



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Cover Sheet

Date: 10/18/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 4:30 PM

Departure: 5:00 PM

CCLC-39256

Guiding Light Child Care 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.
10/18/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/11/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/19/2020	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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.

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	Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	7	C	8	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	Right		0	0	C	6	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 14			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Centers Request				
Total # Children this Date: 7			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 14			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Only	58	C

Comments

Due to COVID-19 no in person visit was completed. The administrative review was completed on 10-18-2021 and the virtual visit was completed on 10-20-2021. The center director stated no medication is administered, no field trips or routine transportation is provided. The center director stated there has not been any new hires since the consultant's last virtual visit.

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.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 New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.state.ga.us/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://dec.state.ga.us/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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)

Lenora Blair, Program Official

Date

Connie Boatright, 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)

Met

Comment

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

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: 5/11/2021

Corrected on 10/18/2021

.08(6) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed 7 children to be present and 7 children to be signed in.

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: 5/11/2021

Corrected on 10/18/2021

.25(13) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed that no hazards was accessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2021

Corrected on 10/18/2021

.25(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed the wooden board to be replaced.

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

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2021

Corrected on 10/18/2021

.26(6) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant did not observe any hazards accessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 5/27/2021

Corrected on 10/18/2021

.26(8) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed the provider to measure 6 inches of resilient surface.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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 does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

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.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 3

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 1 Not Met

Date of Hire: 07/20/2009

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.33(4)-Food Prep Training Missing 4 hrs.

Staff # 2 Not Met

Date of Hire: 11/20/2020

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.33(4)-Food Prep Training Missing 4 hrs.

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 08/19/2009

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training Not Met

Comment

Documentation observed of required staff training.

Correction Deadline: 11/1/2021

Corrected on 10/18/2021

.33(3) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected.

Finding

591-1-1-.33(4) requires within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage. It was determined based on review of the staff files that the center director and a new staff member hired November 20, 2020 have not completed the required four clock hours of Food Preparation and Nutrition training as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will schedule food preparation training, as required, and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 11/1/2021

Recited on 10/18/2021

Correction Deadline: 5/21/2021

Corrected on 10/18/2021

.33(5) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected on this date.

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.