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Cover Sheet

Date: 6/17/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:00 AM

Departure: 10:00 AM

CCLC-36957

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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. 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.
06/17/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
10/22/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
11/20/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing	

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/Front	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Six Year Olds and Over	1	7	C	26	C	NA	NA	Art
Main	B/Middle	Two Year Olds	1	4	C	26	C	NA	NA	Art,Centers
Main	C/Back		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	D/R		0	0	C	14	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 77			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							
Total # Children this Date: 11			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0							

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	PG	38	C

Comments

A virtual inspection was conducted on June 17, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on June 16, 2021, was reviewed during the virtual inspection

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/17/2021

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.decal.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



Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/>
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decal.ga.gov

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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.ga.gov.

- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
- 2) Your name, title/relationship to the facility, e-mail address & up to two phone number(s) where you can be reached
- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

Refutations must be submitted to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

A sample form for submitting a refutation can be found at: <http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx>

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)

Keisha Reaves, Program Official

Date

Lajuana Williams, 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

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date

591-1-1.35 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)

N/A

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1.19 License Capacity(CR)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center was observed to be in compliance with the licensed capacity this date.

591-1-1.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through storage of cleaning supplies and possible hazards were discussed. There were no hazards observed to be accessible to the children this date.

591-1-1.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Defer

Defer

591-1-1.26(9)- A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Due to technical difficulties this rule could not be fully evaluated as only a portion of the outdoor play area could be observed. This rule will be reviewed on the next regulatory visit,

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: 11/20/2019

Health and Hygiene

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.10 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date as diapering was not directly observed during the virtual walk through.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.17 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic Hand washing and sanitizing requirements for diapering were discussed with the Director on this date.

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

N/A

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.11 - A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director this date.

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

Defer

Defer

591-1-1-.36(6)-A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed during the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will obtain the required written parental authorization.

Correction Deadline: 11/21/2019

Defer

591-1-1-.36(7)(d)-A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. This rule was unable to be evaluated and will be reviewed during the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure routes are separated onto two separate checklist (corrected on site). The center will ensure that the vehicle is thoroughly checked by a staff person who was present on the vehicle during the trip and also checked by a second staff person. The center will ensure that a telephone call is documented by the center providing transportation after the vehicle is empty and if and when the vehicle does not return to this center.

Correction Deadline: 11/21/2019

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Not Evaluated

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through it was discussed that infant children were not in care at this time.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 3

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Date of Hire: 05/03/2021	Met
Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 11/14/2014	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 08/25/2019	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The Director supplied a completed staff profile for review prior to the virtual walk through. Staff criminal records check information was verified in Koala Outback. Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training **Defer**

Defer

591-1-1-.33(4)-Training will be observed on the next regulatory visit.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will schedule food preparation training, as required, and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

Correction Deadline: 11/21/2020

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on June 16, 2021

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through the center was observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. During the virtual walk through adequate supervision was observed on this date.