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Date: 9/18/2023 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:15 AM **Departure:** 11:00 AM

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
09/18/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
03/13/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing
09/19/2022	Monitoring Visit	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	Rm # 17A (AS)	Two Year Olds	2	14	C	22	C	30	C	Centers
Main	Rm # 17B (AS)		0	0	C	21	C	29	C	Not In Use
Main	Rm #1 Pre-School	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	15	C	20	C	NA	NA	Centers,Clean Up
Main	Rm #11 Senior Tod A	One Year Olds	2	8	C	17	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Rm #2 Senior Tod B	Two Year Olds	2	12	C	18	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Rm #3 Jr. Tod	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	3	9	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Clean Up,Outside,Centers
Main	Rm #4 - Infant	Infants	2	6	C	16	C	NA	NA	Centers,Feeding,Diapering
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 132				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 148				
Total # Children this Date: 64		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 132				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 148				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A- infants	15	C
Main	B- 3's & up	59	C
Main	C - Toddlers	50	C

Comments
An in person Monitoring Visit was conducted on this day. The center director stated there is a total of 21 staff with 5 being new hires since the consultant's last visit. The center director stated no medication is administered, no field trips or routine transportation is provided.

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.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)

QUALITY RATED CHILD CARE

CAPS

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!**

TIFFANY OSTEEN, Program Official Date

Connie Boatright, Regional Consultant Date

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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.

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**

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2023

Corrected on 9/18/2023
.25(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this day.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2023

Corrected on 9/18/2023
.25(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this day.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
591-1-1-.26(6) - The center director will ensure 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.
Right Playground: The rought iron stakes are rough and rusted and should be removed and replaced.
The orange metal car has four of four sterring wheels broken leaving jagged edges.
Left Playground: The red fire truck has one of two starring wheels broken leaving jagged edges.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2023

Comment
Reminder to continue to watch rust and chipping paint.

Correction Deadline: 9/28/2023

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
Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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.

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

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) **Met**

Comment
Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Comment
Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records

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

Comment
Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment
Director provided 5 file(s) for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance
591-1-1-.33(1) - The center director will ensure that all Employees and Provisional Employees to receive Initial Center orientation prior to assignment to children or task. Three of five new staff did not have the orientation form completed and in their file.

Correction Deadline: 9/18/2023

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**

Comment
Adequate supervision observed on this date.