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Date: 9/20/2023 **VisitType:** MV POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 1:30 PM **Departure:** 4:45 PM

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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.
09/20/2023	MV POI Follow Up	Support	
06/27/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/10/2022	Complaint Closure	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 3-4 yrs	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	12	C	22	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Nap
Main	B 1-2 Yrs	Six Year Olds and Over	1	16	C	22	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	C Infants	Infants and One Year Olds	2	13	NC	10	NC	NA	NA	Feeding,Free Play,Nap
Main	D 3-12 yrs	Two Year Olds	2	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Free Play,Nap
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 65					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 48					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A All ages	36	C

Comments

An on-site inspection was conducted on September 20, 2023 with the Director LaToiyah Roland. Background checks were all reviewed on September 20, 2023.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 10/04/2023

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.state.ga.us/CCS/RuleAndRegulations.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 user id 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.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

LaToiyah Roland, Program Official

Date

Jessica Johnson, Regional Consultant

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(Findings Report)

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

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

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/11/2023

Corrected on 9/20/2023

.08(1) - Citation corrected. The Consultant observed children records complete.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Please monitor bathrooms for necessary supplies.

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation that the center cared for 13 children in classroom C Infants, when the maximum capacity was 10.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2023

Recited on 9/20/2023

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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:

Classroom A

- A plastic grocery bag was observed in a spiderman bookbag.

Classroom C

- A plastic grocery bag was observed in the cubby accessible to children in care.
- Eucerin cream was observed in a gray bookbag in the red cubby accessible to children in care.
- Diaper wipes were observed in children's bookbags in the red cubby accessible to children in care.

Classroom D

- A plastic grocery bag was observed in a flower bookbag in the white cubby accessible to children in care.
- Diaper wipes observed in the black and white striped, dinosaur, and green and yellow bags in the cubby accessible to children in care.

Hallway restroom

- Lysol spray stored on the paper towel dispenser accessible to children in care.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2023

Recited on 9/20/2023

Correction Deadline: 7/11/2023

Corrected on 9/20/2023

.25(3) - Citation corrected. No hazards observed on this date.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - The Consultant discussed with the Director cutting back the vines on the fence and removing the plastic grocery bag.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2023

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.15(3) requires baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. It was determined based on observation that the bottles and formula were not labeled with the individual child's name on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2023

Health and Hygiene

Met

Corrected on 9/20/2023

Met

Met

Not Met

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2023

Safety

Met

Technical Assistance

Corrected on 9/20/2023

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2023

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 6/27/2023****Corrected on 9/20/2023****.30(2) - Citation corrected. No hazards observed.**

Staff Records

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

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) - The Consultant discussed with the Director that all independent contractors and or volunteers who work less than once every 90 days or other individuals who do not require a CBC must be supervised at all times by center staff.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

The Consultant discussed with the Director that the first aid and CPR training must be a "Blended" training (online study plus hands-on skill practice and assessment) is acceptable. Pediatric CPR skills should be taught by demonstration, practice, and return demonstration to ensure the technique can be performed in an emergency.

Correction Deadline: 10/4/2023**Corrected on 9/20/2023****.14(2) - Citation corrected. The Consultant observed the first aid and CPR certification for staff #8.****Correction Deadline: 7/7/2023****Corrected on 9/20/2023****.14(3) - Citation corrected. First aid kit observed 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)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.32(2) requires the Center maintain Staff:child ratios in mixed-age groups based on the age of the youngest group of children that includes more than twenty percent of the total number of children in the mixed-age group. It was determined based on observation that a staff:child ratio of 2:13 was observed in classroom C, which included seven infants and six one-year-olds. A staff:child ratio of 3:13 was required.

Correction Deadline: 9/20/2023

Recited on 9/20/2023

Correction Deadline: 6/27/2023

Corrected on 9/20/2023

.32(7) - Citation corrected. The Consultant observed adequate supervision.