



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
**2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower**  
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**Date:** 8/15/2023    **VisitType:** TA Follow Up    **Arrival:** 11:00 AM    **Departure:** 12:35 PM

**CCLC-50463**

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Consultant**

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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.  <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.
08/15/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing	
08/14/2023	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
08/02/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

**Ratios/License Capacity**

Building	Room	Age Group	Max 35 SF.	Max 25 SF.
Main	A/1L		29	NA
Main	B-2L-1's		24	NA
Main	C-Front-4's, 5's&up		33	46
Main	D-3L-4's		25	35
Main	E-4R-3's		25	35
Main	F-3R-3's		23	33
Main	G-2R-3's		23	32
Main	H-1R-1's&2's		24	NA
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 206			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0	
Total # Children this Date: 0			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0	

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy
Main	PG/A/Small	17
Main	PG/B/Large	116

**Comments**

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a follow up/coaching technical assistance visit on this date. TA consultant reviewed the transportation logs and coached the director/owner on completing the transportation logs in it's entirety. The program scheduled the next follow up technical assistance visit on September 21, 2023.

## Strength Based TA

Plan of Improvement:

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.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

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](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.

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)



### 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.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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Kierra Hughley, Program Official

Date

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Kristy Turner, Technical Assistance Unit Consultant

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**Purpose:**

**Arrival:**

**Departure:**

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**Completed -TA Goals and Steps****Facility**

**Rule: 591-1-1-.26(8) - (8) Fall Zones and Surfacing.** Climbing and swinging equipment shall have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency.

**S.M.A.R.T Goal:** The program will ensure that the climbing and swinging equipment shall have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment must be adequately maintained by the Center to assure continuing resiliency.

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	The program have replaced their resilient surfacing.	Director/Owner	08/15/2023	08/15/2023	

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided:

<b>Completed -TA Goals and Steps</b>					
<b>Health and Hygiene</b>					
<b>Rule: 591-1-1-.17(6) - (6) Garbage.</b> Garbage and organic waste shall be stored in containers that are lined with plastic liners and have tight-fitting covers. Trash and garbage shall be removed from the building daily or as often as necessary to maintain the premises in a clean condition.					
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1	The ordered three trash cans. The program recieved only one trash cans.	Director/Owner	09/21/2023	08/15/2023	TA consultant will follow up on next visit date.
Materials Needed:					
Resources Provided:					

**Completed -TA Goals and Steps****Safety**

**Rule: 591-1-1-.36(7)(c)3. - 3. The driver or other designated Staff person shall also document in writing the departure/arrival times for all types of transportation on the passenger transportation checklist as follows: School Transportation - each time the vehicle departs from the Center, is loaded or unloaded at each school and when the vehicle returns to the Center; Home Transportation - each time the vehicle departs from the Center, arrives at the location where any child is picked up or dropped off and when the vehicle returns to the Center; and Field Trip Transportation- each time the vehicle leaves the Center, arrives at a field trip destination, leaves a field trip destination, and returns to the Center.**

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1	TA consultant reviewed transportation logs and advised the program to update/complete the transportation logs in its entirety.  TA consultant will follow up on the next visit date.	Director/Owner	08/15/2023	08/15/2023	TA consultant reviewed the first two weeks of August transportation logs.

Materials Needed: TA consultant emailed the indicator manual and rules and regulations.

Resources Provided: