



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 11/8/2017    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 9:45 AM    **Departure:** 11:10 AM

**CCLC-39298**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<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.
11/08/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/03/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/24/2016	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	Room A - 6wk to 7 yr olds	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 15						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 8			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 15			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				


Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Area A - 6wk to 7 yr olds	46	C

**Comments**

Requested all staff files on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

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).

	<p><b>Reminder:</b> All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before <b>January 1, 2017</b>. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <a href="http://www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.</p>
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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@decals.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@decals.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://decals.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.decals.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@decals.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@decals.ga.gov)

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Stephanie Holloway, Program Official

Date

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Leah Klatzker, 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**

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-Center Clean/Well Maintained

**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**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

**Comment**

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

**Comment**

Per Director, no medications are dispensed.

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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

**Correction Deadline: 2/4/2017**

**Corrected on 11/8/2017**

.30(1)(b)3 - Previous citation corrected.

**Correction Deadline: 2/4/2017**

**Corrected on 11/8/2017**

.30(2)(b) - Previous citation corrected.

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**Staff Records**

**Records Reviewed: 3**

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

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Staff # 1	Met
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Staff # 2	Met
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Staff # 3	Met
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Date of Hire: 06/01/2012

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**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3**

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591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) Met

**Correction Deadline: 2/3/2017**

**Corrected on 11/8/2017**

.09(1)(e) - Observed all staff to have satisfactory records check determinations on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 2/3/2017**

**Corrected on 11/8/2017**

.09(1)(g) - Observed all staff to have satisfactory records check determinations on this date.

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**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on a review of records that one of two staff did not have a current training as required.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

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

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety training at the time of employment that will count toward required annual training: Staff employed prior to September 30, 2016 will complete the training by December 29, 2016 and Staff employed after September 30, 2016 will complete the health and safety training within the first 90 days of employment. It was determined based on a review of records that two of two staff did not obtain their training as required.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates.

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

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

Lead staff education requirements

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 2/3/2017****Corrected on 11/8/2017****.32(3)(a) - Observed appropriate ratios on this date.**

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

Observed-Adequate Supervision