



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/10/2024 **VisitType:** MV POI Follow Up

Arrival: 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:15 PM

CCLC-32681

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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.
09/10/2024	MV POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
09/06/2024	TA Follow Up	NA	
08/12/2024	TA Follow Up	NA	
			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.

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, right	Three Year Olds	1	4	C	15	C	NA	NA	Art,Circle Time
Main	B, middle	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	10	C	15	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Outside,Centers
Main	C, left	Infants	1	2	C	5	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Feeding,Floor Play
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 35			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 16			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 35			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	21	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is a Plan of Improvement Follow Up and a Monitoring Visit.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 09/24/2024

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.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:

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@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 MV POI Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.03(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. A current lesson plan was posted in each classroom.

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.03(6) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. No children were observed in confining equipment for more than one-half hour on this date.

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)

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 a toilet brush and toilet plunger was stored on a chair in the boys bathroom and a toilet brush was stored by the sink. Additionally, in classroom B, there was a bottle of disinfecting wipes and two bottles of baby powder in an unlocked cabinet under the changing table accessible to the children in care.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2024

Recited on 9/10/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.25(8) requires protective caps on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that in classroom A and in Classroom B, two electrical outlets did not have protective caps while not in use to prevent access to children. Additionally, in classroom A, one outlet plate was broken leaving the electrical box exposed and accessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2024

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.26(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The fencing was observed to be in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 6/1/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.26(6) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All equipment hazards were corrected.

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.15(2)(f) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All food was cut appropriately to prevent choking.

Health and Hygiene

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

Not Met

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 a staff member in classroom B changed three children on the changing table and did not clean the changing pad with a disinfectant and dry with a single-use disposable towel between each child as required.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2024

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on observation that a staff member in classroom B changed three children's diapers and did not wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water after diapering as required.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2024

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)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.30(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Appropriate safe-sleep practices were observed on this date.

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

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

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

591-1-1-.33(4) requires within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage. It was determined on based on a review of records that staff # 2 had no proof of completion of four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage and cooked and served the children lunch.

Correction Deadline: 9/24/2024

Recited on 9/10/2024

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)- This citation will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit after January 1, 2025.

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2024

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**

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.32(1) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Appropriate ratios were observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met**

Correction Deadline: 5/22/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.32(7) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Appropriate supervision was observed throughout the visit.