



**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:** 12/4/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

**Arrival:** 10:00 AM

**Departure:** 11:30 AM

**CCLC-39193**

**My Little Darlings Child Care**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
12/04/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/30/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/19/2016	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	One	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	4	15	C	17	C	NA	NA	Centers,Free Play,Nap,Feeding
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 17			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 15			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 17			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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**Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/04/2017

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).



**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.

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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@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.

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**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)

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Lisa Flowers, Program Official

Date

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Sondra Paster, Consultant

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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**

The consultant observed no unsecured or hazardous equipment on this date.

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

**N/A**

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

#### Facility

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be met on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

**Not Met**

**Technical Assistance**

The consultant discussed with the director that leaves on the outdoor play area should be monitored to ensure no excessive build up of leaves which could cause a potential tripping hazard.

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the tractor in the right corner of the playground had chipping paint on the green barrel and the yellow steering wheel. Chipping paint was observed on the red ring of the open ring slide. In addition several exposed tree roots was observed near the four seat bouncer. It was determined based on observation that the wooden jungle gym's top step on the ladder leading up the equipment was observed to be broken. The consultant further observed two lower steps on the wooden jungle gym to be missing on the backside ladder.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will have the equipment repaired or removed from the outdoor play area. The center will refrain from using the equipment until repairs have been completed.

**Correction Deadline: 12/8/2017**

**Recited on 12/4/2017**

**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)**

**N/A**

**Comment**

The director stated that medication is not given at the center.

**Policies and Procedures**

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

**Technical Assistance**

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The consultant discussed the center's emergency plan requirements on this date. The director was emailed the templates and all information from the Bright from the Start website on this date. The director will ensure that the center's emergency plan reflects the required changes.

**Correction Deadline: 12/9/2017**

**Safety**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

**Comment**

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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

N/A

**Comment**

No Routine Transportation Provided

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

Met

**Comment**

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

**Correction Deadline: 4/7/2017****Corrected on 12/4/2017****The consultant observed tight-fitting crib sheets on this date.****Staff Records****Records Reviewed: 4****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 01/03/2017

**Records Reviewed: 4****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 02/06/2015

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 08/13/2013

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 01/05/2016

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4****591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)**

Technical Assistance

**Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

**Comment**

No new hires

**Technical Assistance**

The director was informed that a fingerprint background determination for any staff that had fingerprints completed before January 1, 2014 must obtain an updated fingerprint determination by October 1, 2018. The director was further informed that all staff must have a comprehensive background check determination on file no later than October 1, 2018.

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

Met

**Comment**

Staff observed to meet applicable laws and regulations on this date.

**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