



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 9/27/2019 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up

**Arrival:** 11:30 AM

**Departure:** 1:45 PM

**CCLC-771**

**Lollipop Childrens Center**

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**Quality Rated:** ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<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 standing, support, and deficient.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
09/27/2019	POI Follow Up	Support	
09/04/2019	Monitoring Visit	Support	
05/14/2019	Licensing Study	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	2	18	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning
1	B	Infants	2	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap, Feeding
1	C	One Year Olds	1	7	C	9	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch
1	D	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	17	C	24	C	Nap, Lunch, Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 54			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 78							
2	PreK Mobile	PreK	2	11	C	24	C	31	C	Music
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 24			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 78							
Total # Children this Date: 54			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 plan of improvement follow up visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/27/2019

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.

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#### 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](mailto: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.

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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](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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Vicki Miller, Program Official

Date

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Beth Houtz, Consultant

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

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

**Defer**

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

**Corrected on 9/27/2019**

**.26(6) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All equipment hazards have been removed.**

**Defer**

591-1-1-.26(9)- This citation is deferred until the next visit. The director obtained the skirting materials to fix the gaps around the bottom of Building 2 on September 18, 2019 and had contracted with a maintenance personnel to install the skirting on September 21-22, 2019 but due to unforeseen circumstances the maintenance personnel was unable to install the skirting on the original date and is now scheduled to complete the work on September 28-29, 2019. The owner will send the consultant pictures of the completed work on September 30, 2019.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

**Correction Deadline: 10/4/2019**

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

**Not Met**

**Correction Deadline: 9/5/2019**

**Corrected on 9/27/2019**

**.36(6) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The center will continue to monitor and update forms as needed.**

**Correction Deadline: 9/5/2019**

**Corrected on 9/27/2019**

**.36(7)(b) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The center will continue to monitor and update forms as needed.**

**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 a review of records that on the transportation checklists dated September 23 -27, 2019, the load and unload check marks for Friday, September 27, 2019, were already prepopulated on the checklists and not completed during the actual loading and unloading of the vehicle. The consultant observed the signatures at 1:00 P.M., an hour and a half before the afternoon pick up occurred.

**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: 9/28/2019**

**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 a review of records that on the transportation checklists for September 23 -27, 2019 on Friday, September 27, 2019 the arrival and departure times for the P.M route on all three checklists were already prepopulated and not documented during pick-up as required. The consultant observed the signatures at 1:00 P.M. an hour and a half before afternoon pick up.

**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: 9/28/2019**

**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 a review of records that on the transportation checklists for September 23 -27, 2019 on Friday, September 27, 2019 the first check signatures for the P.M route on all three checklists were already prepopulated and not done after children unloaded as required. The consultant observed the signatures at 1:00 P.M. an hour and a half before afternoon pick up.

**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: 9/28/2019**

**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 a review of records that on the transportation checklists for September 23 -27, 2019 on Friday, September 27, 2019 the second check signatures for the P.M route on all three checklists were already prepopulated and not done after check of the vehicle as required. The consultant observed the signatures at 1:00 P.M. an hour and a half before afternoon pick up.

**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: 9/27/2019**

<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**

**Not Met**

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

**Corrected on 9/27/2019**

**.30(1)(a) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. There were seven infants and eight cribs. The center has also ordered two extra cribs.**

**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.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center taped the torn mattresses with waterproof tape and ordered new mattresses during the visit.

**Correction Deadline: 10/11/2019**

**Recited on 9/27/2019**

**Correction Deadline: 9/4/2019**

**Corrected on 9/27/2019**

**.30(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed a safe sleep environment in the infant classroom.**