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Cover Sheet

Date: 3/25/2022 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:50 AM **Departure:** 12:50 PM

CCLC-36295

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The subreport 'ComplianceZone' could not be found at the specified location myKoalaService.Reports.RDLC.subComplianceZone.rdlc. Please verify that the subreport has been published and that the name is correct.

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- 1st Left	Infants	2	5	C	21	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B- 2nd Left		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	C- 3rd Left		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	E- 1st Right	Three Year Olds	2	21	C	22	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	F- 2nd Right	GA PreK	2	17	C	25	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	G- 3rd Right	GA PreK	2	15	C	25	C	NA	NA	Nap,Transitionin g
Main	H- 4th Right		0	0	C	27	C	NA	NA	
Main	I-5th Right		0	0	C	36	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 193					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 58					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 193					
					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A: Infant Toddler	19	C
Main	Playground B: Preschool	96	C
Main	Playground C: School Age	50	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Complaint Investigation and follow up to previous citations.

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/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)

Connie Nudo, Program Official

Date

LaToya Longshore, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Health and Hygiene

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

Defer

Defer

This rule will be reviewed at the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure there is a smooth, nonporous changing surface that has a guard or rails for safety in each classroom that houses children wearing diapers. Center Staff will be trained and have adequate supplies to properly clean the diaper changing surface between each diaper change.

Correction Deadline: 3/14/2022

Safety

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

Defer

Defer

This rule will be reviewed at the next regulatory visit.

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: 3/15/2022

Defer

This rule will be reviewed at the next regulatory visit.

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: 3/15/2022

Defer

This rule will be reviewed at the next regulatory visit.

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: 3/15/2022

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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.

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Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/21/2020	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 07/26/2021	
Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 10/12/2020	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 01/13/2020	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 08/28/2019	
Staff # 7	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 07/28/2014	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 10/07/2019	
Staff # 11	Met
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 07/27/2020	

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 11/10/2021	
Staff # 15	Met
Staff # 16	Met
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 07/01/2013	
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 08/31/2020	
Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 08/17/2017	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 01/08/2019	
Staff # 21	Met
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 08/19/2019	
Staff # 23	Met
Date of Hire: 07/25/2016	
Staff # 24	Met
Staff # 25	Met
Date of Hire: 02/01/2021	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 8

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)	Met
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Correction Deadline: 3/14/2022

Corrected on 3/25/2022

Previous citation corrected. Staff records have been reviewed with current satisfactory Comprehensive Records checks on file.