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Cover Sheet

Date: 7/19/2021 **VisitType:** MV POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 11:00 AM

CCLC-157

The Sunshine House #8

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

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.
07/19/2021	MV POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
07/01/2021	Incident Investigation Closure	Support	
06/21/2021	Incident Investigation by Phone	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	1st Right Rear	Infants	2	5	C	7	C	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap,Floor Play
Main	1st Left Rear	Six Year Olds and Over	2	23	C	32	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	2nd Left Rear	One Year Olds	3	13	C	21	C	NA	NA	Story,Art
Main	2nd Right Rear		0	0	C	19	C	NA	NA	
Main	3rd Left Rear	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	2	19	C	34	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	Front Left	Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	19	C	30	C	NA	NA	Transitioning,Story
Main	Front Right	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	18	C	31	C	NA	NA	Centers
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 174			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 97			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG- Back Right Playground	126	C
Main	PG- Front Playground	105	C
Main	PG- Infant Playground	10	C
Main	PG- Left Playground	84	C

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on July 19, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

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.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 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.dec.state.ga.us/>

Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us

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@dec.state.ga.us.

- 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://dec.state.ga.us/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)

Yvette Dennis, Program Official

Date

Melyn Smith, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a MV POI Follow Up:

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) N/A

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

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR) Met

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition Met

Correction Deadline: 6/23/2021

Corrected on 7/19/2021

.15(3) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that baby bottles were observed to be labeled with the individual child's name on this date.

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)

Technical Assistance

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591-1-1-.20(3) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to ensure comments were added to medication dispensing records with detailed explanations of why the medication was not administered or was stopped.

Correction Deadline: 7/19/2021

Safety

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director on this date. The Director stated that positive redirection was primarily used in the center.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.36(8) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to ensure the driver documents the time children were loading onto the vehicle used for routine transportation and not the time the driver arrived at the elementary school. The Consultant further discussed adding comments if the travel time exceeded 45 minutes.

Correction Deadline: 7/20/2021

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 25

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 12/20/2020

Staff # 2

Met

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 07/26/2016

Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 06/26/2020	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 08/20/2012	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 09/10/2018	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 03/01/2017	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 08/02/2010	
Staff # 9	Met
Date of Hire: 08/11/2015	
Staff # 10	Met
Date of Hire: 05/15/2020	
Staff # 11	Met
Date of Hire: 03/29/2021	
Staff # 12	Met
Date of Hire: 11/09/2020	
Staff # 13	Met
Staff # 14	Met
Date of Hire: 01/30/2018	
Staff # 15	Met
Date of Hire: 07/31/2019	
Staff # 16	Met
Date of Hire: 03/13/2012	
Staff # 17	Met
Date of Hire: 06/14/2021	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 18	Met
Date of Hire: 06/28/2021	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>

Records Reviewed: 25**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 19	Met
Date of Hire: 12/02/2020	
Staff # 20	Met
Date of Hire: 08/24/1997	
Staff # 21	Met
Date of Hire: 05/30/2017	
Staff # 22	Met
Date of Hire: 07/06/2021	<u>Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 23	Met
Date of Hire: 01/18/2021	
Staff # 24	Met
Date of Hire: 04/25/2016	
Staff # 25	Met
Date of Hire: 03/30/2021	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 11**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)** **Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided three files for employees hired since last visit.

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.

Correction Deadline: 7/14/2021**Corrected on 7/19/2021****.32(2) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that all classrooms were observed to be operating within appropriate staff:child ratios on this date.****591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)** **Met****Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date during the virtual walk through.

Correction Deadline: 7/12/2021

Corrected on 7/19/2021

.32(7) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation and director statement, in that adequate supervision was observed during the virtual walk through on this date. The Director stated that staff were instructed to and have implemented name to face checks every thirty minutes to an hour. The Director further stated that staff were given instructions on where to stand on the playground and how to ensure direct supervision and watchful oversight were provided at all times.