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Date: 4/10/2026 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 2:30 PM

CCLC-889

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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.
04/10/2026	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Support	
03/06/2026	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
02/18/2026	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	

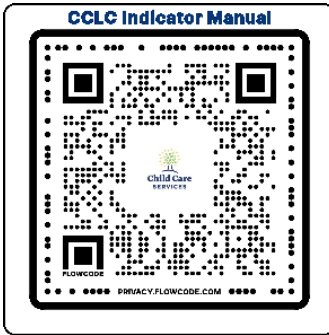
Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	1st Left		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
Main	1st Right	Infants and One Year Olds	2	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap,Free Play
Main	2nd Right	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	16	C	16	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Diapering
Main	Back Left	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	20	C	23	C	NA	NA	Outside,Lunch
Main	Back Right	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	20	C	25	C	NA	NA	Nap,Outside
Main	Middle		0	0	C	30	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 133					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 64			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 133			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Back	74	C
Main	Back Playground	74	C
Main	Right Front Playground	16	C

Comments

All previous citations were reviewed on this date.



For additional information regarding any licensing topics discussed during this visit, please consult the Rules and Regulations Indicator Manual. This manual provides comprehensive clarification of each rule, including evaluation indicators, related best practices, and relevant considerations to support your program's continued and sustained compliance.

To access the Indicator Manual, please scan the QR code below or visit our website at <https://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>.

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/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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



Summary Report

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center on 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-.06 Bathrooms

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.06(4) requires a Center first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that remodel or add to existing plumbing facilities, to have the bathroom area fully enclosed and ventilated to the outside of the building with either an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system and requires Centers without fully enclosed bathrooms to ensure there is adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. It was determined based on observation that the children's bathroom in the 1st Left Classroom did not have a functioning exhaust fan.

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2026

Recited on 4/10/2026

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/20/2026

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 that three out of three bolts were protruding more than two threads on the entrance of the gate door on the Front Right Playground. It was further determined that the wooden fencing was leaning and not properly secured along the right side of the Front Right Playground and the Back Playground.

Correction Deadline: 5/29/2026

Recited on 4/10/2026

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 the blue rails leading to the yellow slide had chipping paint on the Front Right Playground.

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2026

Recited on 4/10/2026

Correction Deadline: 2/27/2026

Corrected on 4/10/2026

.26(8) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed adequate resilient surfacing on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/23/2026

Corrected on 4/10/2026

.26(9) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed the playground to be clean and free from litter and hazards.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2026

Corrected on 4/10/2026

.27 - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed all posted notices as required.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2026

Corrected on 4/10/2026

.30(2) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed infants asleep on their backs on this date. Staff further stated that infants are placed to sleep on their backs in cribs.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/24/2026

Corrected on 4/10/2026

.14(1)(a) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed documentation of First Aid and CPR training for staff on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/27/2026

Corrected on 4/10/2026

.33(3)(a)-(k) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultant observed documentation of health and safety orientation training on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/4/2026

Corrected on 4/10/2026

.31(2)(b)2. - Correction of previous citation. Staff professional learning plans were developed.

Staffing and Supervision

Finding

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtimes, naptime, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children, volunteers and Students-in-Training. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. It was determined based on observation that staff in the 1st Right classroom failed to sit within arm's length away from two 1-year-old children during mealtime.

Correction Deadline: 5/1/2026

Recited on 4/10/2026