



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/6/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 12:15 PM **Departure:** 1:45 PM

CCLC-36326

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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.
01/06/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/04/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
09/29/2022	Complaint Investigation & 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	Room A 1st Left	Infants	1	7	NC	11	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Nap
Main	Room B: 2nd left	One Year Olds	2	11	C	11	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap
Main	Room C 3rd Left		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room D 4th Left	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	20	C	28	C	Nap, Transitioning
Main	Room E: 5th Left	GA PreK	1	9	C	24	C	34	C	Lunch
Main	Room F Right rear	GA PreK	1	6	C	24	C	NA	NA	Lunch

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 101

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 119

Total # Children this Date: 44

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Fornt Inf/toddler	30	C
Main	Rear Preschool	54	C

Comments

The purpose for today's visit was to conduct a complaint investigation and a follow up to the previous monitoring visit. No Technical assistance was provided during the visit. All questions were answered and a copy of the report was provided during the exit conference.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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.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.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

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2022

Corrected on 1/6/2023

The lockers were observed to be repaired, stable and in good condition

Correction Deadline: 10/28/2022

Corrected on 1/6/2023

The wood lockers were observed to be repaired and stable. The lockers did not present a tipping hazard on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Evening Care

591-1-1-.32 Staffing/Supervision(CR)

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision was discussed for evening care. The director adjusts hours to provide supervision and administration for the center.

Correction Deadline: 1/6/2023

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2022

Corrected on 1/6/2023

The bathrooms appeared to have been cleaned daily with disinfectant as required.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed movement of children to maintain capacities.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/28/2022

Corrected on 1/6/2023

There were no hazards observed to be accessible to children on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2022

Corrected on 1/6/2023

Protective caps and outlet covers were observed on electrical outlets on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/28/2022

Corrected on 1/6/2023

No hazards were observed on the playground on this date.

Food Service

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

Defer

Defer

Deferred until the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center Director will develop and implement a plan to obtain and post the completed feeding plan as part of the enrollment process and to have parents update the plans on a regular basis that will include center staff involved with enrollment and those working in the infant classrooms.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2022

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/28/2022

Corrected on 1/6/2023

The kitchen was observed to be clean and free from dust, dirt and food particles during this review.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.07(5) requires Center Staff to not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items. It was determined based on observation that the center failed to ensure that children not wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items. On September 29, 2022, it was observed that a child under the age of (1) one was wearing an attached pacifier to the bib.

It was determined based on observation that four, infant children in room A first left were permitted to wear pacifiers attached to their clothing on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will instruct Staff regarding this safety requirement.

Correction Deadline: 1/6/2023

Recited on 1/6/2023

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2022

Corrected on 1/6/2023

Proper discipline was observed throughout the center on this date.

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

Defer

Deferred until the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain the annual vehicle inspection.

Correction Deadline: 10/4/2022

Defer

Deferred until the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will maintain that all transportation vehicles are clean, in safe repair, and free from hazards.

Correction Deadline: 10/28/2022

Defer

Deferred until the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that each vehicle has a working fire extinguisher and that the fire extinguisher is kept out of reach of children.

Correction Deadline: 10/28/2022

Defer

Deferred until the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The driver/other designated person will immediately document in writing with a check/mark/symbol each time a child gets on and off the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 9/30/2022

Defer

Deferred until the next regulatory visit

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 9/30/2022

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.30(2)(c) requires that infants shall not sleep in equipment other than safety-approved cribs, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the Center asleep or fall asleep in such equipment, on the floor or elsewhere, shall be transferred to a safety-approved crib. It was determined based on observation and staff interview that the center failed to ensure that infants not sleep in equipment other than safety-approved cribs as required. During a licensing study it was observed that an infant was asleep in a bouncy and not moved to an approved crib immediately. Center staff confirmed that the infant was asleep in the crib for five minutes or more.

It was determined based on observation that two infant children in room A 1st left were permitted to sleep in bouncy seats. One infant was observed asleep in a car seat soon after the child arrived at the center and was not immediately transferred to a crib as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will only place infants in safe cribs to sleep and will transfer them to a safe crib when the infants are asleep in other equipment.

Correction Deadline: 1/9/2023

Recited on 1/6/2023

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**Defer****Defer**

Deferred until the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center Staff will provide any missing first aid kits, add any missing items to each first aid kit and will develop and use a plan for checking the kits and replacing missing items in each kit in the future. First aid kits and instruction manuals will be stored so that they kits are not accessible to children but are easily accessible to Center Staff.

Correction Deadline: 10/9/2022

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Defer****Defer**

Deferred until the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 10/28/2022

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision**Finding**

591-1-1-.32(1) requires the Center to maintain the required Staff:child ratios as follows: under 1 year or under 18 months if not walking = 1:6; 1 year and walking = 1:8; 2 years = 1:10; 3 years = 1:15; 4 years = 1:18; 5 years = 1:20; and 6 years and older = 1:25. A Center must establish groupings of children for care with maximum group sizes as follows: under 1 year = 12; under 18 months/not walking = 12; 1 year and walking = 16; 2 years = 20; 3 years = 30; 4 years = 36; 5 years = 40; and 6 years and older = 50. It was determined based on observation in room A 1st left, there were seven infant children and one staff present on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will hire additional Staff or reschedule current Staff to meet required Staff:child ratios and will organize children into groups that meet requirements.

Correction Deadline: 1/6/2023

Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.

The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Visit:

Policies and Procedures

Correction Deadline: 10/3/2022

Corrected on 1/6/2023

Parents were observed to have access to the center on this date.