



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 12/19/2019 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 3:35 PM

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Quality Rated: No

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
12/19/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
12/19/2019	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Support	
08/14/2019	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
I	Room A		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
I	Room B	Infants	1	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
I	Room C	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers
I	Room D		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
I	Room E		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
I	Room F	Two Year Olds	2	5	C	14	C	NA	NA	Free Play
I	Room G	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 84			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
II	3's		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 21			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 29			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 105			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
I	Playground	33	C

Comments

The Consultant left a plan of improvement on this date to be submitted through Decal Koala on January 2, 2019.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 01/02/2020

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, <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

Natasha Duncan, Program Official	Date
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Stacey Foston, Consultant	Date
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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Facility

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

Technical Assistance

Correction Deadline: 8/24/2019

Corrected on 12/19/2019

.26(6) - The Consultant observed the playground to be free from equipment hazards on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(6) - Please ensure that the pink and green playhouse located on the middle of the playground is connected properly and that the plastic does not have any cracks accessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 12/29/2019

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.07(5) requires Center Staff to not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that a pacifier was attached to a child's clothing in the one-year-old classroom.

Correction Deadline: 12/19/2019

Recited on 12/19/2019

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 the consultant's observation that the diaper changing surface in the two year old classroom was not smooth and nonporous in that the changing pad had a tear located on the right corner section of the pad.

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Correction Deadline: 12/19/2019

Recited on 12/19/2019

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

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2019

Corrected on 12/19/2019

.17(8) - The Consultant observed this rule to be corrected this date. The Consultant observed the staff to remind the children to wash their hands.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Met**

Correction Deadline: 8/19/2019

Corrected on 12/19/2019

.21(1)(p) - The Consultant observed a written plan for handling emergencies on this date.

Safety

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.36(3)(a-b) requires any Center that provides any type of transportation to obtain two (2) hours of state-approved or state-accepted transportation training, biannually, for the Director and for each person responsible for or who participates in the transportation of children. The training shall include, but is not limited to, a review of the transportation rules, a review of approved transportation forms and procedures, and instruction on the usage and completion of the forms and procedures. This training may be counted as part of the annual training requirements for Staff. It was determined based on the consultant's review of records that a staff member who participates in the transportation of children did not obtain biannually two (2) hours of state-approved or state-accepted transportation training as required.

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Correction Deadline: 12/26/2019

Recited on 12/19/2019

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(b) requires that an emergency medical information record be maintained in the vehicle for each child being transported. The emergency medical information record for each child shall include a listing of the child's full name, date of birth, allergies, special medical needs and conditions, current prescribed medications that the child is required to take on a daily basis for a chronic condition, the name and telephone number of the child's doctor, the local medical facility that the Center uses in the area where the Center is located and the telephone numbers where the Parents can be reached. It was determined based on the consultant's review of medical authorization forms for transportation that two out of fifteen children were missing emergency medical information for children being transported.

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Correction Deadline: 12/20/2019

Recited on 12/19/2019

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(4). requires that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space. When storage is available and used for the storage of cots and mats that allows the cots, mats and any bedding to be stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat. When such storage is not available for the cots and mats, each child's bedding shall be kept separate from other children's bedding and stored in containers marked for individual use, such as, but not limited to, bins, cubbies, or bags. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that cots and mats were accessible to children in the one year old classroom.

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Correction Deadline: 12/19/2019

Recited on 12/19/2019

Staff Records

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591-1-1-.24(1) requires the center to maintain a personnel file on the Director, all Employees, Provisional Employees, Personnel, Staff, Students-in-Training, Volunteers, Clerical, Housekeeping, Maintenance, and other Support Staff for the duration of the term of employment plus one calendar year, and it shall contain the following: identifying information to include: name, date of birth, social security number, current address and current telephone number; employment history; as applicable to the position held: evidence of education and qualifying work experience; evidence of all training required by these rules which shall include: title of training, date of training, trainer's signature, location of training and number of clock hours obtained; a statement completed by the staff member that the information provided is true and accurate; any other records required by these rules; and as applicable to the position held, evidence of required orientation including date and signature of person providing the orientation; It was determined based on the Consultant's review of staff files, that a staff member hired on August 5, 2019 did not have a personnel record as required.

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Correction Deadline: 12/24/2019

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

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2019

Corrected on 12/19/2019

.33(5) - The Consultant observed evidence of the completed food prep training on this date.

Defer

591-1-1-.33(6)-This rule will be evaluated during the next regulatory visit in 2020.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2019