



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 2/2/2021    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 12:00 PM    **Departure:** 2:00 PM

**CCLC-49963**

**Brinkley's Day Care Center**

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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.
02/02/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/03/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/18/2019	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-1R/ 6wk-18mth		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	B-2R/ 1's & 2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Story
Main	C-1L/3 and up	Three Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	11	C	22	C	30	C	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 45						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 53				
Total # Children this Date: 22			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 45			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 53				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A- 6wk-2 year	10	C
Main	Playground B- 3 and up	74	C

**Comments**

An Administrative review was conducted on February 2, 2021. Staff files, children records, trainings and criminal record checks. A virtual visit was conducted with the Director on February 3, 2021. An in person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued August 15, 2021.

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.decal.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@decal.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@decal.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://decal.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.decal.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@decal.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov)

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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-.03 Activities**

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Age appropriate activities and lesson plans were discussed.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

**591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)**

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Cleaning and disinfecting of toys and equipment were discussed.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

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

**Not Evaluated**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

### Children's Records

**Records Reviewed: 4**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Child # 1

Met

Child # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing

Child # 3 Met

Child # 4 Met

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure the children records has addresses listed for release person(s).

**Correction Deadline: 2/2/2021**

**Facility**

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**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be dully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Cleaning and disinfecting of restrooms were discussed.

**Correction Deadline: 2/3/2021**

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be dully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Licensing Capacity requirements discussed.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be dully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Keeping hazards inaccessible to children in care.

**Correction Deadline: 2/3/2021**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

**Correction Deadline: 9/28/2019**

**Corrected on 2/2/2021**

.26(7) - Ciation corrected.

**Correction Deadline: 9/25/2019**

**Corrected on 2/2/2021**

.26(8) - Citation observed to be corrected.

**Food Service**

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**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure the new updated infant feeding form is used. Discussed revision to the written feeding plans for children under the age of 1 years old. Age-appropriate solid foods (including cereal) shall not be given to infants or children less than one (1) year of age until recommended as developmentally appropriate by the child's primary care physician and indicated in writing by the Parent(s). As soon as the feeding plan indicates that a child is ready for solid foods, the child shall be fed from individual spoons and individual containers or dishes. A child shall not be fed directly from the original baby food container if the contents are to be fed to the child at more than one (1) meal or to more than one (1) child.

Discussed new revision to restricted food rule which states: Foods that are associated with young children's choking incidents, such as, but not limited to, peanuts, hot dogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, cheese cubes, grapes and any other food that is of similar shape and size of the trachea/windpipe shall not be served to the children less than four (4) years of age. Children older than four (4) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

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**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Consultant discussed cleaning of surfaces and food storage. Kitchen observed during the virtual walk through.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

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<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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**591-1-1-.07 Children's Health****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed infant choking hazards with the Director on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021****Correction Deadline: 9/18/2019****Corrected on 2/2/2021**

**.07(5) - Citation corrected. Consultant discussed infant choking hazards with the Director on this date.**

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

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Handwashing requirements were discussed during the virtual walk through.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

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**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted on this date due to the COVID-1 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Diapering requirements were discussed with the Director on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

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**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)****Not Evaluated****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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**Policies and Procedures**

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**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures****Met****Correction Deadline: 9/30/2019****Corrected on 2/2/2021****.21(3) - Citation corrected.**

**Consultant discussed to talk with child and staff about the procedures monthly even though the drills are suspended at this time.**

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**591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

New required reporting requirements discussed with the Director.

**Correction Deadline: 2/3/2021**

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**Safety**

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

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding discipline were discussed.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

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**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****Not Evaluated****Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Discussed safe sleep requirements, hazards and cleaning of mat/cots and sheets.

**Correction Deadline: 1/14/2021****Correction Deadline: 9/18/2019****Corrected on 2/2/2021****.30(1)(a)3 - Citation corrected.**

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2019

Corrected on 2/2/2021  
.30(2)(c) - Citation corrected.

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**Records Reviewed: 6**

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

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Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 11/09/2000	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 05/30/2017	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 09/03/2018	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 10/26/1988	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 02/13/1978	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 01/12/1999	

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**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10**

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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

All current staff listed on the "staff list" proved by the center have a satisfactory criminal record check.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

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**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR** **Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure the director has current first aid and CPR.

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training** **Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure the Director and cook have the food service training the meets the following requirements:  
requires within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage

**Correction Deadline: 3/4/2021**

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

**Technical Assistance**

Cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed. The center was in compliance with the Executive Order issued August 15, 2020.

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

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Ratio guidelines were discussed.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**

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**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Discussed new revision to the supervision rule which states: Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2021**