



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/5/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:45 AM **Departure:** 12:45 PM

CCLC-51464

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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.
01/05/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
07/27/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
07/18/2022	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
Main	Room A	Infants and One Year Olds	1	7	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	Room B		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	Outside,Not In Use
Main	Room C	Two Year Olds	1	6	C	29	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room D	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	19	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 76			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Centers Request					
Total # Children this Date: 28			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 76		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	162	C

Comments

An onsite visit was conducted.
 CBC was discussed.
 Required Reporting was discussed.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/05/2023

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.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!

Bernice Archie, Program Official

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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

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

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities. No pool on property.

Children's Records

591-1-1.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

Corrected on 1/5/2023

.08(1) - Consultant observed children to have the correct date of birth printed on the enrollment application as required.

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)

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/29/2022

Corrected on 1/5/2023

.25(3) - Consultant observed the cabinet beneath the diapering changing surface to be repaired and working properly.

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

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.26(9)- Consultant will review this rule during the next regulatory visit. Consultant observed the window to be repaired. However, change in weather to cause crack.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will repair the broken glass window. The center will monitor the playground daily for hazards.

Correction Deadline: 1/13/2023

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.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

Corrected on 1/5/2023

.17(7)(a) - Staff stated proper knowledge of the diapering and hand washing procedure.

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

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.20(1)- This rule has been deferred until the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff to obtain and review parental authorizations to ensure the authorization contains complete information. The designated person(s) will monitor daily.

Correction Deadline: 1/5/2023

Recited on 1/1/0001

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

Corrected on 1/5/2023

.20(3) - Consultant observed the medication dispense form to be completed by the staff as required.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals

Met

Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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)

Met

Comment

Per the center director the program does not provide routine transportation.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

Corrected on 1/5/2023

.09(1)(a) - Consultant observed all program staff to have applications submitted to the Department for the issuance of a Satisfactory Comprehensive Criminal Records Check Determination letters issued by the Department.

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

Corrected on 1/5/2023

.09(1)(c) - Consultant observed program staff to have valid evidence of a Satisfactory Comprehensive Criminal Records Check Determination letters issued by the Department.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.33(2) requires the initial Center orientation to include the following subjects: the Center's policies and procedures; the portions of these rules dealing with the care, health and safety of children; the Staff person's assigned duties and responsibilities; reporting requirements for suspected cases of child abuse, neglect or deprivation; communicable diseases and serious injuries; emergency weather plans; the program's emergency preparedness plan; childhood injury control; the administration of medicine; reducing the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS); hand washing; fire safety; water safety; and prevention of HIV/AIDS and blood borne pathogens. It was determined based on review of records that two staff did not have valid proof of orientation within 90 days of their hire date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide orientation in all missing subjects to the employee(s) and will take steps to provide a complete orientation to new Employees in the future.

Correction Deadline: 1/6/2023

Defer

591-1-1-.33(4)- Consultant will review this rule during the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will schedule food preparation training, as required, and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)- Consultant will review this rule during the next regulatory visit scheduled.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 8/17/2022

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

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2.- Consultant will review this rule during the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

A teacher/lead caregiver will be hired that meets the minimum academic requirements and qualifying work experience.

Correction Deadline: 7/18/2022

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.