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Date: 10/18/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 1:00 PM

Departure: 3:20 PM

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Compliance Zone Designation		
10/18/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/07/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
12/09/2016	POI Follow Up	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	A		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	Not In Use	
Main	B	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	14	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap	
Main	C	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	9	C	8	NC	NA	NA	Nap	
Main	D	Infants	1	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			45			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:					0
Total # Children this Date: 29			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:					0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

Requested all files on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/18/2017

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

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://decga.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)

Brenda Carroll, Program Official

Date

Leah Klatzker, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation that classroom C had nine children and was licensed for eight.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

Correction Deadline: 10/18/2017

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/7/2017

Corrected on 10/18/2017

.25(3) - Previous citation corrected.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****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 nails were observed to be protruding from various boards throughout the fencing. Further, on the left side of the playground the wooden fence board in the middle were leaning inwards, this area of the fencing was not sturdy.

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: 10/18/2017

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

No medication dispensed.

Safety

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

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

No Field Trips at This Time

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

No Routine Transportation Provided

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2) requires the Center to provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants. Center Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant’s back in a crib unless the Center has been provided a physician’s written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant’s back but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred position and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer’s guidelines and will not slide up around the infant’s face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant. Swaddling shall not be used unless the Center has been provided a physician’s written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Center Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant, such as, but not limited to, crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation that six of six infants were sleeping in cribs with blankets on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will take all steps necessary to provide a safe sleep environment for infants as listed in these rules; will train Staff to follow these rules; and will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 10/18/2017

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/17/2008	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 09/17/2013	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 04/24/2017	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 11/05/2010	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/17/2008	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

Correction Deadline: 3/7/2017

Corrected on 10/18/2017

.09(1)(e) - Observed all staff to have fingerprints on this date.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.31(2)(a) requires the Center to ensure there is a designated teacher/lead caregiver for each group of children. It was determined based on observation that one classroom did not have a designated lead, classroom B.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will designate a qualified lead staff for this group.

Correction Deadline: 10/18/2017

Staffing and Supervision

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

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Discuss-Prompt Response-Bath/Playground