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Cover Sheet

Date: 8/1/2022 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:40 AM **Departure:** 11:15 AM

CCLC-54735

R&L Mini Miracles Childcare Learning Center

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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.
08/01/2022	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
06/16/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/04/2021	Initial 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	A (2L) - 6wks-12mths	Infants and One Year Olds	1	4	C	4	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B (1L) - 1's and 2's	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	8	C	11	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	C (1R) 3-12 yrs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	13	C	12	NC	NA	NA	Outside
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 27			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 25			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 27			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- 6wks - 12 yrs	25	C

Comments

On this date, the consultant followed up to previous visit and conducted an on-site Plan of Improvement Follow Up visit. The Consultant completed exit conference virtually and a copy of the visit report was electronically emailed to the Program on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/01/2022

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/Regulations.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



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!

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)

Tara Dixon, Program Official

Date

Melyn Smith, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined, based on observation, that the wooden cubbies in Room C (1R) were observed to be not anchored and could easily be tipped over on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the identified equipment or furniture and any other such existing or future items are secured adequately and will have a system for checking these for stability.

Correction Deadline: 8/12/2022

Recited on 8/1/2022

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation that 13 children were observed present in Room C (1R), which was licensed for 12 on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2022

Recited on 8/1/2022

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Met****Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/16/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.25(11) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the flooring in the center was observed to be smooth, tight, and in good repair on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.25(13) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that no hazards were observed accessible to children on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/8/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.25(17) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the Center premises were observed to be free of plants and shrubs which were poisonous or hazardous on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/1/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.25(3) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the Center and the surrounding premises were observed to be kept clean, free of debris, and in good repair on this date.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical**Met**

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.25(19) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the Center was observed to only use approved areas for children's activity on this date.

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

Correction Deadline: 7/1/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.26(9) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the playground was observed to be kept clean, free of litter, and free of hazards on this date.

Safety

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)**Met**

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.13(2) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records and staff statement, in that the center was no longer participating in field trips and had no plans to participate in field trips in the future.

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

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.36(4)(c) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that each vehicle to be used for routine transportation were observed to be equipped with a working fire extinguisher on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.36(4)(f)1. - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that both vehicles to be used for routine transportation on this date were observed to have a sufficient number of child passenger restraining systems or seat safety belts for children who will be transported on this date.

Defer

591-1-1-.36(7)(a) - This citation was deferred and will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit due to the Center not beginning routine transportation until the Columbia County school year begins on August 4, 2022.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Center's information and the children's information is included on each vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Defer

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)2.- This citation was deferred and will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit due to the Center not beginning routine transportation until the Columbia County school year begins on August 4, 2022.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The driver/other designated person will immediately document in writing with a check/mark/symbol each time a child gets on and off the vehicle.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Defer

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)3.- This citation was deferred and will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit due to the Center not beginning routine transportation until the Columbia County school year begins on August 4, 2022.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that each time of arrival and departure is documented by the driver or designated person with training, review and monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Defer

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)1.- This citation was deferred and will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit due to the Center not beginning routine transportation until the Columbia County school year begins on August 4, 2022.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Defer

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)2.- This citation was deferred and will be evaluated at the next regulatory visit due to the Center not beginning routine transportation until the Columbia County school year begins on August 4, 2022.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will train Staff who are or may be involved in transporting children in how to thoroughly inspect a vehicle and properly complete transportation documentation. The Center will review and monitor.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.30(1)(b) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that a cot or mat was observed provided for each child who was required to take a mat. The center was observed to have extra mats to use if needed.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.30(1)(b)3 - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that all mats were observed to have a sheet or similar covering on this date.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022

Corrected on 8/1/2022

.30(1)(d) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation and staff statement, in that sleeping and resting equipment were arranged to where there was a minimum of 24 inch corridor between each row of sleeping or resting equipment and a minimum of 12 inches between each sleeping or resting equipment in each row of equipment. Staff stated that children were placed on mats so that one child's head was toward another child's feet in the same row to reduce the transfer of airborne diseases.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 12

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 06/16/2022

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 10/07/2020

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 05/09/2022

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 03/25/2022

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 10/04/2021

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 02/08/2022

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 10/25/2021

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 03/04/2022

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 08/10/2022

Staff # 12

Met

Date of Hire: 03/18/2021

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)**

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Correction Deadline: 6/16/2022**Corrected on 8/1/2022****.09(1)(a)** - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that every employee identified by the Center had a comprehensive satisfactory criminal records check determination letter on file on this date.**Correction Deadline: 6/16/2022****Corrected on 8/1/2022****.09(1)(c)** - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that every employee identified by the Center had a comprehensive satisfactory criminal records check determination letter that was no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date on file on this date.**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/26/2022**Corrected on 8/1/2022****.14(3)** - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the Center had a first aid kit in the Center and in the two vehicles identified as the vehicles to be used for routine transportation on this date.**Staffing and Supervision****591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)**

Met

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022**Corrected on 8/1/2022****.32(2)** - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the Center was observed to maintain Staff:child ratios in mixed-age groups on this date. The Consultant observed appropriate Staff:child ratios in every operating classroom on this date.**Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022****Corrected on 8/1/2022****.32(4)** - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that children under three-years-old were observed to be housed in separate physical areas from older children on this date.**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**

Met

Comment

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

Correction Deadline: 6/28/2022**Corrected on 8/1/2022****.32(7)** - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that watchful oversight and direct supervision were observed in every operating classroom on this date.

