



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 12/20/2024 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 1:20 PM **Departure:** 3:15 PM

CCLC-35610

Childcare Network #228

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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.
12/20/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/30/2024	TA Follow Up	NA	
09/24/2024	TA Follow Up	NA	

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	Infants and One Year Olds	3	6	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap,Feeding
Main	1st Right	One Year Olds	1	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap,Transitioning
Main	2nd Left		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Main	2nd Right	Two Year Olds	2	13	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Nap
Main	3rd Left	Three Year Olds	1	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Nap
Main	3rd Right		0	0	C	17	C	24	C	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 106					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 106					
Total # Children this Date: 39			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 106			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 106				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	4-11 years	80	C
Main	Infants	10	C
Main	Toddler	24	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
5	9	14	57	2	0	24

Comments

December 20, 2024--The Monitoring Visit was conducted on this date. The findings were discussed with the Director.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 12/20/2024

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.decga.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@decga.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-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/7/2024

Corrected on 12/20/2024

The Director discussed with the staff member that individual attention should be provided to all children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 6/7/2024

Corrected on 12/20/2024

The correction was made. The Director required the staff member to complete a Supervision class on CCEI and discussed proper supervision with the staff member in question and all remaining staff members.

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.

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)

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/20/2024

Corrected on 12/20/2024

The correction was observed on this date.

Technical Assistance

The Consultant discussed with the Director to have the tree with red berries on the infant playground inspected and determine if the red berries were poisonous. Further, the Consultant discussed monitoring the playground for any further hazards, such as holes or ant beds and repair or correct as needed.

Correction Deadline: 12/20/2024

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/20/2024

Corrected on 12/20/2024

The Director discussed with the staff member that food was not used as a form of punishment and all children were entitled to any food served.

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)

Met

Comment

Please ensure soiled items are stored inaccessible to children.

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

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.36(4)(f)1. requires that all transported children be secured in a child passenger restraining system or seat safety belt in accordance with current state and federal laws and regulations and according to manufacturer's directions. It was determined based on observation that the seat belts were not able to be adjusted on the fourth right seat and the right belt was observed to be twisted and would not adjust. Further, the seat belts were not present on the front right seat for either seat belt.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that manufacturer directions and state and federal laws are met when using child passenger restraining systems and seat safety belts. The Consultant discussed with the Director to discuss with drivers to ensure children's seat belts were pulled secured against their body and not left loose.

Correction Deadline: 12/21/2024

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Correction Deadline: 6/19/2024****Corrected on 12/20/2024****The correction was observed during a review of records.**

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.