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Cover Sheet

Date: 5/25/2022 **VisitType:** POI Follow Up **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 12:35 PM

CCLC-51181

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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.
05/25/2022	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
03/28/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/13/2021	Licensing Study	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	
Main	A-1R	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	17	NC	15	NC	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch, Nap	
Main	B-1L	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	1	7	NC	13	C	NA	NA	Nap, Diapering	
Main	C-2L	Six Year Olds and Over	1	5	NC	9	C	NA	NA		
Main	D-3L		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	Free Play	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:					47	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:					0
Total # Children this Date: 29			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			47	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:				0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance

Comments

The purpose of today's visit was to conduct follow up from the previous visit conducted on March 28, 2022.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 05/25/2022

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)

Andrea King, Program Official

Date

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a POI Follow Up:

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 4

Child # 1	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> .08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing	
Child # 2	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> .08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing	
Child # 3	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> .08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing	
Child # 4	Not Met
<u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> .08(3)-Address of Release Person Missing	
Child # 5	Met

Finding

591-1-1-.08(1) requires the Center Staff to maintain a file for each child while such child is in care and for one year after that child is no longer enrolled. In order for the file to be complete, the file shall contain the following: child's name, birth date, sex, address, living arrangement, name of school if applicable; names of both Parents, home and work addresses, and home and work telephone numbers; name(s) and addresses of the person(s) to whom the child may be released including address, telephone numbers, relationship to child and to Parent(s), and other identifying information; name(s) and telephone number(s) of person(s) to contact in emergencies when the Parent cannot be reached; name and telephone number of the child's primary source of health care; and a statement regarding known allergies, physical problems, mental health disorders, mental retardation or developmental disabilities which limit the child's participation in the program. It was determined based on review of records that child file #3 and child file # 5 did not have documentation of the release to persons' address.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will develop a plan that includes how to obtain all required information for currently enrolled children and how to ensure this is done for future enrollees as well. The plan will also include how and where to maintain files for the required amount of time. The plan will be implemented and followed.

Correction Deadline: 4/7/2022

Finding

591-1-1-.08(2) requires Center Staff to maintain a file for each child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations for each child enrolled in the center on a form approved by the Department, and to allow no child to continue enrollment in the Center for more than thirty (30) days without such evidence. It was determined based on review of records that child file # 4 and child file # 5 did not have evidence of a current Georgia 3231 immunization certificate on file. Child file # 3 had immunization records that were not on a form approved by the department.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

Center staff will have and use a plan to track immunization forms for all enrolled children and to ensure the form or affidavit are obtained from the parent or guardian within 30 days of enrollment. Parents will be informed their child cannot remain enrolled in the center without this documentation.

Correction Deadline: 4/7/2022

Facility

Finding

591-1-1-.19(1) requires a Center to provide 35 square feet of usable space per child, which will determine the Center's License capacity. It was determined based on observation that the center exceeded the licensed capacity of fifteen children in classroom A when seventeen children were present for care. Further, room C was being utilized as a classroom for school aged children when it was limited for use to no more than 30 minutes a day.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will limit the number of children in this space to the licensed capacity.

Correction Deadline: 5/25/2022

Staff Records

Correction Deadline: 4/7/2022

Corrected on 5/25/2022

.33(4) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected. Center provided evidence confirming the program's director who is also responsible for food preparation completed the required four-clock hour nutrition training.

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.31(2)(b)2. requires teachers and lead caregivers to meet minimum academic requirements and qualifying experience at the time of employment. It was determined based on review of records that staff member #2, date of hire June 18, 2019, did not meet the minimum academic requirements required of a lead caregiver.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

A teacher/lead caregiver will be hired that meets the minimum academic requirements and qualifying work experience.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2021

Staffing and Supervision

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.32(2) requires the Center maintain Staff:child ratios in mixed-age groups based on the age of the youngest group of children that includes more than twenty percent of the total number of children in the mixed-age group. It was determined based on observation that one staff member was caring for two infants, three one-year-old children, and two two-year-old children in classroom B when a ratio of 2:7 was required. Further, one staff member was in Room A with eight three-year-old children and nine four-year-old children when a ratio of 2:17 was required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will provide adequate staff when there is a mixed-age group.

Correction Deadline: 5/25/2022