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Cover Sheet

Date: 11/14/2022 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 10:30 AM

Departure: 12:45 PM

CCLC-53597

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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.
11/14/2022	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
05/31/2022	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/26/2021	Monitoring Visit	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 6wks-2yrs	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	17	NC	13	NC	NA	NA	Feeding, Transitioning, Nap
Main	B 3-12yrs	Three Year Olds	1	11	C	15	C	NA	NA	Lunch, TV, Nap
Main	C 6wks- 12 months	Infants and One Year Olds	1	6	C	11	C	NA	NA	Nap, Free Play
Main	D 3yrs - 12 yrs		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	E - Back room		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 63					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					
Total # Children this Date: 34			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 63			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A - 6 wks-12 yrs	33	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a monitoring visit and to follow-up to previous visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 11/14/2022

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/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 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)

whitney Gray, Program Official

Date

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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)

Technical Assistance

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

Technical Assistance

requires Center Staff to provide table space for each child who is able to sit at a table unassisted and an appropriately sized chair.

Correction Deadline: 12/14/2022

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)

Not Met

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 classroom A was observed to have 17 children in a room license for a capacity of 13.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2022

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.25(12) requires heating and cooling equipment to be protected to prevent children from touching it. Fans, space heaters, etc. shall be positioned or installed so as to be inaccessible to the children. It was determined based on observation that classrooms B and C had fans accessible to children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will re-position or re-install equipment, as needed, and will make all such equipment inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2022

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(13) - Please ensure that doors with hazardous materials inside are locked at all times.

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2022

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.26(9) - Consultant discuss with the provider to ensure that the water hose is not accessible to children on the playground.

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2022

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 5/31/2022

Corrected on 11/14/2022

.15(5) - Previous citation was corrected. Consultant observed the center to have a current menu.

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)

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting

Met

Comment

Discussed reporting requirements.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

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

Comment

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

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

Finding

591-1-1-.30(2) requires the Center to provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants. Center Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant’s back in a crib unless the Center has been provided a physician’s written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant’s back but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred position and not re-position the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer’s guidelines and will not slide up around the infant’s face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant. Swaddling shall not be used unless the Center has been provided a physician’s written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Center Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant, such as, but not limited to, crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined based on observation consultant observed a infant sleep in the crib on her stomach. Staff stated that they place infant on their stomach in the crib when napping.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will take all steps necessary to provide a safe sleep environment for infants as listed in these rules; will train Staff to follow these rules; and will monitor for compliance.

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2022

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 17

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 05/16/2017	
Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 08/24/2021	
Staff # 3	Met
Date of Hire: 05/10/2022	
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 06/21/2021	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 12/01/2020	

Records Reviewed: 17

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 6 Met

Date of Hire: 05/16/2022

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 12/01/2020

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 09/19/2022

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 02/22/2021

Staff # 10 Met

Date of Hire: 03/04/2022

Staff # 11 Met

Date of Hire: 08/02/2022

Staff # 12 Met

Date of Hire: 01/24/2022

Staff # 13 Met

Date of Hire: 10/21/2021

Staff # 14 Met

Date of Hire: 03/19/2021

Staff # 15 Met

Date of Hire: 04/20/2022

Staff # 16 Met

Date of Hire: 01/24/2022

Staff # 17 Met

Date of Hire: 07/05/2022

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Discussed that all lead staff must enroll in an approved education program within 6 months of hire and complete degree within 18 months.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Consultant discuss with the director Staff:child ratios in mixed-age groups

Correction Deadline: 11/14/2022

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

Met

Comment

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