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Date: 5/7/2019 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 12:35 PM **Departure:** 2:30 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
05/07/2019	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
05/07/2019	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
02/27/2019	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
Main	A-infant	Infants and One Year Olds	3	7	C	8	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Feeding,Nap,Floor Play
Main	B-1-2 years	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	12	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Nap
Main	C-2 1/2 years	Two Year Olds	2	18	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap,Transitioning
Main	D-3-4 years	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	25	C	41	C	NA	NA	Nap,Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 85						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 62			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 85			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	44	C

Comments

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Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/07/2019

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, <http://www.decgal.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@decgal.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://decgal.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).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decgal.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@decgal.ga.gov

Austin Lipski, Program Official

Date

Kesha McNeal, Consultant

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Findings Report

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

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.08(6) requires the Center to maintain records of a child's daily arrival and departure for the twelve (12) preceding months that the Parent or person(s) authorized by the Parent documents, in written or electronic format, each time the Parent or authorized person drops off and picks up the child. The documentation shall include at least the date, the child's name, the arrival and departure times, and the signature or initials of the Parent or authorized person at the time of arrival and departure. These records shall be made available to the Department in printed or written form upon request. It was determined based on the consultant's review that eight out of twelve children were signed in for the one year old classroom, ten out of twenty-five children were signed in the three and four year old classroom, three out of eighteen children were signed in the two year old classroom, and no children were signed in the infant classroom on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will maintain arrival and departure records as required, will ensure the documentation includes all of the required information, and will provide the records to the Department when requested.

Correction Deadline: 5/7/2019

Recited on 5/7/2019

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/27/2019

Corrected on 5/7/2019

.17(7) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Correction Deadline: 5/7/2019**Corrected on 5/7/2019****.30(1)(a)2 - Previous citation observed corrected on this date the center has ordered new crib sheets.**

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 10**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 06/10/2014	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 05/19/2016	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 01/15/2019	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 06/10/2014	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 09/02/2014	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 11/10/2018	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 02/16/2017	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 12/26/2018	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 04/26/2018	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 03/02/2018	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10

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Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2019

Corrected on 5/7/2019

.33(3) - Previous citation observed corrected on this date.

Defer

591-1-1-.33(6)- Annual training will be reviewed at the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2019