

## 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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#### **Cover Sheet**

Date: 11/8/2022 Arrival: 12:40 PM Departure: 4:15 PM VisitType: Monitoring Visit

CCLC-36981

#### **Childcare Network #4**

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Quality Rated: 🛊 🤺 🤺





Compliance Zone Designation				
11/08/2022	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
07/27/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
05/25/2022	Complaint Closure	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

> 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.	Comp.	Notes
Main	A-1R	Infants	1	6	С	12	С	NA	NA	Nap,Floor Play
Main	B-2R	One Year Olds	2	11	С	16	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	C-3R	Two Year Olds	1	8	С	18	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D-4R	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	17	С	20	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E-5R	Six Year Olds and Over	1	1	С	27	С	38	С	Transitioning
Main	F-4L		0	0	С	22	С	32	С	
Main	G-3L	Four Year Olds	2	15	С	22	С	32	С	Nap
Main	H-2L	Three Year Olds	1	13	С	15	С	NA	NA	Nap
Main	I-1L	Three Year Olds	1	11	С	15	С	NA	NA	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 10	67		Total C	apacity @	25 sq.		·	

Total # Children this Date: 82 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 167 Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 198

Deficient

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A-Fr R	18	C
Main	B-Left	46	С
Main	C-Back	19	С
Main	D-Bk Right	38	С

## Comments

The purpose of today's visit is to conduct a complaint and monitoring visit

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed 01/01/0001

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





## **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 <u>qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</u> for more information. Free techincal 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)

Vanessa Jackson, Program Official	Date	Jackqueline Frederick, Consultant	Date



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## **Findings Report**

Arrival: 12:40 PM **Date:** 11/8/2022 VisitType: Monitoring Visit **Departure:** 4:15 PM

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	Activities and Equipment
591-1-112 Equipment & Toys(CR)	Met
Correction Deadline: 7/27/2022	
Corrected on 11/8/2022 12(2) - Citation observed corrected.	
591-1-135 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)	Met
Comment Center does not provide swimming activities.	
	Children's Records
591-1-108 Children's Records	Met
Correction Deadline: 7/27/2022	
Corrected on 11/8/2022 .08(1) - Citation corrected observed corrected on this date.	
	Evening Care
504.4.4.00.04.67(0.7)	
591-1-132 Staffing/Supervision(CR)	Met
Comment No evening care hours observed on this date due to visit time.	
	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: 7/27/2022

**Corrected on 11/8/2022** 

.25(3) - Citation observed corrected on this date.

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined that a board with protruding nails from the fence on playground D was observed lying on the ground and was not in good repair as required.

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

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 11/8/2022

## Finding

591-1-1-.26(8) requires climbing and swinging equipment to have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined that playground D did not have adequate resilient surfaced surrounding the climbing structure with attached slides.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will add additional resilient surfacing to the fall zones where needed and check daily, adding resilient surfacing as needed to maintain adequate resiliency.

Correction Deadline: 11/18/2022

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2022

**Corrected on 11/8/2022** 

.26(9) - Citation observed corrected.

# **Health and Hygiene**

#### 591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2022

**Corrected on 11/8/2022** 

.07(5) - Citation observed corrected.

## 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 of children was discussed with the director on this date.

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 7/27/2022

**Corrected on 11/8/2022** 

.30(1)(a)1 - Citation observed corrected on this date.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 21	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1	Met
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 11/08/2021	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Staff # 5	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 05/27/2021	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 10/08/2021	Met
Staff # 8	Met
Staff # 9	Met
Staff # 10	Met
Staff # 11	Met

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0 **Records Reviewed: 21** Date of Hire: 08/22/2033 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired Staff # 12 Met Staff # 13 Met Staff # 14 Met Staff # 15 Met Staff # 16 Met Staff # 17 Met Date of Hire: 06/28/2021 Staff # 18 Met Staff # 19 Met Staff # 20 Met Staff # 21 Met Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1 591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) Met Comment Criminal record checks were observed to be complete. 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.