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Date: 5/7/2024 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:45 AM **Departure:** 1:15 PM

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
05/07/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/20/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/24/2022	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	A - 1R	Infants	2	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B - 2R	GA PreK	2	22	C	21	NC	NA	NA	Outside
Main	C - 3R	Three Year Olds	2	17	C	19	C	27	C	Centers
Main	D - 4R	GA PreK	2	18	C	25	C	35	C	Centers
Main	E - 4L	Four Year Olds	1	15	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	F - 3L	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	15	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	G - 2L	One Year Olds	2	13	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 120					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 120		Building @35 capacity limited by Heath Department Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 108					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 120		Building @25 capacity limited by Heath Department Limitations			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A - 1R	14	C
Main	B - 2R	33	C
Main	C - Rear	107	C
Main	D - 2L	41	C
Main	E - 1L	21	C

Comments

The purpose for today's visit was to conduct a Licensing Study. Technical Assistance was provided and all questions were answered during the exit conference.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/07/2024

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/RuleAndRegulations.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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical 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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Consultant discussed with the owners and director to ensure posted schedules are routinely followed to provide structure. Discussed two class viewed where not on the posted schedule.

Correction Deadline: 5/7/2024

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed with the owner and director to ensure to keep current lesson plans on site that reflect appropriate instruction practices and activities to support children's development through out the center. Two of six classes observed had lesson plans in the classroom but were not current.

Correction Deadline: 5/7/2024

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

Met

Comment

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

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities. Consultant observed a water area that was not in use. Consultant discussed making sure that the container that houses the water pump be locked at all times. Additionally, the screws around the water pipe exceeded two inches.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed with the owner and director to ensure that the bathroom(s) area fully enclosed and ventilated to the outside of the building with either an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system, Consultant advised that the exhaust fans in all restrooms were inspected to manufacture specifications to ensure all exhaust fans are pulling at an acceptable rate.

Correction Deadline: 6/6/2024

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

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center.

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 the storage cabinet in room G- 2L was not locked and hazards were accessible to children. Additionally, a child's book bag in room F 3L- three-year-old class contained a tube of sunscreen. The sunscreen label warning stated to Keep out of Reach of Children.

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: 5/7/2024**Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the owner and director to ensure that any outside storage or equipment area be locked, separated from the children by a barrier or enclosure, and shall not be accessible to the children. The water pump (unplugged) was not locked and accessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 5/7/2024

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Technical Assistance****Correction Deadline: 1/8/2024****Corrected on 5/7/2024**

Playgrounds were observed to be at an adequate height to protect from traffic and hazards. Fencing was observed to be in good repair and did not present any hazards.

Technical Assistance

Consultant discussed with the owner and director to ensure that standing water is drained or cleared off of playground prior to children using the area. Standing water was observed on the tri-cycle track of playground C-Rear.

Correction Deadline: 5/7/2024

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)**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 center staff in Room A- 1R Infants failed to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water before diapering a child on this date. Staff was observed putting on plastic gloves prior to changing a child's diaper.

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: 5/7/2024

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety**591-1-1-.05 Animals****Met****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

Correction Deadline: 5/14/2024

Corrected on 5/7/2024

All safety was observed

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**

Correction Deadline: 12/20/2023

Corrected on 5/7/2024

Criminal records checks observed to be current and valid during this review.

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

Please be mindful of training expiration dates. A driver had an expired CPR First Aid card on file. Certification expired January 29, 2024.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.33(4) requires within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage. It was determined based on a review of records that the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation did not have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will schedule food preparation training, as required, and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

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

Met

Comment

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

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.