



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Cover Sheet**

**Date:** 3/10/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

**Arrival:** 10:30 AM

**Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-4084**

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**Quality Rated:** No

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.
03/10/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
11/01/2021	POI Follow Up	Good Standing	
10/06/2021	Complaint Investigation by Phone	Deficient	

  

<b>Good Standing</b>	- Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
<b>Support</b>	- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules.
<b>Deficient</b>	- 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	200		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	100 A	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	12	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch, Diapering
Main	100 B	Infants	1	4	C	9	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	101	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	12	C	21	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	201		0	0	C	21	C	NA	NA	
Main	300	One Year Olds	1	6	C	20	C	NA	NA	Transitioning
Main	400	Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	9	C	22	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Lunch
Main	500	Three Year Olds	1	10	C	27	C	NA	NA	Story
Main	600		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	601		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	602		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA	
Main	603	Two Year Olds	2	18	C	24	C	NA	NA	TV, Transitioning
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 207					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 65			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 207			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A - Front Playground	17	C

Main	B - Back Right Playground	78	C
Main	C - Back Left Playground	100	C

**Comments**

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a Monitoring visit. This visit was conducted in person by the Consultant on March 10, 2022.

An Administrative Review for a Monitoring visit was completed on March 16, 2022 by the Consultant.

An Exit Conference discussing the Monitoring report was conducted between the Consultant and Director on March 17, 2022. Consultant emailed a copy of the Monitoring visit report to the Director requesting signature and to be emailed back to the Consultant within two (2) business days.

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 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](mailto: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.

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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](http://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.'

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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)

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Pam McCoury, Program Official

Date

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Charlene Story, 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**

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured on this date.

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

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

#### Facility

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

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center on this date.

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

**Comment**

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

**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)** **Not Met**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(4) - Consultant discussed with the Director to ensure bolts along the fence and gate of the playground are no longer than two (2) thread length.

**Correction Deadline: 3/10/2022**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.26(6) - Consultant discussed with Director to ensure playground equipment is clean and well maintained.

**Correction Deadline: 3/20/2022**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined based on consultant observation that the following hazards were found on each playground:

Playground A

\* PVC drainage pipe sticking out of the ground to the right of the door leading out of Classroom 603

Playground B

\* Large round exposed concrete in the middle of the playground by the small picnic table

Playground C

\* Exposed tree roots to the back left corner beside the shelter

\* Exposed concrete between the climbing equipment and equipment with slide

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will remove any litter and fix or remove hazards from the playground and will routinely monitor the playground and remove litter and hazards.

**Correction Deadline: 3/10/2022**

**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Comment**

Proper diapering procedures observed.

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

**Comment**

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

**Comment**

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

**Safety**

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

**Comment**

Consultant observed age-appropriate discussion and redirection in Classroom 400.

Consultant also discussed age appropriate discipline and redirection with staff.

**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)** **Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(4)(b) - Consultant discussed with the Director to ensure the interior of all vehicles are kept clean and well maintained.

Director informed Consultant on the date of visit, that due to low attendance of children being transported, the white van with tag 8595AKC is not being used for the transporting of the children. The facility is only using the white bus with tag PND7691 to transport children at this time.

**Correction Deadline: 3/11/2022**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.36(4)(c) - Consultant discussed with Director to ensure all vehicles used for transportation have a functioning fire extinguisher.

Director informed Consultant on the date of visit, that due to low attendance of children being transported, the white van with tag 8595AKC is not being used for the transporting of the children. The facility is only using the white bus with tag PND7691 to transport children at this time.

**Correction Deadline: 3/10/2022**

<b>Sleeping &amp; Resting Equipment</b>
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**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)**

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)1 - Consultant discussed with Director to ensure cots are in good condition and have no frayed edges.

**Correction Deadline: 3/10/2022**

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**Records Reviewed: 13**

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

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 01/22/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 03/09/2022	<u>Reminder - Health &amp; Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired</u>
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 11/22/2021	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 08/11/2021	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 05/04/2015	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 01/18/2012	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 03/20/2017	
Staff # 8	Met
Date of Hire: 12/01/2003	
Staff # 9	Met

**Records Reviewed: 13**

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

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Date of Hire: 04/04/2017

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 08/14/2002

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 02/16/2010

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 04/07/2008

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 11/16/2010

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**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 10**

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

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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**591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR) Met**

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.