



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 3/14/2023 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:20 AM **Departure:** 12:15 PM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
03/14/2023	POI Follow Up	Good Standing
01/24/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Support
01/24/2023	Complaint Closure	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 rules.

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
Main	A 1L		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	B 2L/3L	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning
Main	C Entrance		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	D 1R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Outside
Main	E 2nd Section Entrance		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F Right Hall 1R		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	G Rear R	GA PreK	2	21	C	27	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 94					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 35			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 94		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG B-No Measurements	0	C
Main	PG Left	10	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to complete a plan of improvement follow-up visit and to follow-up on the previous visit conducted on January 24, 2023.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/14/2023

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.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

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 qualityrated@dec.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Jenny Rivas-de la Rosa, Program Official

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Margarita Collier, CCS Coordinator

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/24/2023

Corrected on 3/14/2023

The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The consultant observed all required equipment and furniture to be secured to prevent a potential tipping hazard.

Facility

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/27/2023

Corrected on 3/14/2023

The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The consultant observed the previous vines to be trimmed back so as to prevent a potential tripping hazard to the children. Please continue to monitor the vines on the opposite side of the fence to ensure that they do not protrude through the playground fence creating a potential tripping hazard.

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

Not Met

Technical Assistance

Per the director, playground Left is temporarily closed due to the wooden exit playground ramp for playground contained three broken wooden boards. The owner was notified of the required repairs on Monday, March 13, 2023 and the repairs will be completed between March 14, 2023 and March 18, 2023. The consultant discussed monitor the wooden ramps for normal wear and tear (i.e., rotting wood, missing wooden boards, etc.).

Defer

The previous citation was deferred due to the repairs being rescheduled for March 14, 2023 - March 17, 2023. Follow-up regarding the previous citation will be completed during the center's next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 2/3/2023

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Corrected on 3/14/2023

The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The consultant observed the fall zones surrounding the sliding structures to have the required amount of resilient surface. Please continue to rebluff the resilient surface surrounding the fall zones of all equipment as needed.

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 observation that the following hazardous items were observed on the playground areas:

- Playground B - An eight to 10 inch gap and exposed foam was observed underneath the wooden barrier behind the metal sliding structure located on the back-right side of the playground area creating a potential entrapment hazard.

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: 3/20/2023

Recited on 3/14/2023

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/24/2023

Corrected on 3/14/2023

The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The consultant observed the center to have complete documentation of all emergency medications housed at the center.