



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/4/2019 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 1:50 PM

CCLC-771

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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.
09/04/2019	Monitoring Visit	Support	
05/14/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/17/2018	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
1	A	Two Year Olds	1	13	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch
1	B	Infants	2	9	C	10	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play, Nap
1	C	One Year Olds	1	5	C	9	C	NA	NA	Nap, Transitioning
1	D	Three Year Olds	1	13	C	17	C	24	C	Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 54			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 78							
2	PreK Mobile	PreK	2	15	C	24	C	31	C	Transitioning, Circle Time, Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 24			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 78							
Total # Children this Date: 55			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 78			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 78				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Comments

The purpose of today's visit is a monitoring visit and a follow up for any previous rule citations. The center does provide transportation.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 09/13/2019

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

Vicki Miller, Program Official

Date

Beth Houtz, Consultant

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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-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/28/2019

Corrected on 9/4/2019

.03(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Lesson plans were posted.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/21/2019

Corrected on 9/4/2019

.12(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The chair and sofa have been recovered.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/18/2018

Corrected on 9/4/2019

.08(6) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. If parent's do not sign their child in the staff signs the child in and has the parent sign at pick up.

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****Correction Deadline: 5/14/2019****Corrected on 9/4/2019**

.25(13) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. No hazards were observed to be accessible to children in care.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. 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. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that two tricycles were missing pedals, a plastic dump truck was broken and cracked, and the blue climber had chipping paint and rust.

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Correction Deadline: 9/14/2019**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the following playground hazards were observed:

- A twelve (12) inch gap was observed on the middle of bottom skirting back side of the Pre-K building leaving the crawl space under the building accessible to the children in care.
 - A twenty-four (24) inch gap was observed on the right hand side bottom skirting back side of the Pre-K building leaving the crawl space under the building accessible to the children in care.
 - A 111 inch (9 foot) gap was observed on the left hand side of the bottom skirting back side of the Pre-K building leaving the crawl space under the building accessible to the children in care.
 - There was standing water under the A.C. Unit of the Pre-K building accessible to children in care.
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Correction Deadline: 10/4/2019**Recited on 9/4/2019**

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 5/14/2019****Corrected on 9/4/2019****.10(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Proper diapering procedures were observed.**

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 5/14/2019****Corrected on 9/4/2019****.17(7) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Proper handwashing procedures were observed.****Correction Deadline: 5/14/2019****Corrected on 9/4/2019****.17(8) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Proper handwashing procedures were observed.**

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

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

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

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

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Finding

591-1-1-.36(6) requires written Parental authorization for routine transportation provided by or on behalf of the Center. Written authorization must include the routine pick-up location, routine pick-up time, routine delivery location, routine delivery times and the name of any person authorized to receive the child. It was determined based on a review of records that only 27 of the 38 children being transported had written authorization to be transported from their school to the center.

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Correction Deadline: 9/5/2019

Finding

591-1-1-.36(7)(b) requires that an emergency medical information record be maintained in the vehicle for each child being transported. The emergency medical information record for each child shall include a listing of the child's full name, date of birth, allergies, special medical needs and conditions, current prescribed medications that the child is required to take on a daily basis for a chronic condition, the name and telephone number of the child's doctor, the local medical facility that the Center uses in the area where the Center is located and the telephone numbers where the Parents can be reached. It was determined based on a review of records that four of five records reviewed did not have the physician's phone number, three of five records did not have contact information for parents or the emergency pick up persons, and three of five records did not have information about the child's allergies, special medical needs and conditions, current prescribed medications that the child is required to take on a daily basis for a chronic condition as required.

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Correction Deadline: 9/5/2019

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Correction Deadline: 5/14/2019

Corrected on 9/4/2019

.36(7)(c)2. - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All children were accounted for loading and unloading on the transportation checklist.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a) requires a crib that is safety approved in compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards be provided for each infant. It was determined based on observation that there were nine infants in the infant classroom and only eight cribs. Staff stated that an eleven month old child was placed on a rest mat on the floor for nap and not in a crib as required.

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Correction Deadline: 9/14/2019

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)2 requires that a crib mattress is firm, tight-fitting without gaps, at least 2 inches thick and covered with a waterproof, washable material. Before a change of occupant, each mattress shall be cleaned with a disinfectant. It was determined based on observation that six of eight crib mattresses had tears in the vinyl covering that exposed the foam inside and prevented the mattresses from being waterproof and washable as required.

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Correction Deadline: 9/4/2019

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Corrected on 9/4/2019

.30(1)(a)3 - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The sheets were tight fitting but the consultant did discuss with the center about changing crib sheets more often than daily if they are dirty.

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2) requires the Center to provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants. Center Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant's back in a crib unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant's back but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred position and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer's guidelines and will not slide up around the infant's face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant. Swaddling shall not be used unless the Center has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Center Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant, such as, but not limited to, crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation that an infant was in a crib for nap time and had a bib on around their neck and a pacifier attached to their clothes.

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Correction Deadline: 9/4/2019

Recited on 9/4/2019

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/18/2016	
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 10/01/2013	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/04/2008	
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6	Met
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 11/18/2016	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR	Met
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Correction Deadline: 6/13/2019

Corrected on 9/4/2019

.14(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training	Met
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Correction Deadline: 6/13/2019

Corrected on 9/4/2019

.33(3) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/13/2019

Corrected on 9/4/2019

.33(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/14/2019

Corrected on 9/4/2019

.32(1) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All classrooms met the appropriate ratio.

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

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.