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Cover Sheet

Date: 8/26/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:00 AM **Departure:** 12:00 PM

CCLC-771

Lollipop Childrens Center

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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. |
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| 08/26/2022 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 04/04/2022 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 08/23/2021 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
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Ratios/License Capacity

| Building | Room | Age Group | Staff | Children | NC/C | Max 35 SF. | 35 SF. Comp. | Max 25 SF. | 25 SF. Comp. | Notes |
|--------------------------------|-------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|----------|------|------------|--------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 | A | Two Year Olds | 2 | 10 | C | 18 | C | NA | NA | Circle Time, Story |
| 1 | B | Infants | 1 | 5 | C | 10 | C | NA | NA | Floor Play, Diapering, Feeding |
| 1 | C | One Year Olds | 1 | 5 | C | 9 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| 1 | D | Three Year Olds | 1 | 11 | C | 17 | C | 24 | C | Centers, Lunch |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 54 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 78 | | | | | | | |
| 2 | PreK Mobile | PreK | 2 | 17 | C | 24 | C | 31 | C | Story |
| Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 24 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 78 | | | | | | | |
| Total # Children this Date: 48 | | | Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 78 | | | | | | | |

| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
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Comments

An in-person Monitoring Visit was conducted on August 26, 2022. All criminal background checks were reviewed during the visit. The visit report was completed on September 2, 2022 and emailed to the director on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/26/2022

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/Regulations.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



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!

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)

Vicki Miller, Program Official

Date

Jerica Davis, 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)

Not Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that each Employee and child in attendance to use all indoor and outdoor furniture, activity materials, and equipment in a safe and appropriate manner and in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, recommendations, and intended use. Please ensure that all Boppy seats have a safety strap as required by the manufacturer's instructions.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2022

Correction Deadline: 4/4/2022

Corrected on 8/26/2022

.12(2) - This citation was observed to have been corrected on this date. All hazardous equipment has been removed.

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 that in Building 2 there was a microwave that was stored on top of a shelf and was of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over.

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. The director will mount the microwave to the wall.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2022

Recited on 8/26/2022

591-1-1.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 4/4/2022****Corrected on 8/26/2022**

.19(1) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The center's licensed capacity was met in all classrooms.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Correction Deadline: 4/4/2022****Corrected on 8/26/2022**

.25(13) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. No hazards were observed on this date.

Finding

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that in classroom B, there was a hole measuring six inches wide and four inches tall behind the rocking chair next to the exit door that was in need of repair. Additionally, in the Pre-K classroom there was a large piece of wallpaper peeling that was in need of repair next to the bathroom.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will have the Center and surrounding areas cleaned, make repairs where needed, and remove all debris is removed. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2022**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 top part funnel ball game in the center of the playground had broken and slid down the pole leaving the broken piece of equipment accessible to children.

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: 9/2/2022**Recited on 8/26/2022****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 ensure that the green hose be stored inaccessible to children. Additionally, please inspect the playground for mushrooms before the children go outside.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2022

Correction Deadline: 4/4/2022

Corrected on 8/26/2022

.15(3) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All infant bottles were observed to be labeled.

Health and Hygiene

Correction Deadline: 4/4/2022

Corrected on 8/26/2022

.07(5) - This citation was corrected on this date. This citation was removed from the previous visit report on August 30, 2022.

Technical Assistance

Please ensure Center Staff do not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing including pacifiers clips or other hazardous items. Please ensure pacifier clips are not used at the facility.

Correction Deadline: 8/26/2022

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

Correction Deadline: 4/5/2022

Corrected on 8/26/2022

.36(7)(d)1. - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. A first check was observed to be documented for all days of travel.

Correction Deadline: 4/4/2022

Corrected on 8/26/2022

.36(7)(d)2. - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. A second check was observed to be documented for all days of travel.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 requires that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate comfortably the size and weight of the child; and that mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and at least two inches (2") thick. It was determined based on observation that six of 22 of the mats used for Classroom C and D were torn and therefore not in good repair and washable as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate the size and weight of the child and mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and is at least two inches thick.

Correction Deadline: 9/9/2022

Recited on 8/26/2022

Correction Deadline: 4/4/2022

Corrected on 8/26/2022

.30(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. No hazards were observed in the cribs.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 08/09/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 09/05/2019

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 08/23/2015

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 09/01/2020

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 10/13/2020

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 08/04/2008

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 10/13/2017

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 05/01/2002

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 10

Met

Date of Hire: 08/23/2012

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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

Met

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided two files for employees hired since the last visit.

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.