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Date: 9/18/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 12:30 PM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-646

New Beginning Child Development Center II

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

| Compliance Zone Designation | | |
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| 09/18/2018 | Licensing Study | Good Standing |
| 05/21/2018 | Licensing Study | Good Standing |
| 04/25/2018 | Complaint Closure | Good Standing |

Compliance Zone Designation - 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.

Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.

Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting 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 | |
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| Main | A - 1st Rt | PreK | 1 | 21 | C | 22 | C | NA | NA | Nap | |
| Main | B - 2nd Rt | One Year Olds | 1 | 7 | C | 10 | C | NA | NA | Nap | |
| Main | C - 1st Lt | Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds | 1 | 15 | C | 17 | C | NA | NA | Nap | |
| Main | D - 1st Lt - long hall | Infants and One Year Olds | 2 | 11 | C | 12 | C | NA | NA | Floor Play, Nap | |
| Main | E - 2nd Lt - Left | Two Year Olds | 1 | 9 | C | 13 | C | NA | NA | Nap | |
| Main | E - 2nd Lt - Right | Two Year Olds | 1 | 8 | C | 14 | C | NA | NA | Nap | |
| Main | Reading | | 0 | 0 | C | 4 | C | NA | NA | | |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | 92 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | | 0 | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 71 | | | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: | | | 0 | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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| Main | Plyground | 39 | C |

Comments

Please ensure all staff have completed the comprehensive background check prior to October 1, 2018.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/18/2018

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.

- 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

Zawanda Smith, Program Official

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-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR) **Met**

Comment

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

591-1-1-.35 Swimming 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) **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the resilient surfacing under the swings measure approximately two inches in depth. Six inches of mulch is required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2018

Correction Deadline: 5/21/2018

Corrected on 9/18/2018

.26(9) - Previous citation corrected. Consultant observed the lawn to be maintain.

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| Health and Hygiene |
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591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/21/2018

Corrected on 9/18/2018

.10(1) - Previous citation corrected.

Correction Deadline: 5/21/2018

Corrected on 9/18/2018

.10(4) - Previous citation corrected.

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

Met

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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| Safety |
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591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

Comment

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

Not Met

Comment

Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director.

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2. requires that the driver or other designated person shall immediately document in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist each time a child enters and exits the vehicle. The driver or other designated staff person shall document in writing with a different mark/symbol to account for each child listed on the passenger transportation checklist who was not present on the vehicle for any reason. An explanation shall be documented in writing whenever a child is transported to a field trip site but is not present on the return trip to the Center. It was determined based on documentation reviewed that load and unload was not documented for routine school transportation on August 24, 2018 to Burgess Peterson Elementary school.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The driver/other designated person will immediately document in writing with a check/mark/symbol each time a child gets on and off the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 9/19/2018

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)3. requires that the driver or other designated person document in writing the time of arrival and departure each time the vehicle departs from the Center, is loaded or unloaded at each school and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle departs from the Center, arrives at the location where any child is picked up or dropped off and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle leaves the Center, arrives at a field trip destination, leaves a field trip destination, and returns to the Center. It was determined based on documentation reviewed that the arrival and departure time was not documented for routine school transportation on August 24, 2018 to Burgess Peterson Elementary school.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that each time of arrival and departure is documented by the driver or designated person with training, review and monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 9/19/2018

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)1. requires that the first check be conducted immediately upon unloading the last child at any location including, but not limited to, a field trip destination, arrival at the Center, and the last stop during transportation to home or school. The responsible person on the vehicle shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; sign the passenger transportation checklist (s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle; and give the passenger transportation checklist(s) to the second designated Staff person. It was determined based on documentation reviewed that a first check was not documented for routine school transportation on August 24, 2018 to Burgess Peterson Elementary school.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 9/19/2018

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2. requires that the second designated Staff person conduct a check of the vehicle immediately upon the completion of the first check of the vehicle. The responsible person shall physically walk through the entire vehicle; visually inspect all seat surfaces, under all seats and in all compartments or recesses in the vehicle's interior; and sign the passenger transportation checklist(s), indicating all of the children have exited the vehicle. There shall be continuous watchful oversight of the vehicle between the first check and second check. It was determined based on documentation reviewed that a second check was not documented for routine school transportation on August 24, 2018 to Burgess Peterson Elementary school.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2018

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 - Please ensure all crib sheets are tight fitting.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2018

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2)(c) requires that infants shall not sleep in equipment other than safety-approved cribs, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the Center asleep or fall asleep in such equipment, on the floor or elsewhere, shall be transferred to a safety-approved crib. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that an infant was observed sleeping on the floor on top of a boppy pillow on his side.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will only place infants in safe cribs to sleep and will transfer them to a safe crib when the infants are asleep in other equipment.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2018

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 13

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: 09/06/2005 | |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 03/02/2016 | |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/14/2017 | |
| Staff # 5 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/10/2018 | |
| Staff # 6 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 07/31/2015 | |
| Staff # 7 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/16/2013 | |
| Staff # 8 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/24/2011 | |
| Staff # 9 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 06/03/2014 | |
| Staff # 10 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 03/12/2012 | |
| Staff # 11 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 09/28/2010 | |
| Staff # 12 | Met |

Records Reviewed: 13

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Date of Hire: 02/02/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 13

Met

Date of Hire: 10/03/1994

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 13

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

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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| Staffing and Supervision |
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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**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.