



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/16/2025 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up

Arrival: 10:05 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-52745

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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.
01/16/2025	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
01/08/2025	Initial-TA	NA	
11/14/2024	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Support	

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	Infants	2	10	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Feeding
Main	B	Infants	3	10	C	16	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Diapering
Main	C	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	22	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	D	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	13	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	E	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	19	C	29	C	NA	NA	Circle Time,Diapering
Main	F (playroom)	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	4	32	C	45	C	NA	NA	Centers
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 132			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Playground Limitations		
Total # Children this Date: 106		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 132			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground (Main)	47	C
Main	A (right)	26	C
Main	B (back)	18	C

Comments

A POI Follow Up visit was conducted on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed 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.decal.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@decal.ga.gov 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 POI Follow Up:

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2024

Corrected on 1/16/2025

.08(1)(a) - This citation was corrected on this date in that based on a review of records Child #1, #2, #3, and #4 did have a statement regarding special needs and allergies in their files.

Facility

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

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 11/21/2024

Corrected on 1/16/2025

.26(4) - This citation was corrected on this date in that based on observation, the corner gate on the right playground was repaired so that it no longer had a gap that posed an entrapment hazard.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on observation that there were thorny vines growing through the fences on the side of Playground A and Playground B as well as the fence between the two playgrounds and alongside the left side of the wood barrier on Playground A.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

Correction Deadline: 1/23/2025

Recited on 1/16/2025

Policies and Procedures

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2024

Corrected on 1/16/2025

.21(3) - This citation was corrected on this date in that based on a review of records, the Center conducted emergency drills in November and December 2024.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2024

Corrected on 1/16/2025

.30(1)(a)3 - This citation was corrected on this date in that based on observation, the crib sheets in both infant rooms were tight fitting.

Staff Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 11/27/2024

Corrected on 1/16/2025

.14(2) - This citation was corrected on this date in that based on a review of records and the director's statement, Staff #26 no longer worked at the Center and there were no other new employees who had not completed the biennial training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in first aid within 90 days of hire as required.

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.24(1) requires the center to maintain a personnel file on the Director, all Employees, Provisional Employees, Personnel, Staff, Students-in-Training, Volunteers, Clerical, Housekeeping, Maintenance, and other Support Staff for the duration of the term of employment plus one calendar year, and it shall contain the following: identifying information to include: name, date of birth, social security number, current address and current telephone number; employment history; as applicable to the position held: evidence of education and qualifying work experience; evidence of all training required by these rules which shall include: title of training, date of training, trainer's signature, location of training and number of clock hours obtained; a statement completed by the staff member that the information provided is true and accurate; any other records required by these rules; and as applicable to the position held, evidence of required orientation including date and signature of person providing the orientation; It was determined based on a review of records that Staff #5, Staff #8, Staff #11, Staff #13, Staff #19, Staff #24, and Staff #26 did not have evidence of required orientation including date and signature of the person providing the orientation on file as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will secure required information for all Personnel. The Center will ensure that complete information is in the personnel file for all Directors, Employees, Provisional Employees, Personnel, Staff, Students-in-Training, Volunteers, Clerical, Housekeeping, Maintenance and other Support Staff.

Correction Deadline: 1/23/2025

Recited on 1/16/2025

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 11/27/2024

Corrected on 1/16/2025

.33(3) - This citation was corrected on this date in that based on a review of records and the director's statement, Staff #26 no longer works at the Center and there are no other new employees who had not completed the health and safety orientation training within 90 days of employment as required.

Finding

91-1-1-.33(5) requires that every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained, as required by these rules. It was determined based on a review of records that Staff #35 had not completed ten (10) clock hours of diverse training for 2024 as required.

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: 12/31/2025

Recited on 1/16/2025