



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/4/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 8:55 AM **Departure:** 3:45 PM

CCLC-58021

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Same

Quality Rated: No

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.
09/04/2024	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/05/2024	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
06/17/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	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 - 1st Left	Infants and One Year Olds	2	9	C	13	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning
Main	B - 2nd Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	12	C	22	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C - 3rd Left	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	D - 4th Left	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	15	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	E - 5th Left	GA PreK	2	15	C	26	C	36	C	Outside
Main	F - Front Center	GA PreK	2	16	C	21	C	29	C	Outside
Main	G - Back Center	GA PreK	2	17	C	24	C	34	C	Music
Main	H - 5th Right	GA PreK	2	17	C	21	C	30	C	Circle Time
Main	I - 4th Right	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	J - 3rd Right	Two Year Olds	3	16	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	K - 2nd Right	Two Year Olds	3	15	C	18	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	L - 1st Right	Infants	3	8	C	13	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Diapering, Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			230		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 267					
Total # Children this Date: 163			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 267					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A - Toddler	57	C
Main	Playground B - School-age	72	C
Main	Playground C - Toddler	19	C
Main	Playground D - Infants	9	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
10	23	50	28	71	0	49

Comments

Monitoring visit completed on September 4, 2024.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/04/2024

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.decgal.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.al.ga.gov 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 Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/15/2024

Corrected on 9/4/2024

.08(2) - Correction observed on this date. Immunizations were up to date.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely 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 following classrooms had hazards accessible to children in care.

G(6)- There were adult scissors, hand sanitizer, "Lysol" disinfecting spray and wipes on the teacher's desk.

7 (Pre-K)- In a child's book bag sitting on a child size table were "Destin," Infant "Tylenol," "Zarbee's" cough syrup, and "Mupirocin" ointment.

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: 9/4/2024

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 the following classrooms the item listed below needed attention:

K(2)- One light was not working in the classroom.

I(4)- The trash can and steps to the handwashing sink needed cleaning.

H(5)- The trash can needed cleaning.

G(6)- The girls bathroom was missing a light cover.

7-(Pre-K)- The paint was peeling off the ball wall under the window. The trash can and steps to the handwashing sink needed cleaning.

12(Pre-K)- The trash can needed cleaning.

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: 9/6/2024

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Health and Hygiene**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Not Met****Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Finding

591-1-1-.10(4) requires that if diapers are changed on a diaper changing surface, the surface shall be smooth, nonporous, and equipped with a guard or rails to prevent falls. Between each diaper change, the diaper changing surface shall be cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single-use disposable towel. It was determined based on observation that in classrooms A(11) and B(10) the diaper changing pads had a design and were not smooth.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 9/4/2024

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

Comment

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

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 - Please continue to monitor mats for wear that had foam exposed and replace when present.

Correction Deadline: 9/4/2024

Staff Records**Comment**

Director provided 13 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on a review of records that one staff present had a CRC that expired on June 14, 2024.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will review Koala staff to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The center will review videos to ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 9/4/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(l)3. requires the Center to immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for a Director, Employee or Provisional Employee at least once every five years. It was determined based on a review of records that one staff member present had a CRC that expired June 14, 2024.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will review staff to ensure that each Director, Employee and Provisional Employee has a Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file that has been issued within the past five years. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will review videos to ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 9/4/2024

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

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.