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Date: 3/28/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:25 AM **Departure:** 3:30 PM

CCLC-213

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Quality Rated: ★

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.
03/28/2023	Monitoring Visit	Deficient	
11/21/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
11/18/2022	Complaint Investigation & 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
BLD II	A		0	0	C	74	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 74			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Main	2nd right		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	3rd Center	GA PreK	2	12	C	20	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	A, 1st Left	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	14	C	NA	NA	Outside,Lunch
Main	B, 2nd Left		0	0	C	9	C	NA	NA	
Main	C, 3rd Left	Two Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	D, 1st Right	Four Year Olds	1	15	C	19	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	E, 1st center, infants	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play,Diapering, Nap
Main	G, 2nd Center	GA PreK	2	10	C	19	C	NA	NA	Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 133			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 69			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 207							
			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
BLD II	A	227	C
Main	Back	22	C
Main	Large left	132	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring Visit. This visit was completed as part of the Child Care Services Quality Assurance Initiative.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 04/12/2023

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.dec.al.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)



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.al.ga.gov 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-.03 Activities

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.03(9) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that center staff were observed to refrain from engaging in, or allowing children or other adults to engage in, activities that could be detrimental to child's health or well-being, such as but not limited to, horse play, rough play, wrestling, and picking up a child in a manner that could cause injury on this date.

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(2) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure all equipment and furniture were in good repair and able to be thoroughly cleaned on this date, as vinyl furniture in two classrooms were observed to have tears with foam exposed and one classroom had a bookshelf with the bottom detached on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(3) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure that chairs were not stacked on tables or near napping children on this date. Chairs cannot be stacked when children were present and active.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Comment

Pool not in use at this time, gates observed locked.

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.06(4) requires a Center first licensed after March 1, 1991, and Centers that remodel or add to existing plumbing facilities, to have the bathroom area fully enclosed and ventilated to the outside of the building with either an open screened window or functioning exhaust fan and duct system and requires Centers without fully enclosed bathrooms to ensure there is adequate ventilation to control odors and adequate sanitation measures to prevent the spread of contagious diseases. It was determined based on observation that the bathrooms in the 2nd Right Classroom, the 3rd Center Classroom, and Room G, 2nd Center Center were observed to be not to be working properly on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

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) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure the rugs in the classrooms were straightened to where they were smooth and tight to avoid the potential tripping hazard.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2023

Finding

591-1-1-.25(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. It was determined based on observation that the carpet was observed to be frayed in Room D, 1st Right near the floor air vent and in Classroom A in Building II on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/31/2023

Recited on 3/28/2023

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 on observation that the following potential hazards were observed:

- 3rd Center Classroom – Two screwdrivers, adult scissors, and a tape dispenser with a serrated edge were observed to be accessible in storage drawers on top of a shelf on this date. The red top of the bin containing the waffle blocks in the block center was observed to be cracked and broken with sharp edges and accessible to children in the Block Center. The broom and dust pan were observed accessible to children in the corner of the classroom.
- Room A, 1st Left – Plastic bags were observed accessible to children in cubbies. A bottle of hand sanitizer, a container of Oxivir TB wipes, and a tape dispenser with a serrated edge were observed accessible to children on a low table on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

Recited on 3/28/2023

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 potential hazards were observed:

- Room A, 1st Left – The air vent in the classroom, which was observed at the children’s level, was observed to have rust. The ventilation fans in the bathrooms were observed to have a layer of dust on this date.
- Room D, 1st Right – The ventilation fans in the bathrooms were observed to have a layer of dust on this date. The light shield in the Girls’ Bathroom was observed to be missing on this date. One of two handwashing sinks was observed to not be in working order on this date.
- Room E, 1st Center – A baseboard located to the right of the back door to the classroom was observed to be detached from the wall.
- 2nd Right Classroom - The left side of the counter of the handwashing sink near the wall was observed to be detached from the counter on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2023

Recited on 3/28/2023

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(4) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure that the bolts on the fences facing the playgrounds were cut to two threads or covered on this date. Please also ensure the gates on the Large Left Playground on the front and the Building II A Playground near the buses were completely closed and latched on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

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 potential equipment hazards were observed in the playground:

- Back Playground - One black bucket seat was observed to have the front part torn off on this date.
- Left, Toddlers Playground - The red car was observed to have one yellow steering wheel that was broken on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2023

Recited on 3/28/2023

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 observation that the resilient surface was observed to be insufficient in the fall zones around the playground equipment on the Back Playground and the Large Left Playground on this date. It was further determined that there was less than one inch of resilient surfacing on the Building II A Playground, as grass was observed growing through the resilient surface on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/21/2023

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 active ant beds were observed present on the Large Left Playground and the Building II A Playground on this date. It was further determined that mushrooms were observed growing in front of the red car on the Large Left Playground on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/4/2023

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.15(3) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, that all baby bottles were observed to be labeled with the individual child's name on this date.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/28/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.18(2) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the ceiling in the kitchen was observed to be in good repair on this date.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

N/A

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

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

Comment

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

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 five of ten seats were observed to have tears on Bus #207 with tag CVZ2936 on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/4/2023**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(7)(b) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure that the children's emergency vehicle medical records contain the information, including the name and phone number, for the children's primary physician and emergency contact on this date.

Correction Deadline: 3/29/2023

Correction Deadline: 11/19/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.36(7)(c)2. - Previous citation corrected based on review of records in that the driver documented in writing, with a check or other mark/symbol to account for each child on the passenger transportation checklist each time the children entered and exited the vehicle.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.30(1)(a)3 - Previous citation corrected based on observation in that the cribs were observed to have tight-fitting sheets on this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure that cots stored in the children's activity room or area, were stored covered to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space.

Correction Deadline: 3/28/2023

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.09(1)(j) - Previous citation corrected based on review of records in that all staff had evidence of a satisfactory comprehensive Criminal Records Check determination letter on file on this date.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 12/18/2022

Corrected on 3/28/2023

.33(3) - Previous citation corrected based on review of records in that all staff hired more than 90 days ago had evidence of completing the Health and Safety Orientation training on this date.

Finding

91-1-1-.33(5) requires that every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained, as required by these rules. It was determined based on review of records that staff member #7 had not completed the annual ten (10) hours of diverse training for the 2022 calendar year as required.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2023

Recited on 3/28/2023

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.