



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/25/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 12:05 PM **Departure:** 2:45 PM

CCLC-23224

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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.
09/25/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/17/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/18/2016	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-1L	Two Year Olds	1	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B-2L	One Year Olds	2	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-3L	Infants	2	5	C	8	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play
Main	D-1R	Three Year Olds	1	8	C	19	C	27	C	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 55						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 63				
Total # Children this Date: 28			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 55			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 63				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A	6	C
Main	PG B	17	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit and to follow up on the previous visit from February 17, 2017. Consultant provided Director with information on the credit hours needed for lead teachers.

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).



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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

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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)

Bianca Taylor, Program Official

Date

Alva Huff, Consultant

Date

Valarie Musselwhite, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

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)

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 3

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Child # 1

Met

Child # 2

Met

Child # 3

Met

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2017

Corrected on 9/25/2017

.08(a)-(f) - Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed three children's records reviewed to be complete on this date.

Facility

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

Comment

Licensed capacity met on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) **Not Met**

Correction Deadline: 3/19/2017

Corrected on 9/25/2017

.25(11) - Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed the tiles in the D-1R classroom to be replaced and the rug in the A-1L classroom removed on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined, based on an observation that the safety lock was broken on the cabinet under the sink in C-3L classroom where cleaning supplies and diaper creams were being stored on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 9/25/2017

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

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2017

Corrected on 9/25/2017

.26(4) - Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed playground fencing to be in good repair on this date.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined, based on an observation that the diaper changing pad in classroom A-1L had small tears and a sticky under surface. It was further determined that the diaper changing pad in classroom B-2L had a large tear revealing foam on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 9/25/2017

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

Comment

Staff stated proper hand washing procedures on this date.

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

Comment

Director stated no medication is being dispensed at this time.

Safety

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

Staff stated age appropriate discussion and redirection as a form discipline.

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

Observed-Complete Documentation

Comment

Vehicle had fire extinguisher and first aid kit

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

Comment

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 14**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/10/2017	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 04/19/2010	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 04/27/2017	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 10/25/2011	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 09/23/2011	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 07/30/2009	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 08/28/2017	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 10/05/2016	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 09/11/2014	

Records Reviewed: 14

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 10/26/2016	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 03/08/2016	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 03/09/2016	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 04/15/2014	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 10/06/2009	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 14

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

Comment

Consultant observed fourteen (14) complete satisfactory criminal records checks on this date.

Comment

Director provided three (3) files for employees hired since the last visit.

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records **Met**

Correction Deadline: 2/17/2017

Corrected on 9/25/2017

.24(d) - Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed three (3) new hires with documentation of orientation on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 3/1/2017

Corrected on 9/25/2017

.31(2)(a) - Previous citation corrected in that consultant observed designated lead teachers on this date.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision

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

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision