



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 5/2/2022      **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study      **Arrival:** 11:00 AM      **Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-56692**

**Play Datez Child Development Center**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
05/02/2022	Initial Licensing Study	N/A

**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**

**Comments**

An Administrative Review was conducted on April 25, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. An in person Initial Licensing Study was conducted on May 2, 2022. The exit conference was conducted virtually on May 13, 2022 at 2:00 PM with the Director. Temporary License issued on this date. Facility does carry Liability Insurance.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/12/2022

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 at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical 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](http://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)

Kamaria Boston, Program Official

Date

Kati Cosby, Consultant

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**Findings Report**

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

**Activities and Equipment**

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

**Comment**

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities. No pool observed on site.

**Facility**

**591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center. The overall licensed capacity is 98 children.

**591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)** **Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined, based on observation, that hazardous items such as cleaning tools, bleach spray bottle, soap water spray bottle, and teacher bags were accessible to children in classrooms A, B and C.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

**Correction Deadline: 5/2/2022**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(3) requires 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. It was determined, based on observation, that a toilet in Classroom B was leaking and had been for an undetermined amount of time.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

**Correction Deadline: 5/26/2022**

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

**Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined, based on observation and measurements, that fencing at the front of the play area on the left and right of the building measured three feet eight inches and three feet five inches. It was also observed that the fencing around the air conditioning unit on the back playground measured at three feet. Furthermore, it was observed that the back left gate was not secured and that fencing was not attached to two poles, creating an entrapment hazard.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

**Correction Deadline: 5/26/2022**

**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 several sections of the black plastic border on the back playground were cracked and a board with splintering wood and exposed screws was present on the playground equipment near the metal ladder.

**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: 5/22/2022**

**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 on the front right playground a large board covering was present with splintering wood, a gutter down spout was detached from the side of the building with exposed screws, two of three concrete pads at the classroom doors were not flush with the ground creating a tripping hazard and the storage closet where the air handler is located was left unlocked.

**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: 5/2/2022**

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Not Met**

**Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the Director that all staff should review diapering procedures to ensure accuracy.

**Finding**

591-1-1-.10(1) requires Centers first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that are renovated after March 1, 1991, to provide ventilation in the diapering areas with functioning exhaust fans and a duct system or by the required amount of window space provided by operable windows when open. It was determined, based on observation, that there was no ventilation present for classrooms A, B and D.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The responsible person(s) at the center will ensure that the exhaust fans and duct systems are functioning or that the required amount of operable window space is provided in each diapering area.

**Correction Deadline: 5/26/2022**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the director on this date.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

**Safety**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Ten (10 of ten (10) cribs were present meeting safety compliance with Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society of Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards as they were manufactured in 2011. Consultant discussed safe sleeping requirements with the Director during the inspection visit.

**Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the Director and infant room teachers that sheets should fit the crib mattress tight but not too tight that it causes the mattress to bow at the ends.

**Correction Deadline: 5/2/2022**

**Staff Records**

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**Records Reviewed: 17**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met  
Date of Hire: 09/28/2021

Staff # 2 Met  
Date of Hire: 08/01/2020

Staff # 3 Met

**Records Reviewed: 17****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

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Date of Hire: 09/11/2009

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 03/15/2021

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 05/03/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/1991

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 04/04/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 04/04/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 06/02/2021

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/2020

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 03/30/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 03/15/2021

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 04/01/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 05/20/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 08/03/2020

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 06/06/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 17 Met

**Records Reviewed: 17**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Date of Hire: 04/19/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Sixteen (16) of sixteen (16) staff records were observed to have comprehensive satisfactory Criminal Background Check determination letters on file.

**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**

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.