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Date: 7/20/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:45 AM **Departure:** 2:20 PM

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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.
07/20/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/14/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
12/29/2022	Complaint Investigation 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 1st Rm-Infront Hallway	Infants	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B Lt Rm Rt Side	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	25	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Nap
Main	C Lt Rm-Lt Side	Four Year Olds	1	22	C	33	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D Rt Right Hall	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	3	27	C	48	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Lunch
Main	E Rt Rm-Lt Side	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	3	38	C	38	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 161						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 100						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG 2 year	98	C
Main	PG Infant	41	C
Main	PG-3/4 years	86	C

Comments

Monitoring visit completed on 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.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

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@dec.state.ga.us 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 Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(1) requires each Employee and child in attendance to use all indoor and outdoor furniture, activity materials, and equipment in a safe and appropriate manner and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, recommendations, and intended use. All equipment and furniture shall be used only by the age-appropriate group of children. It was determined based on observation in classroom B 14 of 15 seats in a feeding table did not have safety straps.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure Staff are trained in and children are taught the proper use of all furniture, materials and equipment; will implement a plan for this information to be reviewed with both groups on an ongoing basis; and for monitoring proper and age-appropriate usage. The center will use safety straps.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2023

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.35(2) requires all swimming and wading pools to be inaccessible to children except during supervised activities. It was determined based on observation that the swimming pool gate was latched but not locked allowing children access to the pool.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure barriers are in place to make all swimming and wading pools inaccessible to children except during supervised activities.

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2023

Facility

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.19(1) - Please continue to monitor licensed capacity for classrooms and move children when needed.

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2023

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 hazards were present in the following classrooms:

A- In an unlocked cabinet under the diaper changing station were "Pampers" wipes, "Desitin and "Boudreaux's" diaper cream.

B- In an unlocked cabinet under the diaper changing station were diapers in plastic bags and plastic grocery bags. Also in an unlocked cabinet under the handwashing sink were plastic grocery bags, "Clorox" wipes, "Mr. Clean" antibacterial cleaner, "Fabuloso," "Lysol" disinfecting spray, and "First Defense" disinfecting spray.

C- In an unlocked cabinet under the handwashing sink were "Lysol" cleaner with bleach, "Lysol" disinfecting spray, "Comet" and "Scrubs" disinfecting wipes.

Items had the warning label "Keep out of Reach of Children"

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2023

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 that the following classrooms needed repairs to be completed.

D- Nine ceiling light bulbs needed replacing. Further, 15 ceiling tiles had water marks and needed replacing.

E- Two ceiling light bulbs needed replacing.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2023

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 classrooms C, D & E there were multiple cords in use accessible to children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to check outlets and replace protective caps when needed and identify and monitor how outlets in use are inaccessible to children. The center will secure cords in use, move behind furniture or remove items plugged in out of reach of children.

Correction Deadline: 7/21/2023

Recited on 7/20/2023

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

Please continue to fluff and redistribute resilient surfacing daily.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)	Met
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Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation during the summer break.

	Sleeping & Resting Equipment
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591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)	Not Met
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Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 requires that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate comfortably the size and weight of the child; and that mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and at least two inches (2") thick. It was determined based on observation that the following classrooms had mats worn with exposed foam.

D had 11 of 13.

E had 10 of 15.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate the size and weight of the child and mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and is at least two inches thick.

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2023

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided 1 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

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

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

Staffing and Supervision

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.