



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/26/2023 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 12:30 PM **Departure:** 5:00 PM

CCLC-22698

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
09/26/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
04/27/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
12/12/2022	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	A-Left Front	Two Year Olds	1	6	C	11	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B-Left Back	One Year Olds	1	6	C	11	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-Back infant	Infants	1	6	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D-Right Front	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	11	C	20	C	28	C	Nap
Main	E-Far Left (School-Age)		0	0	C	12	C	17	C	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 75					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 88					
Total # Children this Date: 29					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 88					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PGD	32	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct an incident investigation and follow up.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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 with the user id 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!

Sandra McInain-O'neal, Program Official

Date

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(Findings Report)

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

Activities and Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(2) requires that all equipment and furniture be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint; and be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that in classroom D, the bottom of the red and white shelf was damaged leaving particle board and screws exposed that posed a potential hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that equipment and furniture are in good repair and free from hazards.

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2023

Recited on 9/26/2023

Facility

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the following outdoor equipment items were in need of repair:

-Six out of Six tricycles had rust on the handlebars and posed a potential hazard. Two tricycles did not have a seat attached.

-The large sand and water table had a leg that was broken causing the table to not sit level and tilt that posed a potential hazard.

-Two small green and brown picnic tables were partially disassembled and were in need of being repaired or removed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2023

Recited on 9/26/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that the following playground hazards were observed:

-There was a stack of several wooden signs near the front of the playground that had nails present accessible to children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2023

Recited on 9/26/2023

	Organization
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591-1-1-.37 Inspections & Investigations

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.37(e) - The previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed accurate transportation records from September 18-22, 2023.

	Safety
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591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) requires that the interior of a transportation vehicle be clean, in safe repair and free of hazardous items, objects and/or other non-essential items which could cause injury. It was determined based on observation that there was trash and debris on the floor of the vehicle and that the vehicle was not kept clean and in safe repair as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will maintain that all transportation vehicles are clean, in safe repair, and free from hazards.

Correction Deadline: 9/27/2023

Recited on 9/26/2023

Correction Deadline: 4/28/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.36(7)(c) - The previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed passenger transportation checklist from September 18-22, 2023.

Correction Deadline: 4/28/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.36(7)(d)1. - The previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed passenger transportation checklist from September 18-22, 2023 and first check were documented.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.36(7)(d)2. - The previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed passenger transportation checklist from September 18-22, 2023 and second checks were completed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.30(1)(d) - The previous citation was corrected on this day. Consultant observes the infant cribs spaced more than 12 inches between each crib.

Staff Records

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.09(1)(a) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. Consultant observed staff member to have a valid and current Comprehensive Records Check.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.09(1)(c) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. Consultant observed staff member to have a valid and current Comprehensive Records Check.

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(j) requires that for portability for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training, only the most recently issued determination letter is eligible for portability and must be ported electronically. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. It was determined based on a review of documents that staff member #6 was not ported electronically.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will review background check rules and follow up to ensure that only the most recently issued determination letter is electronically ported for Directors, Employees and Provisional Employees, excluding Students-in-Training. A Center may accept a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination letter or a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination letter issued by the Department if the Records Check Clearance Date is within the preceding 12 months from the hire date, the individual has not had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, and the Center does not know or reasonably should not know that the individual's satisfactory status has changed. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will follow up to ensure the CRC rules are maintained to ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 9/29/2023

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/11/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.33(3) - The staff member is not employed at the center.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.32(2) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. Consultant observed the ratio in classroom C was six infant children and one staff member.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Corrected on 9/26/2023

.32(7) - The previous citation was corrected on this date. Consultant observed adequate supervision.