



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 8/14/2017    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 9:10 AM    **Departure:** 12:00 PM

**CCLC-14468**

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<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.
08/14/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
02/07/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
10/24/2016	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	

  

<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	Left (infant)	Infants and One Year Olds	3	14	C	21	C	NA	NA	Feeding, Floor Play	
Main	Middle Left	Two Year Olds	2	18	C	25	C	NA	NA	Circle Time	
Main	Middle Right Back	Three Year Olds	1	14	C	14	C	NA	NA	Circle Time	
Main	Middle Right Front	Four Year Olds	1	13	C	19	C	NA	NA	Transitioning	
Main	Right Back	Six Year Olds and Over	1	4	C	23	C	NA	NA	TV	
Main	Right Front		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA		
Main	Trailer		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA		
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 142					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0						
Total # Children this Date: 63					Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 142					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0	

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A Left	6	C
Main	B Middle back yard	22	C
Main	C Right rear yard	12	C
Main	D right front yard	28	C

**Comments**

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).



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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@dec.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@dec.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://dec.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)

Christine Oglesby, Program Official

Date

Melyn Smith, Consultant

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)**

Met

**Comment**

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

Met

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

#### Evening Care

**591-1-1-.32 Staffing/Supervision(CR)**

Met

**Comment**

The director provided evidence that the staff:child ratios during evening care hours are met on this date.

#### Facility

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

Met

**Comment**

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

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

Met

**Comment**

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

**Correction Deadline: 2/8/2017**

**Corrected on 8/14/2017**

**.25(13) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that no hazards were observed accessible to children on this date.**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observation-Clean/Good Repair. One section of the Middle Back Playground was observed to be roped off and inaccessible to children on this date due to the center repairing storm damage which occurred in the past two weeks.

**Correction Deadline: 2/28/2017****Corrected on 8/14/2017**

.26(3) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that a safe route was observed to the playground on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 2/21/2017****Corrected on 8/14/2017**

.26(7) - Previous citation corrected, based on observation, in that all climbing and swinging equipment was observed to have resilient surfacing beneath as required on this date.

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<b>Health and Hygiene</b>
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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Observed-Staff Remind Children Wash Hand

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

The director stated that medication is not dispensed at this time.

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<b>Policies and Procedures</b>
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**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.21(1)(p) - Consultant discussed with the director updating the Center's written plan for handling emergencies, including but not limited to severe weather, loss of electrical power or water and death, serious injury or loss of a child, a threatening event, or natural disaster which may occur at the Center; to have in place procedures for evacuation, relocation, shelter-in-place, lock-down, communication and reunification with families, and continuity of operations on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 8/19/2017**

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<b>Safety</b>
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**591-1-1-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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**591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)****Met****Comment**

No Field Trips at This Time

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**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Complete Documentation and Second Check of the Vehicle upon arriving to the Center from Home Transportation

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

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

<b>Staff Records</b>
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**591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

**Correction Deadline: 8/3/2016**

**Corrected on 8/14/2017**

**.09(1)(d) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that all staff hired after January 1, 2014 had satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determinations on file on this date.**

**Correction Deadline: 2/8/2017**

**Corrected on 8/14/2017**

**.09(1)(e) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that all staff hired before January 1, 2014 had satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determinations on file on this date.**

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

591-1-1-.31(13) - Consultant observed Center staff to comply with all applicable laws and regulations on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 8/14/2017**

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

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff