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Cover Sheet

Date: 11/15/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:40 AM

Departure: 2:00 PM

CCLC-54735

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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. 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.
11/15/2022	Complaint Investigation & Licensing Study	Support	
11/15/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
08/01/2022	POI Follow Up	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	A (2L) - 6wks-12mths	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	6	C	4	NC	NA	NA	Music, Floor Play
Main	B (1L) - 1's and 2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C (1R) 3-12 yrs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Centers
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 27			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 23			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 27			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- 6wks - 12 yrs	25	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Complaint Investigation and Licensing Study and to follow up on the previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 12/01/2022

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.state.ga.us/CCS/RuleAndRegulations.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



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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

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)

Tara Dixon, Program Official

Date

Melyn Smith, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study Visit:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Correction Deadline: 8/12/2022

Corrected on 11/15/2022

.12(4) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the equipment and furniture were observed to be securely anchored if it was of a weight or mass that could cause injury from flipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over on this date.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4

Child # 1

Met

Child # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)-Doctor, Clinic, Phone Numbers

Child # 3

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)(a)-Work Address Missing,.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing,.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing,.08(3)-Name of Release Person Missing

Child # 4 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)(a)-Work Address Missing,.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing

Child # 5 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing,.08(1)-Doctor, Clinic, Phone Numbers

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.08(1) requires the Center Staff to maintain a file for each child while such child is in care and for one year after that child is no longer enrolled. In order for the file to be complete, the file shall contain the following: child's name, birth date, sex, address, living arrangement, name of school if applicable; names of both Parents, home and work addresses, and home and work telephone numbers; name(s) and addresses of the person(s) to whom the child may be released including address, telephone numbers, relationship to child and to Parent(s), and other identifying information; name(s) and telephone number(s) of person(s) to contact in emergencies when the Parent cannot be reached; name and telephone number of the child's primary source of health care; and a statement regarding known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, intellectual disabilities or developmental disabilities which limit the child's participation in the program. It was determined, based on a review of records, that out of five children's files reviewed, the following information was missing:

- The addresses for release persons were missing for Child #3, 4, and 5.
- The name and/or phone number for the child's primary physician were missing for Child #2 and 5.
- The work address for a parent was missing for Child #3 and 4.
- The information for the emergency contact was missing for Child #3.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2022

Facility

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation that six children were observed present in Room A (2L), which was licensed for four on this date.

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Correction Deadline: 11/16/2022

Recited on 11/15/2022

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure to replace the air vent cover in Room C (1R) that was observed to be damaged on this date.

Correction Deadline: 11/15/2022

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

Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

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

Not Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

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Comment

The Consultant discussed the infant feeding plans with the Director.

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Finding

591-1-1-.15(3) requires baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. It was determined, based on observation, that two bottles were observed to not be labeled with the individual child's name in Room A (2L) on this date.

Correction Deadline: 11/16/2022

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-17 Hygiene(CR)	Met
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Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-20 Medications(CR)	N/A
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Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-21 Operational Policies & Procedures	Met
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Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

Safety

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

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

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

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-36 Transportation(CR)	Met
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Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 11/15/2022

.36(7)(a) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that the transportation checklists contained all required information on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 11/15/2022

.36(7)(c)2. - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that the center documented in writing the loading and unloading of children during routine transportation on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 11/15/2022

.36(7)(c)3. - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that the arrival and departure times were documented on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 11/15/2022

.36(7)(d)1. - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that the first check of the vehicle used for routine transportation was documented on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 11/15/2022

.36(7)(d)2. - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that a second check of the vehicle used for routine transportation was documented on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 13

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 9

Staff # 1

Not Met

Date of Hire: 06/16/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing,.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 10/07/2020

Staff # 4

Not Met

Date of Hire: 05/09/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 5

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing,.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 6

Not Met

Records Reviewed: 13**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 9**

Date of Hire: 09/16/2022

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

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

Staff # 7

Not Met

Date of Hire: 10/12/2022

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

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

Staff # 8

Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

Staff # 9

Not Met

Date of Hire: 02/08/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 10

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/17/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing

Staff # 11

Not Met

Date of Hire: 03/04/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.24(1)-Evidence of Orientation Missing,.31(2)(b)2.-Staff Qualifications-Education Missing

Staff # 12

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/10/2022

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 13

Met

Date of Hire: 03/18/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5**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****Comment**

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

Comment

Please replace/add missing/expired item(s) in first aid kit(s).

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.33(2) requires the initial Center orientation to include the following subjects: the Center's policies and procedures; the portions of these rules dealing with the care, health and safety of children; the Staff person's assigned duties and responsibilities; reporting requirements for suspected cases of child abuse, neglect or deprivation; communicable diseases and serious injuries; emergency weather plans; the program's emergency preparedness plan; childhood injury control; the administration of medicine; reducing the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS); hand washing; fire safety; water safety; and prevention of HIV/AIDS and blood borne pathogens. It was determined, based on review of records, that Staff #s 1, 5, 6, 7, 10, and 11 were lacking completed documentation of orientation on this date.

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Correction Deadline: 11/16/2022

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 review of records, that Staff #s 1, 4, 5, 9, and 12 were lacking evidence of completing the Health and Safety Orientation training within 90 days of hire, as required.

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Correction Deadline: 12/15/2022

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)

Not Met

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

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Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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Finding

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2. requires teachers and lead caregivers to meet minimum academic requirements and qualifying experience at the time of employment. It was determined, based on review of records, in that Staff #11, identified as a lead caregiver, was lacking a minimum academic requirements on this date.

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Correction Deadline: 11/30/2022

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

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