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Date: 7/18/2023 **VisitType:** TA Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
07/18/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing
06/09/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing
05/19/2023	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

Building	Room	Age Group	Max 35 SF.	Max 25 SF.
Main	1st Left- Pre-K		23	NA
Main	1st Right- Pre-K		24	NA
Main	2nd Left- Two's		23	NA
Main	2nd Right- Office		11	NA
Main	3rd Left- One's		21	NA
Main	3rd Right- Three's		22	NA
Main	Aerobic		74	NA
Main	AS Wing- Meeting Room		19	26
Main	AS Wing- Multi-Purpose		28	NA
Main	AS Wing- Resource Room		14	19
Main	AS Wing- Youth Room		17	NA
Main	AS Wing-1st Right		18	26
Main	Gym		229	NA
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 523			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 543	
Total # Children this Date: 0			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 543	

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy
Main	Playground 1	61
Main	Playground 2	329


Comments

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a mock visit and decide where we need the most help. The center has spend most of their Health and safety money down to acouple of hundred dollars.

Strength Based TA

Plan of Improvement:

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.decgal.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

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)

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@decgal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Shaisha Walker, Program Official

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Activities and Equipment

Rule: 591-1-1-.12(2) - (2) Equipment and Furniture. Equipment and furniture shall be free from hazardous conditions such as, but not limited to, sharp rough edges or toxic paint and shall be kept clean.

S.M.A.R.T Goal: To ensure that all furniture in the classroom is in safe condition.

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The director will remove the shelving with broken tops from the 3 year old room, and any other rooms with broken shelving. The rocking chair in the infant room needs to be washed and kept clean.	Director/staff	07/31/2023	Developed		

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided:

Rule: 591-1-1-.06(6) - (6) Supplies. Bathrooms shall be within easy reach of children and equipped with soap, toilet tissue and single-use towels or cloth towels used only once between launderings.

S.M.A.R.T Goal: To ensure that there is soap, toilet paper, and paper towels accessible to the children.

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The director will make sure that all bathrooms are fully stocked, and that staff are teaching the children to use the right amount of toilet paper to keep from stopping up the toilet.	director/staff	08/22/2023	Developed		

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided:

Rule: 591-1-1-.25(13) - (13) Indoor Storage Areas. Potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies shall be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. Examples of items to be stored include non-food related products under pressure in aerosol dispensing cans, flammable and corrosive materials, cleaning supplies, poisons, insecticides, office supplies and industrial-sized or commercial buckets with a capacity of three gallons or more or any other similar device with rigid sides which would not tip over if a toddler fell into the container head first.

S.M.A.R.T Goal: To ensure that the items in the teachers desk in all of the classrooms are removed to ensure nothing hazardous is being stored in them.

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The director has decided to remove the teachers desk to make more room for the children to play.	Director	07/18/2023	Developed		

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided:

Rule: 591-1-1-.25(3) - (3) Cleanliness. The Center and surrounding premises shall 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.

S.M.A.R.T Goal: To ensure that the classroom is clean and organized so that the teachers can put their hands on the supplies that they need easily.

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The director will lead the staff in making sure that their counters are clean and organized and there are no piles of clothes, or supplies out.	Director/staff	07/18/2023	In-Progress		

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided:

Rule: 591-1-1-.26(9) - (9) Safety and Upkeep of Playground. Playgrounds shall 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.

S.M.A.R.T Goal: To ensure that the playground is safe and ready for the children.

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The director will add rubber mulch to the infant play area so that the side walk and the playground are level. There is a wooden box around the water valve on the playground that has started to split so replace it with PVC lattice or something that can take the weather. The director will also remove the broken toys from the storage bend and drill holes in the bottom of the container to allow rain to pass through.	Director	07/25/2023	Developed		

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided:

Health and Hygiene**Rule: 591-1-1-.10(6) - Any items which might harm a child must be kept out of a child's reach.****S.M.A.R.T Goal: To ensure that wipes, and diaper creams are not stored on the changing table. Also no toys or food can be set on the changing table.**

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The staff and director will make sure that the diaper table is clean and has nothing stored on it.	director	07/18/2023	In-Progress		

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided:

Safety**Rule: 591-1-1-.13(5) - (5) List of Trip Participants. A list of children and adults participating in the trip shall be left at the Center as well as be taken on the trip in the possession of the adult in charge of the trip.****S.M.A.R.T Goal: To ensure that when the children are on field trips all rules and regulations are covered.**

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The TA consultant left information for the director to let her know what the field trip requirements are.	Director	07/18/2023	Developed		

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided:

Staff Records

Rule: 591-1-1-.33(3) - (3) Health and Safety Orientation. Each staff member with direct care responsibilities shall complete health and safety orientation training within the first 90 days of employment. The state-approved training hours obtained will count toward required first year training hours. The training must address the following health and safety topics: prevention and control of infectious diseases (including immunizations); prevention of sudden infant death syndrome and use of safe sleeping practices; administration of medication, consistent with standards for parental consent; prevention of and response to emergencies due to food and allergic reactions; building and physical premises safety, including identification of and protection from hazards that can cause bodily injury such as electrical hazards, bodies of water, and vehicular traffic; prevention of shaken baby syndrome, abusive head trauma and child maltreatment; emergency preparedness and response planning for emergencies resulting from a natural disaster or a human-caused event (such as violence at a child care facility); handling and storage of hazardous materials and the appropriate disposal of bio contaminants; precautions in transporting children; recognition and reporting of child abuse and neglect; and child development.

S.M.A.R.T Goal: To ensure that all staff have had the Olli core rules training for the Health and Safety Grant.

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	To ensure that all staff have completed core rules training by the end of next month.	Director/staff	07/11/2023	In-Progress		

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided: