

# Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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# CCLC-310

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# **Quality Rated:**



<u>Comp</u>	oliance Zone Desig		<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			
03/28/2023	Licensing Study		standing, support			
01/12/2023	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	Good Standing -	Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.		
12/01/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	Support -	Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.		
			Deficient -	<ul> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>		

# Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.		25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	Building 1 - 1st Right	GA PreK	2	16	С	18	С	NA	NA	Transitioning,Mu sic,Story
Main	Building 1 - 2nd Right	GA PreK	2	15	С	27	С	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Building 2 - 1st Left	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	6	С	20	С	NA	NA	Floor Play,TV,Feeding
Main	Building 2 - 2nd Left	One Year Olds	1	8	С	24	С	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Building 2 - 3rd Left	Three Year Olds	1	9	С	27	С	NA	NA	Free Play,Centers
Main	Building 2 - 4th Left		0	0	С	28	С	NA	NA	
Main	Building 2 - Back Room	Six Year Olds and Over	1	11	С	35	С	NA	NA	Story,Transitioni
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	179		Total C ft.: 0	Capacity @	25 sq.	•		
Total # Children this Date: 65		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 179			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	112	

# **Comments**

Plan developed on this date.

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA www.decalkoala.com with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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 Quality Rated/CAPS Update:**

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

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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-.03 Activities Not Met

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.03(13) - Please ensure that Center Staff to develop a daily schedule for each group to reflect routines and activities that is flexible but routinely followed to provide structure. The schedule must be posted in each group's room or area.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

# **Finding**

591-1-1-.03(2) requires the Center to keep current lesson plans on site that reflect appropriate instruction practices and activities to support children's development The Center shall have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the above program of activities in all developmental areas. It was determined based on a review of documents that four classroom were missing current lesson plans.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will keep current lesson plans on site that include appropriate instruction practices and activities and will have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the activities.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

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

Not Met

#### Comment

Discussed adding equipment and toys to enhance variety.

#### **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 the following hazards were observed:

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- -1st Right easel is missing a wheel
- -3rd Left Red and Green sofas in the reading area have tears

#### **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are used by the age-appropriate group of children.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

# 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: 1** 

Child # 1 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(2)-Immunization

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.08(2) - Please ensure that requires Center Staff to maintain a file for each child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations for each child enrolled in the center on a form approved by the Department, and to allow no child to continue enrollment in the Center for more than thirty (30) days without such evidence.

Correction Deadline: 4/7/2023

**Facility** 

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms Technical Assistance

Comment

Please monitor bathrooms for necessary supplies.

# **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.06(5) - Please ensure Center Staff to provide platforms or sets of steps at the toilets and sinks to assist children who are unable to use the fixtures comfortably when child-size fixtures are not provided.

Correction Deadline: 4/7/2023

# 591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Discussed movement of children to maintain capacities.

#### 591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

#### Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(3) - Please ensure that the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center.

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Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

# 591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

**Food Service** 

#### 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

Please ensure that bottles are covered and fully labeled with child's full name.

#### Finding

591-1-1-.15(3) requires baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. It was determined based on observation that in the 1st Left Infant and Ones classroom the bottles and cups were not refrigerated and stored in children's personal bags. Furthermore, a staff member stated that they prepared bottles using powdered Enfamil formula.

#### **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to follow the required procedures, ensure that parents are fully informed, and will review and monitor regularly.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

#### 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Please ensure that all food items are stored in airtight containers.

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.18(5) - Please ensure that the refrigeration of all perishable and potentially hazardous foods at 40 degrees Fahrenheit or below and served promptly after cooking. Freezer temperature shall be maintained at zero (0) degrees Fahrenheit or below. All refrigerators must have thermometer and or thermostat.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

**Health and Hygiene** 

# 591-1-1.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Not Met

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that in the 1st Right Infant room the changing pad had tears.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

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Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.17(8) requires staff to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for the day, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after diapering each child, dispensing medication, applying topical medications, handling and preparing food, eating, drinking, preparing bottles, feeding each child, assisting children with eating and drinking, after toileting or assisting children with toileting, using tobacco products, handling garbage and organic waste, touching animals or pets, handling bodily fluids and after contamination by any means. It was determined based on observation that a staff member failed to sanitize their hands after cleaning bodily fluids

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure liquid soap and warm running water are available for handwashing, train Staff on the handwashing requirements, review the requirements with Staff periodically, and monitor handwashing.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

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

Met

#### Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

# **Policies and Procedures**

#### **591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**

Met

#### Comment

Please make sure that all required signs are posted and up to date.

# Safety

#### 591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

# Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

# 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

# Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Met

#### Comment

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Please include address of destinations on transportation checklist.

#### Comment

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

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) - Please ensure that \ the interior of a transportation vehicle be clean, in safe repair and free of hazardous items, objects and/or other non-essential items which could cause injury.

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# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

#### 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

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

#### Comment

Director provided four files for employees hired since last regulatory visit.

#### 591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

#### Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

#### Comment

Please replace/add missing/expired item(s) in first aid kit(s).

# 591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.24(1) - Consultant discussed with the director that the center to maintain a personnel file on the Director, all Employees, Provisional Employees, Personnel, Staff, Students-in-Training, Volunteers, Clerical, Housekeeping, Maintenance, and other Support Staff for the duration of the term of employment plus one calendar year, and it shall contain the following: identifying information to include: name, date of birth, social security number, current address and current telephone number; employment history; as applicable to the position held: evidence of education and qualifying work experience; evidence of all training required by these rules which shall include: title of training, date of training, trainer's signature, location of training and number of clock hours obtained; a statement completed by the staff member that the information provided is true and accurate; any other records required by these rules; and as applicable to the position held, evidence of required orientation including date and signature of person providing the orientation.

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Correction Deadline: 4/2/2023

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each Staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; precautions in transporting children; recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and child development. It was determined based on a review of documents that five out of ten staff members did not have evidence of the ten hour health and safety orientation training.

# **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates and will ensure that the training includes all required components as required.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

# **Finding**

91-1-1-33(5) requires that every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained, as required by these rules. It was determined based on a review of documents that two applicable staff members were missing their ten hour of annual training for the year 2022.

# **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: 4/27/2023

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)3.(ii)(I) - (VIII) - Please ensure the Center develop a written plan for newly hired teacher's who do not possess the educational credential or degree listed in 591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2.(i) through (xii).

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Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

#### Comment

Discussed combining children of mixed ages.

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtimes, naptime, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children, volunteers and Students-in-Training. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. 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. It was determined based on observation that a teacher walked out of the classroom leaving fifteen children unsupervised for approximately for four-six minutes. Furthermore, there was a child who briefly walked out of classroom to the front corridor for approximately four minutes.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

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