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Cover Sheet

Date: 2/7/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 11:10 AM **Departure:** 12:50 PM

CCLC-129

Sheltering Arms - Elaine P. Draeger Model Teaching Center

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
02/07/2022	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/19/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
10/18/2021	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	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
Main	Room 1		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room 10	GA PreK	2	12	C	28	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	Room 2	Infants and One Year Olds	1	3	C	18	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Transitioning
Main	Room 3	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	6	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap, Lunch
Main	Room 4	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	6	C	17	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Room 5	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	12	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap, Transitioning, Lunch
Main	Room 6		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room 7	Three Year Olds	1	13	C	28	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Room 8		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room 9		0	0	C	28	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 216			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 52			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 216							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant Playground	14	C

Main	Pre-school Playground	72	C
Main	Toddler Playground	28	C

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on February 7, 2022 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. An Administrative Review was conducted by February 8, 2022 and completed February 10, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/07/2022

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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 New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

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

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), e-mail the following information to 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.

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)

Felicia Hurst, Program Official

Date

Lajuana Williams, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through a variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center. Cleaning and disinfecting of toys and equipment was discussed with the Director this date.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center was observed compliant Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through there were no hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the playground was observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures and proper diapering areas were observed this date.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)	Met
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Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through staff were observed to remind children to wash hands. Please ensure children are supervised while turning on/off the sink.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)	Not Evaluated
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Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

	Safety
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591-1-1-.05 Animals	N/A
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Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)	Met
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Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)	N/A
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Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)	N/A
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Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

	Sleeping & Resting Equipment
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591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)	Met
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Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

	Staff Records
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Records Reviewed: 22

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
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Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 04/18/1988	

Staff # 2	Met
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Staff # 3	Met
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Staff # 4	Met
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Date of Hire: 07/29/2019

Staff # 5 Met

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 10/20/2005

Staff # 7 Met

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 07/06/2021

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 08/08/2020

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 09/20/2020

Staff # 11 Met

Staff # 12 Met

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 01/14/1980

Staff # 14 Met

Staff # 15 Met

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 01/27/2003

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 03/09/2020

Staff # 18 Met

Staff # 19 Met

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 01/23/1995

Staff # 21 Met

Date of Hire: 02/27/1998

Staff # 22 Met

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the Center was observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Visit:

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 7/13/2021

Corrected on 2/7/2022

.32(7) - Previous cite corrected. Adequate supervision was observed this date. Discussed rotating on playgrounds and during nap to ensure all children could be observed. Discussed staff sitting within arms reach of the children under four to ensure adequate supervision during lunch.