed adequate supervision with the Director on this date.