



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 6/11/2025 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:00 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

CCLC-63016

Kathleens Day Care

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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.
06/11/2025	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/28/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
06/28/2024	Initial Licensing Study	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 Building	Room A-Infants-Back 1st Left	Infants	1	5	C	5	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main Building	Room B-1's Left Middle	Infants and One Year Olds	1	5	C	12	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main Building	Room C-Infants Left Front	Infants and One Year Olds	1	2	C	8	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main Building	Room D-2year olds-Left	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	11	C	17	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main Building	Room E-3's & 4's/after school-Right room	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	39	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 75			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations					
Total # Children this Date: 38			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 75		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Building	Back Playground	78	C
Main Building	Left Playground-1year olds	11	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
5	9	11	13	7	0	21

Comments

The Consultant reviewed and discussed the visit report the Director on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

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:

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 CAPS/ QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward an initial star rating. Provisional Status eligibility will be determined at the time of CAPS enrollment as part of the CAPS application process.

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

Records Reviewed: 15

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

Records Reviewed: 15

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

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: 1/28/2025

Corrected on 6/11/2025

.25(13) - The previous citation observed was corrected on this date. All hazardous items including diaper wipes in Room E (three's and four's) classroom were inaccessible to children in care as required.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/7/2025

Corrected on 6/11/2025

.26(6) - The previous citation observed was corrected on this date. On the back playground the bicycle structure that had visible chipped paint on the top of the equipment had been repainted as required.

Correction Deadline: 1/28/2025

Corrected on 6/11/2025

.26(9) - The previous citation observed was corrected on this date. The exposed tree root on the playground was removed, and the fallen pecans were cleaned up as required.

Health and Hygiene

Records Reviewed: 15

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Records Reviewed: 15

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

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

Met

Comment

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

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided five files for employees that were hired since the last visit.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Correction Deadline: 2/27/2025****Corrected on 6/11/2025****.14(2) - The previous citation observed was corrected on this date. The new Center Staff had obtained the first aid and CPR training as required.****591-1-1-.33 Staff Training****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each Staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; precautions in transporting children; recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and child development. It was determined based on a review of records that Staff #1 hired on February 14, 2025 had not completed the health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates and will ensure that the training includes all required components as required.

Correction Deadline: 7/11/2025

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision**Records Reviewed: 15****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1**

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/14/2025

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

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.