

# 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:** 9/7/2022 Arrival: 11:05 AM Departure: 2:10 PM VisitType: Monitoring Visit

#### **CCLC-4125**

## World Of Hope Child Care Learning Center, A

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Quality Rated: >



Compliance Zone Designation						
09/07/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing				
06/02/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing				
11/17/2021	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

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	Back Left	PreK	2	19	С	28	С	39	С	Circle Time,Music
Main	Back Right		0	0	С	11	С	NA	NA	
Main	Front Left	Infants and One Year Olds	2	11	С	18	С	NA	NA	Feeding,Nap
Main	Middle	Three Year Olds	1	13	С	31	С	NA	NA	Outside,Transitio
Main	Right Front	Two Year Olds	1	10	С	20	С	28	С	Nap
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 1			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 127		•			
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Total Capacity @25 sq. Total # Children this Date: 53 Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 108 ft.: 127

Playground Playground **Building Playground** Compliance Occupancy PG- Front Playground Main 10 C PG- Left Playground С Main 76 PG- Right Playground 37 С Main

# 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.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 Rashuna Belton, Program Official Melyn Smith, 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)

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)

**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 the following potential hazards were observed on this date:

- Back Left Classroom A bottle of hand sanitizer and a plastic bag was observed accessible to children on a low table serving as the teacher's desk. A dust mop was observed accessible to children by the trash can.
- Right Front Classroom A plastic bag was observed accessible to children in a child's cubby. A staff purse, a box of gloves, trash bags, an aerosol can of Glade air freshener, disinfectant wipes, and three spray bottles containing cleaner were observed accessible to children on top of a shelf located near the closet in the classroom. An aerosol can of Hospital Surface Disinfectant and a bottle of Lysol Toilet Bowl Cleaner were observed accessible to children on the bathroom counter near the handwashing sinks. An unsecured cabinet in the bathroom was observed accessible children and contained two containers of Vaseline, hand sanitizer, Suave lotion, a box of Alka Seltzer Plus Cold discs, and four bottles of hair gel. Staples, a bottle of white out, a container of Vaseline, and ten tubes of diaper rash cream were observed accessible to children on a low table serving as the teacher's desk.

# **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: 9/7/2022

# 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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.15(2) requires that a signed written feeding plan for children less than one (1) year of age shall be obtained from Parent(s) and that instructions from the Parent(s) shall be updated regularly as new foods are added or other dietary changes are made. The feeding plan shall be posted in the child's assigned room and must include the child's feeding schedule, the amount of formula or breast milk to be given, instructions for the introduction of solid foods, the amount of food to be given and notation of any type(s) of commercially premixed formula which may not be used in an emergency because of food allergies. It was determined, based on review of records, that three infant feeding plans were lacking the the child's feeding schedule, the amount of formula or breast milk to be given, instructions for the introduction of solid foods, the amount of food to be given, and/or notation of any type(s) of commercially premixed formula which may not be used in an emergency because of food allergies

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center Director will develop and implement a plan to obtain and post the completed feeding plan as part of the enrollment process and to have parents update the plans on a regular basis that will include center staff involved with enrollment and those working in the infant classrooms.

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2022

#### Recited on 9/7/2022

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.15(3) requires baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. It was determined, based on observation, that two unlabeled baby bottles were observed present in the Front Left classroom on this date.

#### **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will train Staff to follow the required procedures, ensure that parents are fully informed, and will review and monitor regularly.

Correction Deadline: 9/7/2022

**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.

Safety

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

Met

#### Comment

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

#### 591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)

Met

## Comment

Field trip documentation observed to be complete.

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

**Not Met** 

#### Comment

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

#### Comment

Paperwork, checklist, permission forms, annual inspection form and proper check of the vehicle after transportation were discussed with the director.

The vehicle had an approved fire extinguisher and first aid kit on this date.

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.36(3)(a-b) requires any Center that provides any type of transportation to obtain two (2) hours of stateapproved or state-accepted transportation training, biannually, for the Director and for each person responsible for or who participates in the transportation of children. The training shall include, but is not limited to, a review of the transportation rules, a review of approved transportation forms and procedures, and instruction on the usage and completion of the forms and procedures. This training may be counted as part of the annual training requirements for Staff. It was determined, based on review of records, that the Directors and one staff participating in routine transportation did not have current evidence of completing the two-hour transportation training, as required every two years.

#### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the Director, Center Staff, and any person responsible for the transportation of children has completed the required transportation training.

## Correction Deadline: 9/30/2022

# Recited on 9/7/2022

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.36(7)(b) requires that an emergency medical information record be maintained in the vehicle for each child being transported. The emergency medical information record for each child shall include a listing of the child's full name, date of birth, allergies, special medical needs and conditions, current prescribed medications that the child is required to take on a daily basis for a chronic condition, the name and telephone number of the child's doctor, the local medical facility that the Center uses in the area where the Center is located and the telephone numbers where the Parents can be reached. It was determined, based on review of records, that three of nine emergency medical information records were observed to be lacking the name and/or telephone number of the child's doctor on this date.

#### **POI** (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain a complete emergency medical information record for each child that is transported and maintain a copy on the vehicle.

# Correction Deadline: 9/9/2022

# Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Met

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 requires that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate comfortably the size and weight of the child; and that mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and at least two inches (2") thick. It was determined, based on observation, that six of eleven mats observed in the Back Right Classroom were observed to have tears with foam exposed, which prevented the mats from being thoroughly cleaned and sanitized on this date.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that cots and mats are of sound construction and of sufficient size to accommodate the size and weight of the child and mats are in good repair, washable, covered with a waterproof material and is at least two inches thick.

Correction Deadline: 9/23/2022

#### **Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(2) - The Consultant discussed with the Director to please ensure infants were not placed in cribs with bibs around their necks, as two infants who were awake were observed in cribs with bibs around their necks in the Front Left Classroom on this date.

Correction Deadline: 9/7/2022

# Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 21 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 07/05/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 2 Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/08/2010

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 07/05/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 4 Not Met

Date of Hire: 01/05/2009

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.36(3)(a-b)-2 hrs. Transportation Training missing

Staff # 5

Date of Hire: 08/22/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 07/28/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90

calendar days of hired

Records Reviewed: 21	Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 09/10/2015	Met
Staff # 8 Date of Hire: 05/16/2022	Met
Staff # 9 Date of Hire: 06/06/2022	Met
Staff # 10 Date of Hire: 07/28/2021	Met
Staff # 11 Date of Hire: 05/31/2022	Met
Staff # 12 Date of Hire: 01/25/2012	Met
Staff # 13 Date of Hire: 06/09/2021	Met
Staff # 14 Date of Hire: 09/20/2021	Met
Staff # 15 Date of Hire: 09/15/2018	Met
Staff # 16 Date of Hire: 07/05/2022	Met  Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 17 Date of Hire: 01/15/2019	Met
Staff # 18 Date of Hire: 08/15/2022	Met  Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired
Staff # 19 Date of Hire: 12/17/2021	Met
Staff # 20 Date of Hire: 09/20/2021	Met
Staff # 21	Met

# Records Reviewed: 21 Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2

Date of Hire: 07/05/2022 Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

#### Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9

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

Met

#### Comment

Director provided nine files for employees hired since last visit.

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

Met

#### Correction Deadline: 6/8/2022

#### Corrected on 9/7/2022

.14(3) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that the Center had complete first aid kits in the Center and in the vehicle used for routine transportation.

591-1-1-.31 Staff(CR) Not Met

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

#### **Finding**

591-1-1-.31(2)(a) requires the Center to ensure there is a designated teacher/lead caregiver for each group of children. It was determined, based on review of records, that the Center was lacking designated teachers/lead caregivers for the one-year-old classroom and the two-year-old classroom on this date.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will designate a qualified lead staff for this group.

Correction Deadline: 9/30/2022

# Recited on 9/7/2022

# **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.