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Date: 9/10/2024 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:35 AM **Departure:** 2:45 PM

CCLC-48438

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
09/10/2024	Complaint Investigation Follow Up	Good Standing	
07/12/2024	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
04/18/2024	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	1L - Room A - Infant		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	2L - Room B - Infant	Infants and One Year Olds	2	6	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play,Free Play
Main	3L - Room C - Toddler 1 - 2	One Year Olds	1	8	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	4L - Room D - 2's	Two Year Olds	2	11	C	12	C	NA	NA	Diapering,Free Play
Main	5L - Room E		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	J	Infants	2	9	C	28	C	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	K-4's	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	3	11	C	28	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Outside
Main	Rear Hallway - 1R - Room F - PS - SA		0	0	C	29	C	40	C	
Main	Rear Hallway - 4R - Room I - Pre-Kindergarten	GA PreK	2	15	C	29	C	41	C	Outside,Transiti oning
			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 167			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 281				
Total # Children this Date: 60			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 167			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 281				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	1R - Playground A - Infant - Toddler	20	C

Main	2R - Playground B - Preschool	25	C
Main	Rear - Playground C - School Age	66	C

Comments

The purpose of the visit is to conduct a Complaint Investigation and Follow up visit.

Reminders: Refer to the published communicable disease chart for guidance regarding communicable diseases. In most scenarios, only outbreaks/clusters should be reported to the local health districts.

Please be sure to contact the White County Department of Health, if there are any outbreaks/clusters of positive COVID-19 cases immediately and get their guidance. Please be sure to also complete a Required Report in DECAL KOALA for all individual cases of communicable diseases within 24 hours. Be sure to select "Notifiable Communicable Diseases" to report closures for COVID cases.

You must be sure to enter all temporary closures by 8 a.m. (vacation, emergencies, school closures, holidays etc...) in DECAL KOALA at all times under the Required Report tab whenever your facility is closed temporarily because you are not caring for children for one day or more. Please be sure to SAVE the report prior to exiting.

Incident Reports are to be submitted via DECAL KOALA with all signed staff statements for staff and the director within a 24 hour period of an incident occurring at the center, if medical attention was needed, injuries, child left unsupervised, suspected Child Abuse, DFCS notified etc...

All amendments are required to be electronically entered in DECAL KOALA effective August 2021.

Please be sure to hide staff who are no longer employed in your DECAL KOALA account. Please reach out for help with this, if needed.

Please ensure that the director and staff responsible for food preparation completes the four (4) hours of nutrition training as soon as possible but within the first year of employment.

For centers conducting or planning on conducting transportation, please remember that the transportation training certificates must be completed prior to participating in transportation and renewed every two years for anyone checking the vehicle, chaperoning on a trip, and signing the checklist, including the director. Please ensure that directors ensure that they also complete the transportation training upon being hired at the center. Please ensure to contact your consultant for guidance if you have not been conducting transportation and plan on conducting transportation.

**Beginning January 1, 2024, there is a free Transportation Training available on OLLI in Georgia PDS (GaPDS) as ProSolutions will no longer offer the class for free. Also, you will be able to find the Health and Safety Orientation Training, which will be 15 hours, for free as well.

Provided updated orientation checklist.

Share information regarding the indicator manual and utilizing it.

Discussed regarding ensuring to complete rechecks for Criminal Records checks at least 90 days before the five-year expiration. Suggestion: Check monthly or sooner to ensure that staff's criminal records checks are not about to expire.

Discussed regarding mats no longer using tape to repair.

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.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:

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.al.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!



(Findings Report)

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The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation Follow Up:

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/18/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.15(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that bottles were observed to be prepared in the refrigerator. Please ensure that all bottles are prepared and ready to be served for all children.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Correction Deadline: 6/7/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.29(1) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that an incident was reported but she has not had an incident since that incident. Please ensure that all suspected incident of child abuse is reported within the 24 hour time frame.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/18/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.30(1)(a)2 - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the crib mats were observed to be fitting and not curled up. Please ensure that the mattress are tight-fitting without gaps at all times.

Staff Records

Finding

591-1-1-.33(3) requires each Staff member with direct care responsibilities to complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; precautions in transporting children; recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and child development. It was determined based on a review of records that staff #10 hired on May 20, 2024, staff #13 hired on March 15, 2024, and staff #14 hired on May 29, 2024, did not have evidence of their Health and Safety Orientation Training completed.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop and implement a plan to schedule and track this training for all employees based on their hire dates and will ensure that the training includes all required components as required.

Correction Deadline: 10/10/2024

Staffing and Supervision**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)****Met**

Correction Deadline: 4/18/2024

Corrected on 9/10/2024

.32(7) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that the staff was terminated on the day of the incident. There was a staff meeting regarding always knowing the count and contact management if help is needed. Please ensure that the children are supervised at all times.