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Quality Rated:

Compliance Zone Designation		
05/08/2024	LS POI Follow Up	Good Standing
02/06/2024	Complaint Closure	Good Standing
01/31/2024	Incident Investigation Closure	Good Standing

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.

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-6wks to 12 mths	Infants	3	8	C	10	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Floor Play
Main	B/1L- 1's	One Year Olds	2	8	C	16	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Feeding,Floor Play
Main	C/2L- 2's	Two Year Olds	2	11	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	E/3L- 3's	Three Year Olds	2	17	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	F/Back Middle-PreK 1	GA PreK	3	19	C	22	C	NA	NA	Outside,Lunch,Transitioning
Main	G/ 4R- PRe-K II	Two Year Olds	2	15	C	23	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	H/3L- 3's	Three Year Olds	2	20	C	21	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	I/Upstairs- 3 and up		0	0	C	30	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Heath Department Limitations		
Total # Children this Date: 98		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 150			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A/FR- Infants	13	C
Main	Playground B/ RB - 3 and up	115	C
Main	Playground C/BL- 2 and up	49	C

Main	Playground D FL- 1's and 2's	36	C

Comments
The purpose for today's visit was to conduct a Licensing Study. Technical Assistance ws provided and all questions were answered. A copy of the report was provided during the exit conference.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/08/2024

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.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 a1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov **for more information. Free techincal assistance is available!**

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(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a LS POI Follow Up:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities **Met**

Comment
Discussed to ensure that the Center keep current lesson plans on site that reflect appropriate instruction practices and activities to support children's development in all classrooms at all times.

Correction Deadline: 5/8/2024

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

Comment
Discussed adding equipment and toys to enhance variety.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR) **Not Evaluated**

Comment
Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms **Met**

Comment
Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that all vents are free from dust and dirt at all times to ensure maximum operation.

Correction Deadline: 6/7/2024

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

Comment
Licensed capacity observed to be 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 hazards were observed:
Room B 1L !'s stacked chairs were observed against the wall near the left window while children were present and walking around.
Room H/3L-3's a bottle of dishwashing detergent was observed in an unlocked cabinet underneath the sink

All items observed were accessible to children on this date.

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: 5/8/2024

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

Comment
Consultant discussed the Center will maintain the temperature in the range of 65 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit and to ventilate the Center be ventilated either by mechanical or natural means for the purpose of providing fresh air and controlling unpleasant odors. The upstairs was not in use on the day of the review, but it was stated that the air conditioner was not operating. The temperature of the room shall be between 65 to 85 degrees Fahrenheit for children and staff use.

Correction Deadline: 5/8/2024

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

Finding
591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were observed on the playgrounds:
Playground A/FR-Infants observed a mildew substance on the surface of the equipment
Playground B/ RB-3 and up- cracked and pealing plastic grips on the swing chains, mildew substance on swinging and climbing equipment, chip and pealing paint on the large climbing structure, cracked rubber covering that contained sharp/jagged edges, a quarter sized hole in the center of the blue slide on the climbing structure,
Picnic table in the commons area contained a quarter sized hole and crack on the seat of the bench
Mildew-like substances were observed on all outdoor equipment and was not regularly maintained as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 5/20/2024

Finding
591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined based on observation that the following equipment did not have an adequate amount of resilient surface surrounding the fall zones of the following playground equipment:
-Playground B/RB -3 and up underneath the blue swing structure, underneath the red, blue and green climbing structure
-Playground C/BL-2 up underneath the center climbing structure

Less than three inches of resilient surfacing was observed where six inches would be required. Additionally, grassy like weeds were observed growing through the mulch surface.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 5/18/2024

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 a observation that the playground contained tree roots between playgrounds B/RB-3 and up and Playground C/BL-2 and up's that were not painted or removed to prevent tripping hazards as required.

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: 5/8/2024

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health **Met**

Correction Deadline: 2/6/2024

Corrected on 5/8/2024
No parent notifications were required during this review.

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

Comment
Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
Consultant discussed with the director to ensure that staff wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water. Two of eight rooms observed did not have warm water options for hand washing.

Correction Deadline: 5/8/2024

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
Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR) **Not Evaluated**

Comment
Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on observation that five cribs observed did not have tight-fitting sheets as required. Staff stated that sheets are laundered daily.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

Correction Deadline: 5/8/2024

Correction Deadline: 12/20/2023

Corrected on 5/8/2024
Safe Sleep practices were observed during this review. No blankets or items were observed in or on cribs during infant sleeping.

Comment
Consultant discussed with the provider to ensure 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. When storage is available and used for the storage of cots and mats that allows the cots, mats and any bedding to be stored without touching any other cots, mats or bedding, the bedding may be left on the cot or mat.

Correction Deadline: 5/8/2024

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-.33 Staff Training **Not Met**

Finding
591-1-1-.33(4) requires within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage. It was determined based on a review of records that the Director and person(s) with primary responsibilities for food preparation did not have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Center will schedule food preparation training, as required, and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 6/7/2024

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

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**

Correction Deadline: 1/31/2024

Corrected on 5/8/2024
Children were observed to be supervised at all times during this review.