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Date: 8/31/2023 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 8:55 AM **Departure:** 2:40 PM

CCLC-31603

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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.
08/31/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/14/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
11/07/2022	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 Right	Infants	1	5	C	16	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	B- 2nd Right		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	
Main	C- 3rd Right		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	D- 4th Right	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	29	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	E- 3rd Left		0	0	C	40	C	NA	NA	
Main	F- 2nd Left	Four Year Olds	2	9	C	30	C	NA	NA	Centers,Free Play
Main	G- 1st Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	14	C	27	C	NA	NA	Story
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 175					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 43					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- 1st Playground	51	C
Main	PG- 2nd Left Playground	30	C
Main	PG- Right Playground	19	C
Main	PG-Back Playground	86	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Licensing Study.

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!

Ashley Frazier, Program Official	Date
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Kaycee Purvis, Lead Consultant	Date
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Ashley Richards, Regional Consultant	Date
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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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.03(2) - Please ensure that Lesson Plans are updated and posted weekly.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2023

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

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Evening Care

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

N/A

Comment

Provider stated that they do not provide evening care hours.

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)**Not Met****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(11) - Please ensure that floor coverings are tight and smooth.

Correction Deadline: 9/30/2023

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 upon observation that the following hazards were accessible to children on this date:

Room Main D

- A bottle of liquid hand soap was located on the children's sink that read "Keep out of reach of children".

Room Main F

- A bottle containing an unknown substance, a can of Clean Linen Glade spray, one bottle of Tru Clean disinfectant, a pack of Cuties Sensitive baby wipes, and a bottle of Kidgets hair and body wash were in an unlocked cabinet under the sink used for hand washing.

Room Main G

- The diaper changing table had an unlocked door on the left side that contained multiple trash bags.
- Two packs of Huggies Simply Clean baby wipes, a pack of generic fragrance free baby wipes, a pack of Kirkland baby wipes, a pack of Member's Mark premium baby wipes, a pack of Parent's Choice baby wipes were in children's cubbies.
- One bottle of Equate Sunscreen was inside a child's cubby.

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: 8/31/2023

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(3) - Please ensure that the back door frame of room Main F is repaired at the bottom on both sides.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2023

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based upon observation that the gate connecting the 1st Playground and the Back Playground had five exposed bolts measuring over two threads on this date. It was further determined based upon observation that the fencing did not measure four feet as required in the following sections:

1st Playground

- The back right fencing measured three feet and eleven inches when four feet was required.

2nd Left Playground

- The back left fencing measured three feet and nine inches when four feet was required.

Back Playground

- The gate connecting the 1st Playground and the Back Playground had five exposed bolts measuring over two threads.
- The left side fencing measured three feet and ten inches when four feet was required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2023

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(6) - Please ensure that outdoor equipment is 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.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2023

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(7) - Please ensure that heavy playground equipment is bolted to the ground as required per manufacturer's instructions.

Correction Deadline: 9/10/2023

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Please ensure that over growth on playground fencing is cut back and inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2023

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.17(7) - Please ensure that children wash their hands upon contact with bodily fluids.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2023

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(4)(f)1. - Please ensure that all transported children are secured in a child passenger restraining system or seat safety belt in accordance with current state and federal laws and regulations and according to manufacturer's directions.

Correction Deadline: 9/1/2023

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. The Consultants and Director discussed using coverings for cots when not in use.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 - Please ensure that crib sheets are tight fitting.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2023

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/7/2022

Corrected on 8/31/2023

.32(2) - Correction of previous citation in that the Consultants observed adequate Staff:Child ratios on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.