

# 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:** 2/5/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 12:20 PM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

CCLC-52388 Regional Consultant

## **Successful Beginnings Childcare Center**

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**Quality Rated: No** 

				<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				
02/0	05/2021	Monitoring Visit		standing, suppor				
09/0	09/2020	Initial Licensing Study			<ul> <li>Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>			
08/2	21/2020	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing		<ul> <li>Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.</li> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting</li> </ul>			
					the rules.			

#### 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	Infants and One Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	5	С	3	NC	NA	NA	Nap
Main	В	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	4	С	8	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	С	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	С	8	С	NA	NA	Homework,Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 19	9		Total Capacity @25 sq. Building @35 capacity Building Department					
Total # Children this Date: 16		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 19		Total Capacity @25 sq.						

Total # Children this Date: 16 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 19 Total Capacity @25 ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	44	C

# Comments

This is the first regulatory visit of the fiscal year.

The center does not currently dispense medication, provide routine transportation, field trips, or swimming activities.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/05/2021

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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.

- 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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a> Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

Erika McGee, Program Official	Date	Chrissy Miller, Consultant	Date



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# The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

# Activities and Equipment 591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR) Comment

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

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

nming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Met

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

# **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(6) - 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. The consultant discussed with the Director about not allowing the children in the sand box until the green covering is repaired or replaced and the wooden seat is tightened. There were no children present on the playground during the visit.

Correction Deadline: 2/15/2021

**Health and Hygiene** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

N/A

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

# 591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

#### Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

## **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(1)(d) - To reduce the transfer of airborne diseases, sleeping and resting equipment shall be arranged as follows. There shall be a minimum of twenty-four inch (24") corridor between each row of sleeping or resting equipment. There shall be a minimum of twelve inches (12") between each piece of sleeping or resting equipment in each row of equipment. Children shall be placed on cots and mats so that one child's head is toward another child's feet in the same row.

Correction Deadline: 2/5/2021

Staff Records

Met

#### **Records Reviewed: 6**

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

Staff # 1

Date of Hire: 08/21/2020

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 08/21/2020

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 08/21/2020

Records Reviewed: 6 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 08/21/2020

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 08/21/2020

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 08/21/2020

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a visit at the center on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on August 15, 2020.

# **Staffing and Supervision**

# 591-1-1-.32 Staff: Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

#### 591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.