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Cover Sheet

Date: 5/11/2022 **VisitType:** Incident Investigation/Licensing Study

Arrival: 2:25 PM **Departure:** 3:25 PM

CCLC-35607

Childcare Network #225

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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.
05/11/2022	Incident Investigation/Licensing Study	Good Standing	
04/12/2022	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing	
04/11/2022	Incident Investigation/Monitoring Visit	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	1st Left	GA PreK	1	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Circle Time
Main	2nd Left	GA PreK	1	11	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	3rd Left	Four Year Olds	1	14	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	After School		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	Back Right	Two Year Olds	2	9	C	15	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	Front Right	One Year Olds	2	9	C	17	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Transitioning
Main	Left Side	Three Year Olds	2	16	C	24	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Middle	Infants	2	9	C	16	C	NA	NA	Nap, Floor Play, Diapering

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 157

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 81

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 157

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Main	40	C

Comments

May 25, 2022--An admin review was 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



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)

Charlesha Ellis, Program Official

Date

Penny Svenson, Consultant

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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)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director that toys were required to be cleaned with a disinfectant daily for children under three.

Correction Deadline: 5/11/2022

591-1-1.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)**Met****Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 6**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
Child # 6	Met

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records**Met****Comment**

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**Met****Comment**

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

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

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

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

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**Met****Comment**

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Met****Comment**

Please ensure that all food items are stored in airtight containers.

Health and Hygiene

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

Hand washing requirements for diapering were discussed with the director on this date.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.17(8) requires staff to wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for the day, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after diapering each child, dispensing medication, applying topical medications, handling and preparing food, eating, drinking, preparing bottles, feeding each child, assisting children with eating and drinking, after toileting or assisting children with toileting, using tobacco products, handling garbage and organic waste, touching animals or pets, handling bodily fluids and after contamination by any means. It was determined based on Consultant observation that a staff member did not wash their hands after they changed a diaper for an infant.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure liquid soap and warm running water are available for handwashing, train Staff on the handwashing requirements, review the requirements with Staff periodically, and monitor handwashing.

Correction Deadline: 5/11/2022

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**Met****Comment**

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Met****Comment**

Center does not keep animals on premises.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met****Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 19**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 09/24/2021

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 11/09/2016

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 02/01/2019

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 12/05/2005

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 07/09/2021

Records Reviewed: 19**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 02/22/2022	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 08/02/2021	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 08/10/2015	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/04/2008	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 04/14/2022	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 03/29/2022	
Staff # 12	Met
Staff # 13	Met
Date of Hire: 09/21/2020	
Staff # 14	Met
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 02/07/2021	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 02/18/2022	
Staff # 17	Met
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 02/03/2022	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 01/28/2022	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6

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.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the 10 Hour Health and Safety Orientation was only counted one time for annual training.

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

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

The following information is associated with a Incident Investigation Visit:

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

Correction Deadline: 4/12/2022

Corrected on 5/11/2022

Appropriate discipline was observed on the date of the visit.