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Date: 11/1/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:35 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

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Quality Rated:

Compliance Zone Designation		
11/01/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
04/10/2023	ILS with PTO	Good Standing
01/26/2023	Initial Licensing Study	Good Standing

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.

Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
BUILDING II	H		0	0	C	40	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 40			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Main	A	GA PreK	2	13	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers,Free Play
Main	B	Infants	1	2	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C	One Year Olds	1	5	C	10	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	D		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	E	Three Year Olds	1	5	C	31	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	F	Two Year Olds	2	13	C	18	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	G		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 126			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 38		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 166			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	108	C
Main	B	28	C
Main	C	24	C
Main	D	3	C

Comments
The purpose of this visit was to conduct Monitoring Visit and to follow-up to the previous visit conducted on January 26, 2023.

Consultant provided contact information on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/01/2023

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.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.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)

QUALITY RATED CHILD CARE

CAPS

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 a1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!

Omotola Morakinyo, Program Official	Date	Shannon Curtis, Process & QI Unit Consultant	Date

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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) **Met**

Comment
Discussed adding equipment and toys to enhance variety.

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

Comment
Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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**

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 observations a plastic bag was observed in the bottom cubby area in Room C, staff bag located on front table of entrance to Room A, a bag that pertained aerosol spray in Room A , multiple brooms observed on the side of the yellow storage unit and a ethernet cord hanging and accessible to children in care on this date.

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: 11/1/2023

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

Technical Assistance
Consultant discussed with the Owner to repair:

* the poured mulch on playground D that is gaping
* the white PVC pipe that has a hole in it
* small wooden gazebo with peeling pant
* exposed concrete at the bottom of climbing equipment and in the upper right corner near front fence

Per discussion with the Owner the repairs will be repaired through the Health and Safety grant approval on this date.

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 on observations a gap measuring approximately six inches was observed on the front right side gate facing the front parking lot area on this date.

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: 11/1/2023

Finding
591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observations that the fall zones under the yellow slide and climbing equipment did not have adequate resilient surfacing beneath the equipment on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 11/11/2023

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 observations that the playground area consisted of hazardous items such as a plastic bag, empty soda can and paper plates on this date,

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: 11/1/2023

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) **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 observations staff were observed not washing their hands after cleaning a child's nose in care on this date.

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: 11/1/2023

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

Comment
Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
Consultant discussed with Staff to monitor how they use redirection in moving children from one place to another.

Technical Assistance
Consultant discussed with the Director/Owner to please be mindful of voice tone in redirecting children.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Comment
Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Technical Assistance
Consultant discussed with the Director/Owner to maintain proof of annual vehicle inspections on the agency approved form on this date.Consultant observed last vehicle inspection receipt as of August 24, 2023 on this date.

Technical Assistance
The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date. Consultant discussed with the Director/Owner to please replace expired ointments as required on this date.

Comment
The vehicle was checked for compliance. Proper restraints were observed. Consultant discussed with the Director/Owner to monitor interior for exposed foam on the vehicle seats on this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on observation that three (3) of three (3) crib sheets were not tight-fitting.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 11/17/2023

Recited on 11/1/2023

Staff Records

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

Comment
Director provided two files for employees hired since last visit.

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**

Comment
Adequate supervision observed on this date.

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

Comment
Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.