



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 12/6/2017    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 9:40 AM    **Departure:** 11:15 AM

**CCLC-3416**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
12/06/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
03/21/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
11/03/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing

**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.

**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 Ft Left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	18	C	22	C	NA	NA	Free Play	
Main	Room B Bk left	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	16	C	22	C	NA	NA	Outside	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			44			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:			0		
Total # Children this Date:			34			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			44		
						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:			0		

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	62	C

**Comments**

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a monitoring visit.

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).



**Reminder:** All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit [www.decalkoala.com](http://www.decalkoala.com). You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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.al.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.al.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://dec.al.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)



**Important New Deadlines:**

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.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@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov)

Michelle Baccus-Norman, Program Official \_\_\_\_\_ Date

Jackqueline Frederick, Consultant \_\_\_\_\_ Date

Melissa Herndon, 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

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

Met

#### Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Facility

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

Met

#### Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

Met

#### Comment

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

Met

#### Comment

Observation-Clean/Good Repair

### Health and Hygiene

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

Met

#### Comment

No children enrolled that require diapering.

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

**Comment**

Observed-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

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

**Comment**

Center does not dispense medication at this time.

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**Safety**

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

**Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

**Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Comment**

Observed cots to be stored away from children as required.

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**Staff Records**

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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)** **Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(i) requires that if the Center accept a satisfactory determination letter issued by the Department for a potential Director or Employee as evidence of that individual's Satisfactory Records Check Determination, the Records Check Clearance Date must be within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has not changed. It was determined based on a review of staff records that one employee was working at a center with an expired portability date of May 01, 2015.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will ensure that each potential Employee bringing a satisfactory determination letter issued by the Department has a Satisfactory Records Check Determination that is dated within the preceding 12 months from the hire date. The Center will not employ individual's whose satisfactory status has changed.

**Correction Deadline: 12/6/2017**

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

**Comment**

Lead staff education requirements

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**Staffing and Supervision**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision