

# Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Date: 7/26/2023 VisitType: Monitoring Visit Arrival: 10:50 AM Departure: 2:00 PM

## CCLC-37111 Regional Consultant

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## **Quality Rated:**



<u>Com</u> p	oliance Zone Desig			ne Designation - A summary measure of a program's 12 month monitoring ains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good
07/26/2023	Monitoring Visit		standing, support	
03/06/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	Good Standing -	<ul> <li>Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>
07/27/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Support -	<ul> <li>Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.</li> </ul>
			Deficient	<ul> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>

## Ratios/License Capacity

Building	Room	Age Group	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.		25 SF. Comp.	Notes
1	A	Infants and One Year Olds	3	9	C	19	С	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
1	В	Two Year Olds	1	10	С	10	С	NA	NA	Nap
1	С	One Year Olds	2	11	С	13	С	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 4	12		Total C ft.: 0	Capacity @	25 sq.	•		
2	D	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	9	С	11	С	NA	NA	Nap
2	Е	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	16	С	17	С	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 2	28		Total C ft.: 0	Capacity @:	25 sq.			
3	F		0	0	С	15	С	NA	NA	
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1	5		Total C ft.: 0	Capacity @:	25 sq.			
Total # Ch	nildren this Date: 55	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 8	35		Total C	Capacity @	25 sq.			

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
1	Playground A	30	С
1	Playground B	37	С

#### Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a Monitoring Visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/26/2023

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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 <u>www.decalkoala.com</u> 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.

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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 <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> 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 Monitoring Visit:

## **Activities and Equipment**

## 591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based on observation in classroom D, there two stacks of boxes accessible to children that posed a potential tip hazard.

#### **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the identified equipment or furniture and any other such existing or future items are secured adequately and will have a system for checking these for stability.

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Correction Deadline: 7/26/2023

#### 591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Evening Care** 

## 591-1-1-.32 Staffing/Supervision(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Evening care requirements were discussed.

**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

#### Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that 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. Please check the playgrounds for ants and treat as needed.

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2023

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/6/2023

#### **Corrected on 7/26/2023**

.15(2)(c) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. No cereal was observed in infant bottles.

# **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-.36 Transportation(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Center is not currently providing routine transportation during the summer. The center is unsure whether they will resume routine transportation when school returns. Transportation requirements were discussed with the director.

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# Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

#### Comment

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

#### **Technical Assistance**

To reduce the transfer of airborne diseases, sleeping and resting equipment shall be arranged as follows. There shall be a minimum of twenty-four inch (24") corridor between each row of sleeping or resting equipment. There shall be a minimum of twelve inches (12") between each piece of sleeping or resting equipment in each row of equipment. Children shall be placed on cots and mats so that one child's head is toward another child's feet in the same row. Please ensure children are placed head to toe on cots and mats to reduce the spread of airborne diseases.

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Staff Records

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

**Not Met** 

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(a) requires that a Center ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site. It was determined based on observation that an independent contractor was present in classroom E during nap time and did not submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site before being present at the facility as required.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will complete the provided affidavit form to ensure that every actual and potential Director, Employee and Provisional Employee of a Child Care Learning Center submit both a Records Check Application to the Department and Fingerprints to an authorized fingerprinting site as required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will complete all steps to ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 7/26/2023

## **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on observation that an independent contractor was present in classroom E during nap time and did not have a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center as required.

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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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.

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