



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 2/9/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 11:00 AM

CCLC-676

Norcross Human Services Cluster

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
02/09/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/16/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing
01/07/2020	Monitoring Visit	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
Main	A-6R		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	B- 5R	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C- 4R	Four Year Olds	3	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D- 3R	Three Year Olds	2	8	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	E- 2R		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F- 1R		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	G- 1L		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	H- 2L	PreK	2	17	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	J- 3L		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	K- 4L		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 204						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 54			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 204			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground - Main	170	C

Comments

Background checks were all reviewed on February 5, 2021. A virtual inspection was conducted on February 9, 2021 with the director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on December 14, 2020 was reviewed during the virtual inspection.

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/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@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://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

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Date

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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**

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

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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**

Discussed movement of children to maintain capacities.

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.

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15(7) - Discussed new revision as of October 1, 2020, 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: 2/9/2021

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

No children enrolled who require diapering. Staff stated proper knowledge.

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

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center. Staff stated proper knowledge of hand washing and hygiene procedures for staff and children during virtual visit.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.22 Parental Access **Met**

Comment

591-1-1-.22 - Parental access requirements are met per current COVID-19 guidelines.

Correction Deadline: 2/9/2021

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting **Met**

Comment

Discussed reporting requirements.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR) **Met**

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date. Staff stated proper discipline procedures during the virtual visit.

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

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 14****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 05/14/2008	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 09/03/2020	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 07/24/2017	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/03/2020	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2006	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 03/31/2014	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 11/26/2018	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 09/05/2013	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/15/2018	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 11/20/2020	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 03/14/2019	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 08/13/2013	
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 08/06/2019	

Staff # 14

Met

Date of Hire: 11/27/2018

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10

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

Met

Comment

The director provided one file for staff member hired since the previous visit was conducted on September 16, 2020. The consultant observed one of one newly hired staff members to have evidence of a satisfactory criminal record check letter on file.

Correction Deadline: 9/16/2020

Corrected on 2/9/2021

.09(1)(a) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed all staff members to have evidence of a satisfactory comprehensive record check determination letter.

Correction Deadline: 9/16/2020

Corrected on 2/9/2021

.09(1)(c) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed all staff members to have evidence of a satisfactory comprehensive record check determination letter.

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

Met

Comment

Criminal records 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 virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on December 14, 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)

Technical Assistance

Comment

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32(7) - Discussed new revision as of October 1, 2020, 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: 2/9/2021