

# 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: 9/3/2019 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 8:35 AM Departure: 11:00 AM

CCLC-3557 Regional Consultant

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Compliance Zone Designation				
09/03/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
03/19/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
07/30/2018	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 meetin

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#### Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Bldg One	Back	One Year Olds	2	10	С	24	С	NA	NA	Free Play,Story
Bldg One	Left	Infants and One Year Olds	2	5	С	23	С	NA	NA	Diapering,Free Play
Bldg One	Middle	Two Year Olds	2	4	С	23	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Bldg One	Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	11	С	35	С	49	С	Free Play
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	al Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 105		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 169					
Bldg Two	Main	Six Year Olds and Over	2	10	С	64	С	NA	NA	Free Play
				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 169						
Total # C	hildren this Date: 40	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	69		Total C ft.: 169	apacity @	25 sq.			

Building Playground		Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance		
Bldg One	Back-Play Yard	122	С		
Bldg One	Side-Play Yard	8	С		

#### Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/03/2019

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:gualityrated@decal.ga.gov">gualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

ra Hatcher, Program Official	Date	Kaycee Purvis, 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)

Not Met

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-1.12(1) requires each Employee and child in attendance to use all indoor and outdoor furniture, activity materials, and equipment in a safe and appropriate manner and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, recommendations, and intended use. All equipment and furniture shall be used only by the ageappropriate group of children. It was determined based on observation that a staff member placed an infant in a Fisher Price Rock and Play that had been recalled.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove all recalled Fisher Price Rock and Plays from the infant room.

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2019

#### 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 used by children in the Middle Classroom in Building One and the red vinyl couch and chair cushions used by children in Building Two were observed to have tears with foam exposed, which prevented the furniture from being able to be kept clean on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2019

Recited on 9/3/2019

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.12(3) - Please ensure that teachers do not stack chairs when children are present.

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2019

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

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

## 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)

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

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

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.25(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. It was determined based on observation that the flooring in the bathroom in the Middle Classroom was observed to not be smooth as tears and cracks were observed present on this date.

#### **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Floors will be maintained to be safe and sanitary.

Correction Deadline: 9/17/2019

#### Recited on 9/3/2019

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

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

#### **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 white gate located on the side play ground posed a potential entrapment hazard as there was a four and one half inch gap from the ground to the bottom of the gate on this date.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 9/6/2019

#### Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that a lawn mower was located accessible to children on the route to the playground on this date. It was further determined that 12 of 16 metal plates used to hold the wooden barrier together were broken exposing sharp edges of metal and protruding nails on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2019

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.17(7) - Please ensure that staff have children wash hands upon arrival daily.

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2019

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

Not Met

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.20(1) requires Personnel to obtain specific written authorization from the child's physician or parent in order to dispense prescription or non-prescription medications, except for first aid. Such authorization will include when applicable, date; full name of the child; name of the medication; prescription number, if any; dosage; the dates to be given; the time of day to be dispensed; and signature of parent. It was determined based on observation that the center did not have the required written medication authorization for a Epinephrine Pen located accessible to children in a child's bookbag in the cubby on this date.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to obtain and review parental authorizations to ensure the authorization contains complete information. The designated person(s) will monitor daily.

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2019

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.20(4) requires the Center to keep medication in a cabinet or container that is locked or otherwise not accessible to the children and to be stored separate from cleaning chemicals, supplies or poisons. Medications requiring refrigeration shall be placed in a leak-proof container in a refrigerator that is not accessible to the children. It was determined based on observation that a Epinephrine pen was located accessible to children in a child's book bag in the cubby on this date.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on the safe and proper storage of medication and monitor to ensure that the rule is met. Staff immediately took the Epinephrine pen to the director at the consultant's request.

Correction Deadline: 9/3/2019

Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

**Not Met** 

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2019

## Corrected on 9/3/2019

.36(3)(a-b) - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant observed documentation of completed transportation training for all staff that participate in routine transportation on this date.

#### Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. requires that the driver or other designated person shall immediately document in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist each time a child enters and exits the vehicle. The driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center. It was determined based on a review of records that a child transported to Wilkerson Garden Elementary School and a child transported to Lamar Milledge Elementary School the entire week of August 12-16, 2019 and the entire week of August 19-23, 2019 were not documented as present or absent in writing on the passenger transportation checklist.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The driver/other designated person will immediately document in writing with a check/mark/symbol each time a child gets on and off the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 9/4/2019

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/19/2019

## **Corrected on 9/3/2019**

.30(1)(b)1 - Correction of previous citation in that the consultant did not observe any torn mats on this date.

**Staff Records** 

Records Reviewed: 16	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5	

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

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

Met

## Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.