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Date: 1/31/2019 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 8:55 AM **Departure:** 1:40 PM

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
01/31/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/13/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
07/11/2018	Complaint Investigation & 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-1R	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	10	C	11	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	B-2R	Infants	1	6	C	6	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C-3R	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	9	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D-Far Right		0	0	C	20	C	28	C	
Main	E- Front Left	PreK	2	16	C	25	C	35	C	Centers
Main	F-Back Left	Three Year Olds	1	10	C	14	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 85			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 103							
Total # Children this Date: 50			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 85							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 103							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground-Infant/toddler	5	C
Main	Playground-prschoo-S/A	72	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to complete a licensing study and to follow up to the previous visit conducted on July 11, 2018.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/31/2019

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/RuleAndRegulations.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

Judy Medlin, 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)

Not Met

Comment

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

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) - requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that paint is beginning to chip and flake off of the wall around the toilet as you enter the bathroom from the toddler room (A-1R).

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children. Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that the wall is clean and in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2019

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met

Child # 5

Met

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.08(1)(b) requires Center Staff to maintain a file for each child that includes parental authorizations, including, but not limited to, written authorization for the Center to obtain emergency medical care for the child when the Parent is not available. It was determined based on a review of records that two children's files were missing the emergency medical agreement form.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and follow a system to place and maintain all types of parental authorizations in these files.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2019**Facility****591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms****Met****Comment**

Please monitor bathrooms for necessary supplies.

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**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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. Consultant discussed with provider that several pieces of playground equipment were beginning to have paint flake off and showing signs of rust.

Correction Deadline: 2/10/2019**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(9) Consultant discussed with monitoring the playground equipment for chipped paint and rust with the director on this date.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2019**Food Service****591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met**

Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk
 5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk
 2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

DECAL

<http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx>

USDA

<http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks>

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures	Not Met
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Finding

591-1-1-.21(3) requires that the Center conduct drills for fire, tornado and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Center shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined based on a review of records that there was no evidence of a fire drill conducted since July 2018. It was further determined based on a review of records that the center completed one tornado drill for the year 2018. Consultant observed the center to have completed one tornado drill during February 2018.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hold the drills as required and keep the documentation of the drills on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 2/5/2019

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices	Met
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Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

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

Discussed reporting requirements.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals	Met
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Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

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

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

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	Technical Assistance
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Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(6) - Consultant discussed with provider to ensure that all parts of the parental authorization are filled out completely by the parent or guardian.

Correction Deadline: 2/1/2019

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)	Met
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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: 9

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3
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Staff # 1	Met
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Date of Hire: 08/23/2013

Staff # 2	Not Met
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Date of Hire: 09/25/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 3	Not Met
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Date of Hire: 02/01/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 4	Met
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Date of Hire: 08/20/2018

Staff # 5	Met
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Date of Hire: 12/01/1986

Records Reviewed: 9**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3**

Staff # 6 Met
Date of Hire: 03/22/2018

Staff # 7 Not Met
Date of Hire: 08/04/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 8 Met
Date of Hire: 03/20/2018

Staff # 9 Met
Date of Hire: 09/12/2011

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided one file(s) for employees hired since last visit. The staff member had evidence of a satisfactory criminal background check letter.

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

591-1-1-.14(3) - Consultant discussed monitoring the expiration dates of all items stored in the vehicle's first aid kit with the director on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/10/2019

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Not Met**Finding**

591-1-1-.33(6) requires, in the first year of employment and then by calendar year thereafter, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers to attend ten (10) clock hours of training which is task-focused in early childhood education or child development or subjects relating to job assignment and is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. It was determined based on a review of staff files one of nine staff members did not complete the required 10 hours of annual training for the year 2018.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 3/2/2019

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.32 - Discussed combining children of mixed ages with the director on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.32(4) requires that children under three years old be housed in separate physical areas from older children and cannot be mixed with older children except at specified times and circumstances. It was determined based on observation and a review of children's files that children under three-years-old were housed with children over three-years-old.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will maintain separation of these children under three years old.

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2019

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.