



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 11/16/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 1:05 PM

Departure: 4:10 PM

CCLC-37567

Discovery Point #1

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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.
11/16/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/14/2023	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
08/03/2023	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	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	1 Left	Infants	4	12	C	26	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap,Diapering
Main	1 Right	Two Year Olds	3	13	C	23	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	2 Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	4	13	C	23	C	NA	NA	Snack,Circle Time
Main	2 Right	Two Year Olds	2	17	C	21	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	3 Right	GA PreK	2	18	C	23	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Back Left	GA PreK	3	16	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	Back Right	GA PreK	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Dining/Multi Purpose		0	0	C	32	C	NA	NA	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 187

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 104

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	210	C

Comments

A monitoring visit was conducted on this date.

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.al.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.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Melissa Singley, Program Official

Date

Beth Holland, Regional Consultant

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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.

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.

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

Comment

Center appears clean and well maintained.

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

Met

Comment

Trees located on the site or that encroach onto the site from adjacent properties may have structural issues that present an elevated level of risk. Consider having these trees inspected by a certified arborist to determine their structural integrity and associated levels of risk.

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: 9/14/2023

Corrected on 11/16/2023

.17(2) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that all children were observed to be clean, dry and comfortable.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting **Met**

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2023

Corrected on 11/16/2023

.29(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that staff stated required reporting procedures.

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) **Met**

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2023

Corrected on 11/16/2023

.36(10) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that appropriate supervision was observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2023

Corrected on 11/16/2023

.36(7)(c)2. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected when consultant observed staff conduct a second check and complete the necessary paperwork.

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2023

Corrected on 11/16/2023

.36(7)(c)3. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that a review of documents showed completed transportation checklists for the month of October and November 1-15, 2023

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2023

Corrected on 11/16/2023

.36(7)(d)1. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that a review of documents showed that a first check was documented on the checklists. Consultant observed driver calling children out of the bus one at a time, using the roll call sheet.

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2023

Corrected on 11/16/2023

.36(7)(d)2. - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that consultant observed staff conduct a second check. Consultant reviewed records. Records showed a second check was documented.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Please ensure that cribs/cots are labeled for individual use.

Staff Records

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

Comment

Director provided six file(s) for employees hired since last visit on September 14, 2023.

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

Met

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

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

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/14/2023

Corrected on 11/16/2023

.32(7) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that children were observed to be supervised by staff