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Date: 5/8/2024 **VisitType:** LS POI Follow Up

Arrival: 11:00 AM **Departure:** 2:30 PM

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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.
05/08/2024	LS POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
05/31/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
06/16/2022	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 Building #96	C 16-24 Months	Two Year Olds	2	18	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main Building #96	Rm. A- Infants	Infants	3	12	C	12	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Nap, Feeding, Floor Play
Main Building #96	Rm. B- 2's Potty Trained	Three Year Olds	2	19	C	19	C	NA	NA	Lunch, Transitioning
Main Building #96	Rm. D- 12mth-35mth	One Year Olds	2	12	C	19	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			69		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 61			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 69		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main Building #96	Playground	58	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a LS POI/Fu.

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.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.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 LS POI Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

N/A

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

Technical Assistance

591-1-1.25(12) - The Consultant and the Provider discussed ensuring that the cooling equipment that is accessible to children in the classrooms are protected by a barrier.

Correction Deadline: 5/8/2024

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:

Children's Bathroom in Classroom B:

- One Masterline Insect and Mouse glue pad on the window sill.
- One Masterline Insect and Mouse glue pad on the floor behind the washer.
- Two bottles of Xtra Laundry Detergent on the window sill.

Children's Bathroom in Classroom C:

- Two gallons of Genesis Alcohol Antiseptic hand sanitizer on the bottom shelf on the left side of the children's bathroom.
- One can of Lysol Disinfectant Spray on the middle shelf on the left side of the children's bathroom.
- A soiled O-Cedar Easy Wring mop by the children's handwashing sink.

Classroom C:

- A staff bag on the floor under the bulletin board on the back left side of the classroom.
- A staff bag hanging under the children's cubbies along with the children's bags. The staff bag was observed to be open and contained one pack of Marlboro cigarettes and a bottle of over the counter pain medication.

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: 5/8/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.25(17) requires that the Center premises be free of plants and shrubs which are poisonous or hazardous. It was determined based upon observation that there were thorny vines growing through the fencing on the back right side of the Playground. It was further determined that there were thorny vines growing through the fencing on the back left corner of Playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The harmful item will be removed.

Correction Deadline: 5/17/2024

Recited on 5/8/2024

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 upon observation that there was a missing tile in the back right corner under the window exposing concrete in the children's bathroom in Classroom C. It was further determined that the vent on the back left wall was rusted in the children's bathroom in Classroom B. It was also determined that there was a black ring of mildew around the toilet bowl in two out of two toilets in the children's bathroom in Classroom C.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 5/15/2024

Recited on 5/8/2024

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(6) - The Consultant and the Provider discussed ensuring that the outdoor play equipment is maintained and free of potential hazards.

Correction Deadline: 5/18/2024

Food Service

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.18(3) - The Consultant and the Provider discussed ensuring that the kitchen area where food is prepared has proper ventilation.

Correction Deadline: 5/18/2024

Health and Hygiene**591-1-1-.07 Children's Health****Met**

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2023

Corrected on 5/8/2024

.07(5) - Previous citation observed to be corrected in that the Consultant did not observe hazardous items to be attached to children's clothing or around their necks on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2023

Corrected on 5/8/2024

.10(4) - Previous citation observed to be corrected in that the Consultant observed the diaper changing surface to be in good repair on this date.

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

591-1-1-.17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based upon observation that a three-year-old child's hands were not washed with liquid soap and warm running water immediately after diapering as required in Classroom B. It was further determined that the children did not wash their hands before eating lunch as required in Classroom B.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff on required handwashing for children and Staff will ensure children's hands are washed when required. The Director will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 5/8/2024

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 upon observation that a staff member did not immediately wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water immediately after diapering as required in Classroom B.

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: 5/8/2024

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

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2023

Corrected on 5/8/2024

.20(1) - Previous citation observed to be corrected in that the Provider stated that the center no longer dispenses medication to children on this date.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2023

Corrected on 5/8/2024

.30(2) - Previous citation observed to be corrected in that the Consultant observed a safe sleep environment on this date.

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2023

Corrected on 5/8/2024

.30(2)(c) - Previous citation observed to be corrected in that the staff members stated that staff members immediately move a sleeping infant from equipment to a safety-approved crib on this date.

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: 5/31/2023

Corrected on 5/8/2024

.32(2) - Previous citation observed to be corrected in that the Consultant observed proper Staff:child ratios on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.