



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

Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Cover Sheet

Date: 10/6/2021 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation by Phone **Arrival:** 12:15 PM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-39336

ICare Child Development Center, LLC

7 Anniston Avenue Atlanta, GA 30317 DeKalb County
(404) 790-5655 kilby2003@gmail.com

Regional Consultant

Verlyn Gant

Phone: (404) 591-6059

Fax: (404) 591-6060

verlyn.gant@dec.al.ga.gov

Mailing Address

Same

Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
10/06/2021	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing
08/23/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
05/14/2021	Licensing Study	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 rules.

Deficient - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.

Ratios/License Capacity


Comments

A complaint investigation was conducted by phone on October 06, 2021 with the Director.

An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/06/2021

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



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.decal.ga.gov/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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@decal.ga.gov.

- 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://decal.ga.gov/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)

Lauren Kilby, Program Official

Date

Verlyn Gant, Consultant

Date



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower
Atlanta, GA 30334
Phone: (404) 657-5562 WWW.DECAL.GA.GOV

Findings Report

Date: 10/6/2021 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation by Phone **Arrival:** 12:15 PM **Departure:** 2:00 PM

CCLC-39336

ICare Child Development Center, LLC

7 Anniston Avenue Atlanta, GA 30317 DeKalb County
(404) 790-5655 kilby2003@gmail.com

Mailing Address
Same

Regional Consultant

Verlyn Gant

Phone: (404) 591-6059

Fax: (404) 591-6060

verlyn.gant@dec.al.ga.gov

The following information is associated with a Complaint Investigation by Phone:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.03 Activities

Met

Comment

591-1-1-.03(4) - Ensure children with specific needs are integrated into the activities unless contraindicated medically or by written parental agreement.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2021

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)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Food Service

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

Not Met

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.15(4) - requires that a feeding chair or similar equipment designed for feeding children shall be provided for the use of each child being fed who is capable of sitting up but who is unable to sit unassisted at a table and must be cleaned with a disinfectant after each use. Such chair or similar equipment shall have a broad base to prevent tipping, a surface that the child cannot raise, a strap or other device which prevents the child from sliding out of the chair, and a feeding surface free of cracks.

When using feeding chairs ensure that a strap or other device which prevents the child from sliding out of the chair is used at all times.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2021

Finding

591-1-1-.15(6)(a) requires the Center to serve all scheduled meals and snacks to children when they are present. In those Centers where the Parent(s) of children enrolled provide the meals and snacks, the Center shall ensure that no child remains at the Center without receiving the scheduled nutritious meals and snacks. There shall be a period of at least two (2) hours between each required meal or snack. The following meals and snacks shall be scheduled and served by the Center when appropriate: breakfast or morning snack, lunch, an afternoon snack, supper during evening care, and evening snack prior to bedtime, if the Center provides night-time care. It was determined based on interviews with staff, and written statements, that the allegation on August 10, 2021, that a one-year-old child was served only one scheduled meal while in care from 9:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. The one-year-old child was not served one of the scheduled meals that complied with the prescribed dietary regimen which led to the child only being fed once by the parent and once by the center while in care from 9:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will schedule all required nutritious meals and snacks at least two hours apart and will serve them to each child who is present. Staff will be trained to determine if meals provided by parents meet nutritional guidelines and to provide any missing items.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2021