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Cover Sheet

Date: 7/12/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 3:15 PM **Departure:** 4:15 PM

CCLC-11594

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Quality Rated: ★

<u>Compliance Zone Designation</u>			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.
07/12/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/08/2021	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
07/28/2020	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	Front Left	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	6	C	7	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Main	Large Back		0	0	C	20	C	28	C	
Main	Right Main (Entrance)	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	9	C	16	C	22	C	Circle Time
Main	Small Back	Infants and One Year Olds	2	7	C	11	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 54			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 68							
Total # Children this Date: 22			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 54				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 68			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Plgd-Main	70	C

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on July 12, 2021. All criminal records checks for staff were reviewed. A virtual visit was conducted with the Director on July 13, 2021.

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

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

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: <http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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)

Yashanda Walker, Program Official

Date

Brandi Mangino, 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

Comment

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

Technical Assistance

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Cleaning and disinfecting of equipment and toys were discussed.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2021

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Children's Records

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 2/8/2021

Corrected on 7/12/2021

.08(1) - Corrected.

Facility

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.
Discussed center licensing capacity. Licensing Capacity was met based on ratios observed.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2021

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.
Discussed keeping hazards inaccessible to children in care.

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2021

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

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute.

Technical Assistance

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.
Playgrounds observed during the virtual walk through.

Please remove limbs from playground from the storms.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2021

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.
Diapering requirements discussed.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2021

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.
Handwashing requirements discussed.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2021

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)**Not Evaluated****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Discipline was not Directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding discipline were discussed.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2021

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)**Technical Assistance****Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Technical Assistance

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Safe Sleep requirements were discussed. Cleaning and disinfecting of mat/cots and cribs as well as cleaning of sheets was discussed. Mat/cots and cribs were observed during the virtual walk through.

Correction Deadline: 7/22/2021

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 10**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 03/10/2021

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 03/22/2021

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/1999

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 06/01/1999

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 09/01/2003

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 10/24/2018

Staff # 7 Met

Records Reviewed: 10**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 8 Met
Date of Hire: 02/01/2017

Staff # 9 Met
Date of Hire: 03/27/2017

Staff # 10 Met
Date of Hire: 05/03/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90
calendar days of hired

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Met

Comment

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

Staffing and Supervision

591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) Technical Assistance

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

Technical Assistance

A virtual visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be fully evaluated and will be reviewed the next regulatory visit.

Staff:child ratio requirements were discussed.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2021

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR) Technical Assistance

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.

Technical Assistance

Discussed new revision to the supervision rule which states: 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.

.) Discussed new revision to restricted food rule which states: Foods that are associated with young children's choking incidents, such as, but not limited to, peanuts, hot dogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, cheese cubes, grapes and any other food that is of similar shape and size of the trachea/windpipe shall not be served to the children less than four (4) years of age. Children older than four (4) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2021