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Date: 9/10/2024 VisitType: Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 8:35 AM Departure: 11:00 AM

CCLC-771
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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.
09/10/2024	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/16/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/07/2023	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
1	A	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
1	B	Infants	1	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap,Floor Play,Free Play
1	C	One Year Olds	1	8	C	9	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Floor Play
1	D	Three Year Olds	1	14	C	17	C	24	C	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 54					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
2	PreK Mobile	GA PreK	2	11	C	24	C	31	C	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 24					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 51			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 78			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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Enrolled Children						
Under 1 years	1 years	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years (Prekonly)	5 years and older
5	8	16	15	13	0	30

Comments

An in person Monitoring Visit was conducted on this day. The center director stated no medication is administered and no swimming activities are provided. Field trips were not provided over the summer however, the center plans to conduct field trips this fall. Routine transportation is provided. The director stated there is a total of fifteen staff with four staff being newly hired since the last visit from BFTS.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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 user id 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!



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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

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

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. The consultant observed a total of fifty one children to be present during this visit.

591-1-1-25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/16/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this day.

Comment

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. The center director stated that the center has had multiple conversations with Playground Solutions regarding their concerns of the outcome and conditioning of the surfacing. Playground Solutions will be sending someone to the center to inspect the conditioning of the poured surfacing. The center plans to seek litigation if Playground Solutions doesn't replace the surfacing. The poured resilient surface is fraying on all sides and corners of the surfaced area.

There are 2 seven inch cracks in the poured surfacing on the left back corner.

There is a six inch by three inch area where the poured surface is missing near the light blue climber.

There is five separate places located by the light blue and green slide, closest to the ladder where poured surface is missing.

There is a split where the seam is showing and beginning to fray from the front middle to the back middle of the poured surface square.

The dark blue climber is not anchored and moves when children are playing on it. If removed, this will leave four holes which poses a hazard to the children.

Defer

591-1-1-.26(7)-This citation is being deferred to the next regulatory visit. The center has had multiple conversations of their concerns with the outcome of the poured surfacing. Playground Solutions is sending someone to inspect the poured surfacing. The blue climber is marked off with orange tape and the children are not allowed to utilize this piece of equipment. If the center removes this equipment it will leave four holes which will also pose a hazard to the children. The center is allowing Playground Solutions a chance to fix their concerns of the surfacing and prepared to seek litigation.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove or repair equipment that is not anchored and will regularly inspect the equipment to ensure it remains anchored.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2024

Recited on 1/1/0001

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

Correction Deadline: 2/16/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.10(4) The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this day.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

Correction Deadline: 2/16/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.17(7) - The previous citation was corrected on this day.

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

Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time. The center plans to take a field trip this fall.

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

Comment

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

Comment

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Comment

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

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director 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.

Comment

Director provided 4 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR **Met**

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Met**

Correction Deadline: 3/17/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.33(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this day.

Correction Deadline: 2/16/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.33(5) - The previous citation is corrected on this date. One of the three staff members have completed annual hours of training and the other two staff members are no longer employed.

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

Correction Deadline: 2/16/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.31(2)(b)2. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. The previous staff member who didn't have educational credentials is now an assistant. Other lead teachers have credentials or a PLP on file.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.