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Cover Sheet

Date: 7/22/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:00 AM **Departure:** 11:00 AM

CCLC-32675

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation			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.
02/09/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/08/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/06/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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	Room A: 1L	Two Year Olds	1	2	C	12	C	NA	NA	Outside
Main	Room B: 2L		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	Room C: 2R	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	2	13	C	18	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Room D: 1R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	9	C	18	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 60						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 24			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 60			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG A: 2-4 years	91	C
Main	PG B: Toddler-Preschool	25	C

Comments

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)

Angilla Jones, Program Official

Date

Leena Mitchell, Consultant

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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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12 - Please ensure equipment and furniture are properly secured, as applicable.

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

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)

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/16/2022

Corrected on 7/22/2022

.25(7) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed the maintenance closet door to be locked as required.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26 - Playground observed to be clean and in good repair. 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.

Correction Deadline: 2/19/2022**Corrected on 7/22/2022**

.26(8) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed adequate resilient surface beneath the equipment.

Correction Deadline: 3/2/2022**Corrected on 7/22/2022**

.26(9) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed the playground to be free of hazards.

Food Service

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.18(12) - Please ensure children are excluded from the kitchen except as part of a planned, supervised learning experience.

Correction Deadline: 7/22/2022**Health and Hygiene**

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

Correction Deadline: 2/16/2022**Corrected on 7/22/2022**

.10(9) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed the diaper changing area to be free of food preparation items.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Met****Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

Correction Deadline: 2/16/2022**Corrected on 7/22/2022**

.17(6) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed all trash cans to have a tight-fitting cover as required.

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Met****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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) **Met**

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: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 07/31/2019	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2013	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2011	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 06/04/2018	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 6

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 on February 9, 2022.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Defer**

Defer

591-1-1-.33(5)- The previous citation was deferred due to the provider having until the end of December 31, 2022, to complete the required 10 hours of annual training. The consultant discussed with the provider to maintain a copy of their completed training certificates for the year 2022 in their personal file or via their Georgia Professional Development System account online.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will plan and schedule the required 10 hours of annual training each year and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 2/15/2022

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Correction Deadline: 2/9/2022

Corrected on 7/22/2022

.32(2) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed center to maintain proper Staff:child ratios.

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/9/2022

Corrected on 7/22/2022

.32(7) - The consultant observed the previous citation to be corrected in that the consultant observed children to be supervised at all times.