



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/15/2025 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:10 AM **Departure:** 11:15 AM

CCLC-53910

Auntie Ann's Daycare #2

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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.
04/15/2025	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/23/2024	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
12/02/2024	Monitoring Visit	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
Msin	Room A	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	10	C	10	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Msin	Room B	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Msin	Room C	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 29			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 23			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Msin	Playground A	20	C

Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
3	3	10	11	7	0	0

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a licensing study.

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.decal.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:

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@decal.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 Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/27/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 2

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

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.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 7**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4**

Staff # 1	Not Met
Date of Hire: 03/27/2025	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
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Date of Hire: 10/15/2024	
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Staff # 3	Not Met
Date of Hire: 03/21/2021	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training	
Staff # 6	Not Met
Date of Hire: 07/11/2023	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing	

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records**Met****Correction Deadline: 1/30/2025****Corrected on 4/15/2025****The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. The center had current immunizations for children enrolled.**

Facility

Records Reviewed: 7**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4**

Staff # 1	Not Met
Date of Hire: 03/27/2025	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing	
Staff # 2	Not Met
Date of Hire: 10/15/2024	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing	
Staff # 3	Not Met
Date of Hire: 03/21/2021	
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u>	
.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training	

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**Met****Comment**

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Met****Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by the center.

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

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(4) requires the Center to maintain the temperature in the range of 65 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit and to ventilate the Center be ventilated either by mechanical or natural means for the purpose of providing fresh air and controlling unpleasant odors. Facilities which do not have a functioning central heating and air-conditioning system shall make fifty percent (50%) of all required windows operable for ventilation. Any openings used for ventilation shall be screened. It was determined based on observation that there was a black fan on the left side of the science area shelf accessible to children in classroom C that posed a hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add screen(s), if needed. The designated person(s) will check frequently to ensure the Center's temperature is maintained at 65 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit, will monitor to ensure that either natural or mechanical ventilation provides fresh air and controls unpleasant odors, and that any openings used for ventilation are screened.

Correction Deadline: 4/15/2025**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 12/2/2024****Corrected on 4/15/2025**

The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. There was no standing water in the sensory table.

Food Service

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/27/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 2

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Records Reviewed: 7**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4**

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition**Met****Correction Deadline: 12/2/2024****Corrected on 4/15/2025****The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. There was no blanket used to prop a baby's bottle.**

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

Records Reviewed: 7**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4**

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/27/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 2

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health**Met****Correction Deadline: 12/2/2024**

Corrected on 4/15/2025

The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. There was no pacifier clips attached to children's clothing.

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

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) **N/A**

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense or administer medication at this time.

Policies and Procedures

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4

Staff # 1 **Not Met**

Date of Hire: 03/27/2025 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 2 **Not Met**

Date of Hire: 10/15/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 3 **Not Met**

Date of Hire: 03/21/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 6 **Not Met**

Date of Hire: 07/11/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures **Met**

Comment

Program observed to have complete emergency drills on this date.

Safety

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4

Staff # 1 **Not Met**

Date of Hire: 03/27/2025 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 2 Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 3 Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 6 Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

591-1-1-.05 Animals Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on the premises.

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

Comment

Please be mindful of voice tone in redirecting children.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR) N/A

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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: 03/27/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 2 Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 3 Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Records Reviewed: 7**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4**

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 12/2/2024****Corrected on 4/15/2025****The previous citation was observed corrected on this date. There were no children in the crib with a bottle.**

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4**

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/27/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 2

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

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

Director provided three files for employees hired since the last visit.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on a review of records that staff member #2 did not have evidence of current CPR and first aid as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2025

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Not Met****Finding**

91-1-1-.33(5) requires that every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained, as required by these rules. It was determined based on a review of records that staff member #3 did not have evidence of 10 clock hours of diverse training for the year 2024 as required.

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: 5/15/2025

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.31(2)(c) requires the Center to maintain a copy and/or written verification of the credential or degree awarded to the lead teacher that is required by these rules in the lead teacher's file, to make the document available for inspection and to provide the document to Department staff upon request. It was determined based on observation that staff members #1, #2 and #6 did not have evidence of educational credentials in classroom A, B, and C as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will review lead teacher records to ensure the required documentation is on file and will obtain and file it if not found.

Correction Deadline: 8/12/2025

Recited on 4/15/2025

Staffing and Supervision**Records Reviewed: 7****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4**

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/27/2025

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 2

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/15/2024

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 3

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/21/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2023

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

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)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Technical Assistance

The consultant discussed with the director to ensure Staff are attentive and seated within an arm's length away from children 36 months of age and younger. Additionally, the consultant discussed ensuring that children do not have excessive amounts of food in their mouths while eating and are chewing their food appropriately to prevent of choking. Children must always be seated when eating and shall not be allowed to lie down or be put to sleep while food is present in their mouths.

Correction Deadline: 4/15/2025