



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/3/2024

VisitType: Complaint Investigation &
Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:10 AM **Departure:** 5:00 PM

CCLC-37337

Childcare Network #241

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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.
07/03/2024	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
04/16/2024	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/01/2023	Monitoring Visit	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/1R	Infants	1	5	C	17	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Nap
Main	B/2R	One Year Olds	2	11	C	19	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Free Play
Main	C/3R		0	0	C	18	C	NA	NA	
Main	D/4R		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	E/Mid/1R	Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	18	C	22	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	F/Mid/2R		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	
Main	G/Mid/3R	Four Year Olds	2	110	C	23	NC	NA	NA	Outside
Main	H/1L	Three Year Olds	2	15	C	22	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	I/2L	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	11	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	J/3L	Two Year Olds	4	14	C	23	C	NA	NA	Music

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 205

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 184

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Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A	11	C
Main	PG B	22	C
Main	PG C	83	C
Main	PG D	176	C

Comments

An on-site inspection was conducted on July 3, 2024 with the Director Cynthia Jeffries. Background checks were all reviewed on July 4, 2024.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/03/2024

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:

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 CAPS/ QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward an initial star rating. Provisional Status eligibility will be determined at the time of CAPS enrollment as part of the CAPS application process.

Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.al.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 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.

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Child # 1

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)(a)-Work Number Missing

Child # 4

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.08(1)(a)-Work Number Missing

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

Technical Assistance

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591-1-1-.08(1) - The Consultant discussed with the Director that Center Staff must maintain a file for each child while such child is in care and for one year after that child is no longer enrolled. The Consultant discussed with the Director updating the work telephone numbers for parents in children files.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2024

Facility

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that the following potential hazards were present:

E/Mid/1R

- Two teacher bags observed under the first blue table on the left side accessible to children in care.
- There was hanging cords observed under the Television accessible to children in care.
- Two plastic grocery bags stored in an unlocked blue cabinet on the left side of the classroom under the Ice Age poster.
- Toilet brush cleaner in the restroom accessible to children in care

G/Mid/3R

- A teacher bag on the table.
- A hanging radio cord in the block area.

H/1L:

- Seven plastic grocery bags in the cubby

J/3L:

- A pack of diaper wipes in the cubby.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2024

Recited on 7/3/2024

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were observed:

B/2R

- Chipping paint in the block area.

E/Mid/1R

- A broken blue locker door.
- Staples throughout.
- Missing floor tile near the right back wall.
- A metal piece protruding from the back wall near the back door.

H/1L

- Chipped paint on the wall in the block area.
- Chipped dry wall on the left side of the back window in block area.
- A broken top corner of the wooden block shelf.

I/2L

- Missing wall baseboard in the girls and boys restroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 7/17/2024

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(8) - The Consultant discussed with the Director that protective caps must be on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2024

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Finding

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that there was approximately a four and a half inch gap at the bottom of the gate and the latch on the fence between playground A and playground B.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 7/17/2024

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(6) - Discussed the crack on the red slide on Playground C.

Correction Deadline: 7/13/2024

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 the following potential hazards were present:

Playground B:

- There was a presence of wasps and wasp nest under the wooden gazebo.

Playground C:

- Four broken black drainage pipes near the concrete area.
- A hole near the red brick wall on the right side.
- Discarded white drainage pipes.
- A crack on the first red slide on the left side.

Playground D:

- Moldy water in the sensory table.

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: 7/17/2024

Recited on 7/3/2024

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****Comment**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(4)(c) - requires that each vehicle be equipped with a fire extinguisher maintained in working order and kept inaccessible to children. Director stated that vehicle # PJZ7045 is not currently in use.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2024

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(7)(c)3. - The Consultant discussed with the Director that the driver or other designated person document in writing the date and time of arrival and departure each time the vehicle departs from the Center, is loaded or unloaded at each school and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle departs from the Center, arrives at the location where any child is picked up or dropped off and when the vehicle returns to the Center; each time the vehicle leaves the Center, arrives at a field trip destination, leaves a field trip destination, and returns to the Center.

Correction Deadline: 7/4/2024

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Technical Assistance****Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.30(4) - The Consultant discussed with the Director that if cots and mats are stored in the children's activity room or area, they shall be stored to prevent children's access to them and to allow maximum use of play space.

Correction Deadline: 7/3/2024

Staff Records**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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.

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)	Met
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Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.