

Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Date: 8/10/2021 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 10:00 AM Departure: 11:00 AM

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Quality Rated: No

				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				
	08/10/2021	Monitoring Visit		standing, support, and deficient.				
	08/04/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	Good Standing	 Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. 			
		Complaint Investigation Follow	Good Standing	''	Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.			
		Up		Deficient	 Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. 			

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	Room A-Infant 1	Infants	1	4	С	14	С	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room B-Infant 2	Infants	2	7	С	8	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,Free Play
Main	Room C-Infant 3	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	С	13	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Room D-T1	One Year Olds	2	11	С	17	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room E-T2	Two Year Olds	3	20	С	35	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room F- G1	Two Year Olds	2	16	С	37	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room G-G2	Two Year Olds	1	10	С	37	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room H-G3	PreK	2	22	С	25	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room I (PreK)	PreK	2	26	С	26	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Room J	Five Year Olds	1	16	С	22	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 234			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Total # Children this Date: 140 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 234 Total Capacity @25 sq.

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A-Right Front	12	С
Main	Playground B- Right Side	40	С
Main	Playground C - Back Right	18	С

Main	Playground D- Left	94	С
	Side		

Comments

Background checks were all reviewed on August 10, 2021. A virtual inspection was conducted on August 10, 2021 with the director. An inperson visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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.decal.ga.gov/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@decal.ga.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

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://decal.ga.gov/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)

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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.decal.ga.gov/
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

Vicki Nolan, Program Official	Date	Leena Mitchell, Consultant	Date



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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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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)

Met

Comment

A virtual walk through was conducted on this date due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The facility appeared to be clean and well maintained upon virtual walk through.

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair. Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards:

- Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys.
- Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area.
- Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.)
- Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area.
- Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather.
- Fluff and redistribute resilient surface as needed.

Food Service

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

Met

Comment

591-1-1-.15(2) - Please ensure the new updated infant feeding form is used. Discussed revision to the written feeding plans for children under the age of one (1) years old. Age-appropriate solid foods (including cereal) shall not be given to infants or children less than one (1) of age until recommended as developmentally appropriate by the child's primary care physician and indicated in writing by the Parent(s). As soon as the feeding plan indicates that a child is ready for solid foods, the child shall be fed from individual spoons and individual containers or dishes. A child shall not be fed directly from the original baby food container if the contents are to be fed to the child at more than one (1) meal or to more than one (1) child.

Correction Deadline: 8/10/2021

Comment

591-1-1-.15(7) - Discussed new revision as of October 1, 2020, which states: Foods that are associated with young children's choking incidents, such as, but not limited to, peanuts, hot dogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, cheese cubes, grapes and any other food that is of similar shape and size of the trachea/windpipe shall not be served to the children less than four (4) years of age. Children older than four (4) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking.

Correction Deadline: 8/10/2021

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures. Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Staff stated proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures for staff and children during virtual visit.

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

Met

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Policies and Procedures

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed the following rule with the Provider on this date: 591-1-1-.21(3) requires that the Center conduct drills for fire, tornado and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Center shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years.

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2021

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Comment

The consultant discussed the updated required reporting requirements regarding suspected cases of child abuse (at the center and/or home) reported to the Department of Family and Children Services, communicable illness required to be reported to the Department of Public Health, and temporary closure of the center via DECAL KOALA.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The consultant observed the following vehicles to have a current vehicle inspection report on file:

- Vehicle Tag # I31 TSE Expires September 29, 2021.
- Vehicle Tag # QAC 4216 Expires January 19, 2022.
- Vehicle Tag # RQM 6356 Expires May 11, 2022.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date. Staff stated proper safe sleep policy and procedure during virtual visit.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 31

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Met

Date of Hire: 11/20/2017

Staff # 2

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 11/07/2016

Staff #3

Met

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1 Records Reviewed: 31 Date of Hire: 09/22/1997 Staff # 4 Met Date of Hire: 02/04/2003 Staff #5 Met Date of Hire: 06/07/2021 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired Staff #6 Met Date of Hire: 09/15/2017 Staff # 7 Met Date of Hire: 03/15/2021 Staff #8 Met Date of Hire: 05/24/2021 Staff #9 Met Date of Hire: 10/01/2018 Staff # 10 Met Date of Hire: 01/27/2021 Staff # 11 Met Date of Hire: 11/15/2019 Staff # 12 Met Date of Hire: 04/02/2017 Staff # 13 Met Date of Hire: 10/15/2019 Staff # 14 Met Date of Hire: 09/03/2018 Staff # 15 Not Met Date of Hire: 11/02/2020 "Missing/Incomplete Components" .33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate Staff # 16 Met Date of Hire: 12/10/1998 Staff # 17 Met Date of Hire: 03/22/2021

Records Reviewed: 31	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 09/05/2019	Met
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 11/12/2018	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 01/27/2021	Met
Staff # 21 Date of Hire: 03/15/2021	Met
Staff # 22 Date of Hire: 10/15/2019	Met
Staff # 23 Date of Hire: 04/23/2012	Met
Staff # 24 Date of Hire: 08/10/2021	Met Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 25 Date of Hire: 11/19/2019	Met
Staff # 26 Date of Hire: 10/11/2000	Met
Staff # 27 Date of Hire: 02/05/2020	Met
Staff # 28 Date of Hire: 05/11/2021	Met
Staff # 29 Date of Hire: 03/13/2021	Met
Staff # 30 Date of Hire: 07/05/2016	Met
Staff # 31 Date of Hire: 03/20/2017	Met
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 11	

Comment

The director provided seven files for staff members hired since the previous visit conducted on February 10, 2021. The consultant observed seven of seven newly hired staff members to have evidence of a satisfactory criminal record check letter on file. The consultant discussed the following information regarding criminal record checks with the director:

- Monitor the expiration dates of all staff members' criminal record check letters.
- Submit a portability request via DECAL KOALA for newly hired staff members that have a previous satisfactory comprehensive criminal record check letter issued by the department.
- Ensure that all newly hired staff members have evidence of a satisfactory comprehensive criminal record check letter prior to providing services to children present for care.
- Ensure that all newly hired and/or seasonal staff members with a six month (180 days) break of employment from child care submit an updated criminal record check application and complete the fingerprinting process prior to rendering services for child care services.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed the following rule with the Provider on this date: 591-1-1-.33(3) requires each Staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; precautions in transporting children; recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and child development.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2021

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

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Proper supervision of children, including being prompt to children's needs, was discussed with the director on this date.

Comment

591-1-1-.32(7) - Discussed new revision as of October 1, 2020, which states: Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger.

Correction Deadline: 8/10/2021