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Cover Sheet

Date: 10/25/2022 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 12:45 PM

CCLC-50329

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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.
10/25/2022	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Support	
10/25/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
08/10/2022	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	Rm A: 1st Left (100): Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	3	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Rm B: 2nd Left (150): 1's	One Year Olds	1	9	NC	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm C: 3rd Left (200): 1's and 2's	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	16	C	NA	NA	Music
Main	Rm D: Back Left (Afterschool)		0	0	C	58	C	NA	NA	
Main	Rm E: Back Mid (500): Ga Pre-K	PreK	2	14	C	29	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	Rm F: 5th Right (450): Ga Pre-K	PreK	1	16	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Rm G: 4th Right (400): Ga Pre-K	PreK	2	20	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Rm H: 3rd Right (350): 3's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	20	NC	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Rm I: 2nd Right (300): 3's		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Rm J: 1st Right (250): 2's	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	1	12	NC	23	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Rm K: Front Mid. (Cafeteria)		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 268			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 107			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd-A	29	C
Main	Plgd-B	185	C
Main	Plgd-C	20	C
Main	Plgd-D	25	C

Comments

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Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 11/08/2022

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)

Melanie White, Program Official

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Facility

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 the following hazards were accessible to children in care:

- * A staff member's purse and plastic grocery bags were located underneath the diaper changing table in an unlocked cabinet in Classroom A (first left).
- * Baby wipes, "Ibuprofen", "Aquaphor" ointment, "Eucerin" ointment labeled, "keep out of reach of children" were located underneath the diaper changing table in unlocked cabinets in Classroom B (second left).
- * Baby wipes labeled, "keep out of reach of children" were located underneath the diaper changing table in unlocked cabinets in Classroom C (third left). Baby wipes were also in containers to the right side of the classroom in Classroom J (first right).
- * "Lysol" wipes labeled, "keep out of reach of children" were located in an unlocked cabinet underneath the sink in Classroom D (back left afterschool).

Correction Deadline: 10/28/2022

Recited on 10/25/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation the following was not in good repair:

- * Broken cabinets were observed underneath the diaper changing tables in the first left, second left and third left classrooms.
- * Tissue holders in the Classroom J (first right), Classroom H (third right) and back left (afterschool) bathrooms were broken.
- * Vents were dusty in the boy's and girl's bathroom in Classroom H (third right).
- * The carpet was lifted up in areas and not in good repair in Classroom H (third right).

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Correction Deadline: 10/31/2022

Recited on 10/25/2022

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.15(2) requires that a signed written feeding plan for children less than one (1) year of age shall be obtained from Parent(s) and that instructions from the Parent(s) shall be updated regularly as new foods are added or other dietary changes are made. The feeding plan shall be posted in the child's assigned room and must include the child's feeding schedule, the amount of formula or breast milk to be given, instructions for the introduction of solid foods, the amount of food to be given and notation of any type(s) of commercially premixed formula which may not be used in an emergency because of food allergies. It was determined based on a review of records that three of six infant feeding plans were incomplete as they did not contain the parent's response to instructions for the introduction of solid foods as required.

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Correction Deadline: 10/28/2022

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Correction Deadline: 8/10/2022

Corrected on 10/25/2022

Correction of citation in that the feeding chairs were removed from the infant classroom.

Staff Records

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 review of records staff member (#12) did not complete First Aid and CPR within the first 90 days of employment as required.

Correction Deadline: 11/8/2022

Recited on 10/25/2022

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2022

Corrected on 10/25/2022

Correction of citation in that the staff member completed the 10 Hour Health and Safety training as required.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Not Met

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 that Room B had a staff:child ratio of 1:9 among one year old children. A staff:child ratio of 2:9 was required.

Correction Deadline: 10/25/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.32(2) requires the Center maintain Staff:child ratios in mixed-age groups based on the age of the youngest group of children that includes more than twenty percent of the total number of children in the mixed-age group. It was determined based on observation that in Room H there was a staff:child ratio of 1:20 among 10 three-year-olds and 10 four-year-olds. A staff:child ratio of 2:20 was required. Further, a staff:child ratio of 1:12 among 8 two-year-olds and 4 three-year-olds was observed in Room J. A staff:child ratio of 2:12 was required.

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