



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 11/27/2018 **VisitType:** Follow-Up

**Arrival:** 9:30 AM

**Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-46758**

**Mini Miracles Daycare**

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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.
11/27/2018	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
11/27/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
09/20/2018	Monitoring Visit	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- 1L/1's and 2's	Infants and One Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Nap, Floor Play
Main	B- Middle - 3 and up		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	C- 1R - 6wks to 18 months		0	0	C	5	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 7			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 25			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- Left - 2 and up	72	C
Main	B- Right/6wks- 18 months	19	C

**Comments**

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a complaint investigation and follow up on previous rule violations.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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@dec.state.ga.us](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us).

- 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://www.dec.state.ga.us/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.dec.state.ga.us/>  
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.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

Erica Brown, Program Official

Date

Stacy Whitten, Consultant

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### Findings Report

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

### Facility

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

**Technical Assistance**

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591-1-1-.25(12) - Consultant discussed with the provider to ensure space heaters are protected to prevent children from touching them. Fans, space heaters, etc. shall be positioned or installed so as to be inaccessible to the children.

**Correction Deadline: 11/27/2018**

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

**Defer**

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591-1-1-.26(4)- This citation will be deferred until the next visit as provider is in the process of extending the height of the fencing on the playground to ensure it is at least four feet high.

**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: 9/20/2018**

### Health and Hygiene

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 4/25/2018**

**Corrected on 11/27/2018**

.10(4) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed diaper pads to be non porous and smooth on this date.

### Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Technical Assistance****Comment**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)3 - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure all children have sheets and covers for nap time.

**Correction Deadline: 11/27/2018**

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**Records Reviewed: 3****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 04/25/2018

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2018

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 11/06/2018

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3**

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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 9/20/2018****Corrected on 11/27/2018****.09(1)(i) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed all staff to have satisfactory records check determination letters on this date.**

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**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR****Met****Correction Deadline: 10/20/2018****Corrected on 11/27/2018****.14(2) - Correction of the previous citation in that consultant observed the provider to have evidence of completing the required CPR and First Aid training on this date.**

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training****Met****Comment**

Please ensure completed orientation checklists are documented and signed.

**Comment**

Discussed: Health and Safety Training is required for each staff member with direct care responsibilities within 90 calendar days of their hire date.