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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. |
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| 02/06/2024                  | Licensing Study                   | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 12/12/2023                  | Complaint Closure                 | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 12/12/2023                  | Complaint Investigation Follow Up | Good Standing |                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                             |                                   |               | <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.                                                                                                                |
|                             |                                   |               | <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.                                                                                                                          |
|                             |                                   |               | <b>Deficient</b> - 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                           | Rm 6B: (2nd Right)                    | Infants         | 1                               | 4        | C    | 23                              | C            | NA         | NA           | Feeding       |
| Main                           | Rm A-1: inside 1st R: younger infants | One Year Olds   | 1                               | 7        | C    | 8                               | C            | NA         | NA           | Lunch,Feeding |
| Main                           | Rm A-2: 1R: older infants             | Two Year Olds   | 2                               | 8        | C    | 15                              | C            | NA         | NA           | Lunch         |
| Main                           | Rm C7: Back Hallway: 3yr olds         | Three Year Olds | 1                               | 11       | C    | 26                              | C            | NA         | NA           | Lunch         |
| Main                           | Rm D8: Left Bk hall: 1 yr olds        |                 | 0                               | 0        | C    | 17                              | C            | NA         | NA           | Not In Use    |
| Main                           | Rm F1: 1st Left: Pre-K                | GA PreK         | 2                               | 16       | C    | 20                              | C            | NA         | NA           | Outside       |
| Main                           | Rm G2: 2nd Left: Pre-K                | GA PreK         | 2                               | 14       | C    | 21                              | C            | NA         | NA           | Centers       |
| Main                           | Rm H3: 3rd Left: Pre-K                | GA PreK         | 2                               | 15       | C    | 20                              | C            | NA         | NA           | Centers       |
| Main                           | Rm I 4: 4th left: Private Pre-K       |                 | 0                               | 0        | C    | 21                              | C            | NA         | NA           | Not In Use    |
| Main                           | Rm J5: 5th Left: Afterschool          |                 | 0                               | 0        | C    | 25                              | C            | 35         | C            |               |
|                                |                                       |                 | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 196 |          |      | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 234 |              |            |              |               |
| Total # Children this Date: 75 |                                       |                 | Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 196 |          |      | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 234 |              |            |              |               |

| Building | Playground           | Playground<br>Occupancy | Playground<br>Compliance |
|----------|----------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Main     | Plgd-Front Left Side | 33                      | C                        |
| Main     | Plgd-Lower Left Side | 95                      | C                        |
| Main     | Plgd-Lower Rear      | 191                     | C                        |
| Main     | Plgd-Right Side      | 53                      | C                        |

#### Comments

Licensing study visit was completed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/06/2024

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.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/Regulations.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](http://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.al.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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Saima Rauf, Program Official

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/12/2023

Corrected on 2/6/2024

Correction of citation in that the director gave both staff members a written reprimand and placed it in their files. One of the staff members no longer works at the center.

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Discussed adding soft books to Room 6B (2nd right) infants classroom. Consultant also discussed adding arts and additional materials for Room J5 afterschool classroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The director will order soft books, arts and materials by COB: February 9, 2024 and place in both classrooms.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. Items were properly secured on site.

Correction Deadline: 2/6/2024

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities at this time.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 5

Child # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

**Records Reviewed: 5****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 5**

.08(1)(a)-Work Address Missing,.08(1)(a)-Work Number Missing,.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing

Child # 2

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)(a)-Work Number Missing

Child # 3

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)(a)-Work Address Missing,.08(1)(a)-Work Number Missing,.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing,.08(1)-Doctor, Clinic, Phone Numbers

Child # 4

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)(a)-Work Number Missing,.08(1)(a)-Work Address Missing,.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing

Child # 5

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)-Emergency Contact information Missing

**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 five out of five children's files were missing work addresses, 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; and or name and telephone number of the child's primary source of health care.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Center staff will develop a plan that includes how to obtain all required information for currently enrolled children and how to ensure this is done for future enrollees as well. The plan will also include how and where to maintain files for the required amount of time. The plan will be implemented and followed.

**Correction Deadline: 2/8/2024****Facility****591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms****Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

Please ensure Room J5 (fifth left) afterschool bathroom is cleaned daily as required as there was an odor present.

**Correction Deadline: 2/6/2024**

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

Licensed capacity observed to be met by the center on this date.

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

Please ensure the center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The director reported that maintenance will replace all stained ceiling tiles in Room A (first right) infant classroom, Room C7 three-year-old classroom and in room J5 (fifth left) afterschool classroom. Additionally, vents in the children's bathroom will be covered in Room H3 (third left) Pre-k and in the girl's bathroom in Room J5 (fifth left) afterschool classroom. Pictures will be submitted to BFTS consultant by COB: February 12, 2024.

**Correction Deadline: 2/6/2024**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Met****Comment**

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

**Correction Deadline: 12/22/2023**

**Corrected on 2/6/2024**

**Correction of citation in that all hazards have been removed and new play equipment was delivered on this date.**

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**Food Service**

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**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Met****Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines on this date. Consultant discussed infant feeding plans with the infant staff member and director on this date.

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**591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure the refrigerators and freezers are kept clean daily as required.

**Correction Deadline: 2/6/2024**

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**Health and Hygiene**

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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Not Met****Comment**

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures on this date

**Finding**

591-1-1-.10(9) requires Center Staff to not use the area used for diapering for food preparation and to keep the diapering area clear of formulas, food, food utensils and food preparation items. It was determined based on observation two plates of food were observed sitting on top of the diaper changing table in Room 6B (second right) infant classroom.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Center staff will be trained, specified areas will be available for food preparation and placement of food-related items, and the director will monitor.

**Correction Deadline: 2/6/2024**

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| <b>591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)</b> | <b>Met</b> |
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**Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands on this date.

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| <b>591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)</b> | <b>N/A</b> |
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**Comment**

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

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|  | <b>Safety</b> |
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| <b>591-1-1-.05 Animals</b> | <b>N/A</b> |
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**Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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| <b>591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)</b> | <b>Met</b> |
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**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed on this date.

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| <b>591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)</b> | <b>N/A</b> |
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**Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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| <b>591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)</b> | <b>Met</b> |
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**Comment**

A current and completed inspection was observed for both vehicles used in transporting children on this date. Vehicle with tag numbers ending with L6190 and Y942 were completed on July 3, 2023. The director reported that vehicle with tag number ending in L6190 was a back up vehicle.

**Comment**

Complete documentation of transportation observed on this date.

**Comment**

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

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|  | <b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b> |
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| <b>591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)</b> | <b>Met</b> |
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**Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position with the director and infant staff members on this date.

**Comment**

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date.

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|  | <b>Staff Records</b> |
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| <b>591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)</b> | <b>Met</b> |
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**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete on this date.

**Comment**

Director provided two file(s) for employees hired since the last visit which was completed on December 12, 2023.

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**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR****Met****Comment**

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR on this date.

**Comment**

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

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training****Met****Comment**

Documentation observed of required annual staff training for 2023 on this date.

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**591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations on this date.

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| <b>Staffing and Supervision</b> |
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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)****Met****Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.