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Cover Sheet

Date: 5/10/2022 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 4:10 PM

Departure: 5:10 PM

CCLC-598

Mother's Love Child Care Center

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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.
11/12/2021	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
11/08/2021	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/29/2021	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Good Standing	
			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
1	A	One Year Olds	1	8	C	14	C	NA	NA	Lunch
1	B	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	7	C	14	C	NA	NA	Lunch
1	K-L	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	15	C	36	C	50	C	Transitioning
1	M	GA PreK	2	16	C	21	C	30	C	Circle Time
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 85			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 192							
2	C		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	
2	D	Infants	1	5	C	13	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play
2	E		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
2	F	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	10	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch
2	G	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	13	NC	NA	NA	Lunch
2	H		0	0	C	13	C	NA	NA	
2	I - J	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	2	12	C	31	C	NA	NA	Outside
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 107			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 192							
Total # Children this Date: 88			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 192				Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 192			

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
1	Main	146	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)

Brenda Dorminey, Program Official

Date

Tomekia Sherman, 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)

Met

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

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

Met

Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms	Met
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Comment

Bathrooms observed to be clean and well maintained.

591-1-1-.19 License Capacity(CR)	Met
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Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)	Met
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Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Food Service

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

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations	Met
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Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the center.

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

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures	Met
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Comment

Program observed complete emergency drills

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices	Met
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Comment

Observed all required posted notices.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals	Met
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Comment

Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)	Met
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Comment

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles dated February 18, 2022 and March 3, 2022 used in transporting children this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)	Met
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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: 35

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0
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Staff # 1	Met
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Date of Hire: 04/14/2021

Staff # 2	Met
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Date of Hire: 04/12/2000

Staff # 3	Met
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Staff # 4	Met
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Staff # 5	Met
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Staff # 6	Met
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Staff # 7	Met
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Staff # 8	Met
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Staff # 9	Met
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Date of Hire: 01/25/2018

Staff # 10	Met
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Staff # 11	Met
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Date of Hire: 03/21/2011

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 02/21/2021

Staff # 13 Met

Staff # 14 Met

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 04/09/2021

Staff # 16 Met

Staff # 17 Met

Staff # 18 Met

Date of Hire: 01/03/2022

Staff # 19 Met

Date of Hire: 07/31/2001

Staff # 20 Met

Date of Hire: 05/13/2021

Staff # 21 Met

Staff # 22 Met

Staff # 23 Met

Date of Hire: 01/03/2022

Staff # 24 Met

Staff # 25 Met

Date of Hire: 08/01/1991

Staff # 26 Met

Date of Hire: 10/03/2016

Staff # 27 Met

Date of Hire: 12/20/2021

Staff # 28 Met

Date of Hire: 05/24/2021

Staff # 29 Met

Records Reviewed: 35**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 30	Met
Date of Hire: 10/21/2019	
Staff # 31	Met
Staff # 32	Met
Staff # 33	Met
Date of Hire: 02/10/2022	
Staff # 34	Met
Staff # 35	Met
Date of Hire: 05/15/1998	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 4**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)** **Met****Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) **Met****Comment**

Director provided 7 files for employees hired since last visit.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR **Met****Comment**

Complete first aid kits observed in center and on vehicles.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Met****Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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**

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR) **Met****Comment**

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.