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Cover Sheet

Date: 10/6/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 1:00 PM **Departure:** 2:45 PM

CCLC-2110

Little People's Paradise Day Care Center

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
10/06/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
05/17/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing
11/18/2021	Monitoring Visit	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	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes
Main	A- 1st left	One Year Olds	1	4	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B - 2nd left	Infants	2	4	C	12	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	C - 1st right		0	0	C	27	C	38	C	
Main	D - 2nd right	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	19	C	26	C	Nap
					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 68	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 86				
Total # Children this Date: 17			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 68			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 86				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	one	168	C

Comments

An in-person Monitoring Visit was completed on this date. The Director, Eeva Wright, stated that the program does not provide routine transportation, administer medications, or provide swimming activities. The Director stated that no new employees have been hired since the last visit. Criminal Record Checks were observed complete on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date

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 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@dec.state.ga.us for more information. Free technical 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)

Evea Wright, Program Official

Date

Laura Johnson, 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

Discussed adding equipment and toys to enhance variety.

591-1-1-.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/17/2022

Corrected on 10/6/2022

.08(6) - All children present during the visit had been signed in at the time of arrival as required. This citation was corrected. The consultant did speak with the Director about documenting school aged children's time of departure when the bus picks them up from the center and signing the children back in at their time of arrival from school. The attendance records did include the arrival time and departure time for school aged children when their parent or authorized person dropped them off in the morning and picked them up in the evening. This citation was corrected on this date.

Evening Care

591-1-1-.32 Staffing/Supervision(CR)

Met

Comment

No evening care hours provided currently.

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)**Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that a broom, dust pan, and plunger were in the bathroom in Classroom D and accessible to the children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2022**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.26(6) requires that playground equipment provide an opportunity for the children to engage in a variety of experiences and shall be age-appropriate. For example, toddlers shall not be permitted to swing in swings designed for School-age Children. The outdoor equipment shall be free of lead-based paint, sharp corners and shall be regularly maintained in such a way as to be free of rust and splinters that could pose significant safety hazard to the children. All equipment shall be arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. It was determined based on observation that one green tricycle on the playground had a torn seat cover with exposed foam and the front tire was torn down the middle posing a potential hazard to the children in care. Additionally, the large metal climbing dome had two poles not connected at the very top and the large school aged climbing piece with the large spiral slide had peeling pieces of rubber along the bottom steps that had rough edges and posed a potential hazard to the children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide a variety of age-appropriate equipment that is arranged so as not to obstruct supervision of children. Staff will check the equipment daily to ensure that the equipment is free of hazards, rust and splinters.

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2022**Recited on 10/6/2022****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 based on observation that the large metal climbing dome on the right side of the playground had more than zero but less than six-inches of resilient surfacing under the fall zone.

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: 10/31/2022**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**

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Organization

591-1-1-.16 Governing Body & License**Met****Comment**

591-1-1-.16(f) - The Director stated that the program was not currently offering evening care or weekend care. The consultant asked the Director to submit an amendment in Decal Koala to update the center's current hours of operation.

Correction Deadline: 10/6/2022

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Met****Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)**N/A****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

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 8****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 07/22/2021	
Staff # 2	Met
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2021	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 04/23/2013	

Records Reviewed: 8

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 11/18/2014	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 11/02/2021	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 03/25/2019	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/15/2010	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4

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-.33 Staff Training Not Met

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 a review of records that the center's cook was no longer employed and the Director stated that she did not have evidence of completing four hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Director stated that she would register for a nutrition class to complete the required four clock hours of training. The Center will schedule food preparation training, as required, and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 10/31/2022

Recited on 10/6/2022

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)- This citation was deferred. The program has until December 31, 2022 to correct this citation. Annual training will be reviewed during the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The program provided evidence of staff members completing annual on-going training for the calendar year 2022. The program will ensure that all employees obtain ten hours of annual training each calendar year.

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022

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**

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.