

## 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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#### **Cover Sheet**

Date: 8/25/2022 Arrival: 12:05 PM Departure: 1:15 PM VisitType: Licensing Study

CCLC-3192

Family Resource Agency, Chattooga Head Start/EHS/Pre-

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## **Quality Rated:**



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Compliance Zone Designation					
08/25/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
03/28/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
09/28/2021	Licensing Study	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

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
1st Trailer	D-1st Right Trailer - 2nd entrance		0	0	С	20	С	NA	NA	
1st Trailer	E - 1st Right Trailer - 1st entrance	Two Year Olds	2	7	С	20	С	NA	NA	Nap
`		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 40	)		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
2nd Trailer	F- 2nd Right Trailer	-	0	0	С	14	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 14			Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
3rd Trailer	G-3rd Rear Trailer	One Year Olds	2	8	С	12	С	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 12			Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Main	A 1st Left -Main Building		0	0	С	16	С	NA	NA	
Main	B- 2nd Left Rear-Main Building		0	0	С	17	С	NA	NA	
Main	C-1st Right-Main Building		0	0	С	11	С	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 44			Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Ch	hildren this Date: 15	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 11	0		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			

**Playground Playground Building Playground** Occupancy Compliance

#### Comments

A Licensing Study was completed on August 25, 2022. Documents were uploaded to DECAL KOALA for administrative review.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/25/2022

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.decal.ga.gov/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





#### **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 a1 855-800-7747 or <u>qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</u> for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

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)

andice Mickler, Program Official	Date	Chasity Baugh, Consultant	Date



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## The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

# Activities and Equipment

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

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

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

N/A

Met

Comment

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Records were observed to be well organized.

#### **Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed 591-1-1-.08(1) which requires the Center Staff to maintain a file for each child while such child is in care and for one year after that child is no longer enrolled. In order for the file to be complete, the file shall contain the following: child's name, birth date, sex, address, living arrangement, name of school if applicable; names of both Parents, home and work addresses, and home and work telephone numbers; name (s) and addresses of the person(s) to whom the child may be released including address, telephone numbers, relationship to child and to Parent(s), and other identifying information; name(s) and telephone number(s) of person(s) to contact in emergencies when the Parent cannot be reached; name and telephone number of the child's primary source of health care; and a statement regarding known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, intellectual disabilities or developmental disabilities which limit the child's participation in the program.

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

#### 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.

#### Comment

Trees located on the site or that encroach onto the site from adjacent properties may have structural issues that present an elevated level of risk. Consider having these trees inspected by a certified arborist to determine their structural integrity and associated levels of risk.

**Food Service** 

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

Met

#### Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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

Met

## Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

## **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

**Policies and Procedures** 

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Comment

Thank you for reporting as required.

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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment** 

Met

Not Met

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

**Staff Records** 

**Records Reviewed: 10** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 7

Staff # 1

Date of Hire: 10/01/2021

Staff # 2

Date of Hire: 09/14/2015

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 3 Not Met

Date of Hire: 04/15/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 10/11/2021

Staff # 5 Not Met

**Records Reviewed: 10** 

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 7

Date of Hire: 10/02/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components" .33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 02/28/2022

Staff # 7 Not Met

Date of Hire: 05/09/2016

"Missing/Incomplete Components"
.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 8 Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/19/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 9 Not Met

Date of Hire: 09/18/2017

"Missing/Incomplete Components" .33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 10 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/29/2016

"Missing/Incomplete Components" .33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2022

**Corrected on 8/25/2022** 

.09(1)(c) - This previous citation was observed to be corrected as all staff members criminal records check were completed.

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

Comment

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

Comment

Please be mindful of training expiration dates.

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 observation of records staff member #8 did not complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment.

## **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: 9/24/2022

## **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 observation of records the following staff members did not complete ten (10) clock hours of department approved training for the year of 2021, #2, #3, #5, #7, #9 and #10.

#### 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: 9/24/2022

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)

#### Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Met

#### Comment

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