

#### 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**

VisitType: Complaint Investigation by Arrival: 11:00 AM Departure: 12:00 PM **Date:** 10/21/2021

Phone

#### **CCLC-274**

#### **Discovery Point #4**

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#### Quality Rated: >

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			history, as it pertains to child care health and safety rules. The three compliance zones are good	
09/27/2021	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	standing, support, and deficient.  Good Standing - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting	
09/01/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	the rules.  Support - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meetin	
08/17/2021	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	Deficient	<ul> <li>rules.</li> <li>Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.</li> </ul>

#### Ratios/License Capacity

#### Comments

Complaint investigation completed by phone due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 10/21/2021

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.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 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: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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 egistered 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.					
<ol> <li>Facility name, license number and visit date</li> <li>Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address &amp; up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached</li> <li>Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation</li> </ol>					
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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>					
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)					
Rozina Lakhani, Program Official Date Beth Holland, Consultant Date					



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#### **Findings Report**

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

## Staffing and Supervision

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times appropriate to the individual age, needs and capabilities of each child. Such supervision must include, but not be limited to, indoor and outdoor activities, mealtimes, naptime, transportation, field trips, and transitions between activities. "Supervision" means that the appropriate number of Staff members are physically present in the area where children are being cared for and are providing watchful oversight to the children, volunteers and Students-in-Training. The persons supervising in the child care area must be alert, positioned to maximize their ability to hear and see the children at all times, and able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the volunteers and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. Staff shall be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. It was determined based on investigative findings that a three-year-old child sustained a bruise while playing in the classroom and staff members were not aware of the incident.

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

The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

Correction Deadline: 10/21/2021