

# 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**

**Date:** 6/3/2022 Arrival: 9:30 AM Departure: 10:30 AM VisitType: Licensing Study

CCLC-28681

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Same

**Quality Rated: No** 

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Compliance Zone Designation				
06/03/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
12/16/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
05/11/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	1	

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	1st left	Three Year Olds	1	6	С	17	С	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	1st Right	Two Year Olds	2	10	С	13	С	NA	NA	Art
Main	2nd Right	One Year Olds	1	4	С	12	С	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	Upstairs Lefts	Four Year Olds	1	10	С	14	С	NA	NA	Art
Main	Upstairs rights	Four Year Olds	1	9	С	12	С	NA	NA	Art
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 68	3		Total C ft.: 0	apacity @	25 sq.			
Total # Cl	hildren this Date: 39	Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 68	3		Total C	apacity @	25 sa.			

ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
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An in-person inspection was conducted on June 3, 2022 with the Provider. An Administrative Review was conducted on June 9, 2022. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed.

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.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 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 <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a> for more information. Free techincal 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) Date Date Denise Hambrick, Program Official Evelyn McBurse, Consultant



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### **Findings Report**

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# The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

# **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)

**Not Evaluated** 

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

# **Children's Records**

Records Reviewed: 5	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met
591-1-108 Children's Records	Met

# Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility 1

# Met 591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR) Comment Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center. 591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) Met Comment Center appears clean and well maintained. 591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) Met Comment Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards: - Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys. Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area. Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.). Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area. Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather. Fall zones and resilient surface. Food Service 591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition Met Comment Center menu meets USDA guidelines. 591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations Met Comment Kitchen appears clean and well organized. **Health and Hygiene** 591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR) Met Comment Proper diapering procedures observed. 591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR) Met Comment Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands. 591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR) **Not Evaluated** Comment The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication. **Policies and Procedures** 591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures Met Comment Observed complete emergency drills. 591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices Met Observed all required posted notices. Safety

# 591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)

Met

### Comment

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

# 591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)

**Not Evaluated** 

#### Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation.

# **Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

Met

#### 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: 13	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 06/01/2010	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 06/01/2010	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 07/28/2021	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 07/29/2020	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 02/17/2014	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 08/05/2011	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 03/15/2021	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 08/16/2021	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 09/27/2021	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 02/15/2021	Met

#### Records Reviewed: 13 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/2010

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 08/10/2020

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/2010

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 5

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

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit on December 16, 2021.

#### Finding

591-1-Ī-.09(1)(c) requires the Center to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on review of records that a staff member did not have a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination expired on September 9, 2021. A Comprehensive Records Check Determination was not obtained every five years as required.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will [] to ensure that every Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center. The Comprehensive Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The center will [] to ensure the CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 12/16/2021

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.09(1)(I)3. requires the Center to immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for a Director, Employee or Provisional Employee at least once every five years. It was determined based on review of records that a staff member's Comprehensive Records Check Determination expired on September 9, 2021. A Comprehensive Records Check Determination was not obtained every five years as required.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMÈDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will [] to ensure that each Director, Employee and Provisional Employee has a Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file that has been issued within the past five years. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will [] to ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 12/16/2021

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

Met

#### Comment

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

#### Comment

Please be mindful of training expiration dates.

# 591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

#### Comment

Please ensure each staff member completes 10 clock hours of annual training in 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.