



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 12/12/2018 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:45 AM

Departure: 1:00 PM

CCLC-13020

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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.
12/12/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
03/16/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
07/19/2017	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	Infants	1	4	C	12	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	B	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	15	C	24	C	34	C	Lunch
Main	C	One Year Olds	2	7	C	10	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D	Two Year Olds	1	9	C	13	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	E		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	
Main	F		0	0	C	10	C	14	C	

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 89

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 103

Total # Children this Date: 35

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Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Infant/Toddler right	12	C
Main	Preschool left	69	C
Main	Toddler right	18	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).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.dec.state.ga.us/CCS/RuleAndRegulations.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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@dec.state.ga.us.

- 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.state.ga.us/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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

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

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)

Met

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

Correction Deadline: 3/16/2018

Corrected on 12/12/2018

.12(4) - Previous citation corrected. It was determined based on observation that the TV had been anchored on this date.

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

Met

Comment

Per the Provider. "The center does not provide swimming activities."

Facility

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

Met

Comment

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/16/2018

Corrected on 12/12/2018

.25(13) - Previous citations corrected. No hazards accessible to the children in care on this date.

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

591-1-1-.26(4) requires that playgrounds be protected from traffic or other hazards by a (4) four foot high fence or other barrier approved by this Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children and shall be maintained so as to prevent children from leaving the playground area by any means other than through an approved access route. Fence gates shall be kept closed except when persons are entering or exiting the area. It was determined based on observation that the fence had multiple protruding screws on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will routinely check the fence to determine if it is in good repair and remains at least 4 feet high, and will repair any hazards. The Center will train Staff to identify and report any fence hazards and to keep the fence gates closed when not in use.

Correction Deadline: 12/14/2018**Correction Deadline: 3/26/2018****Corrected on 12/12/2018****.26(8) - Previous citations corrected.****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**

Per the Director. "The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication."

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

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

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

Complete documentation of transportation observed.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment**591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Staff Records**Records Reviewed: 9****Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Staff # 1

Met

Records Reviewed: 9**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Date of Hire: 08/01/2004

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 08/20/2018

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 08/20/2018

Staff # 4

Met

Date of Hire: 04/15/2020

Staff # 5

Met

Date of Hire: 07/11/2016

Staff # 6

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/20/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 7

Met

Date of Hire: 10/23/2018

Staff # 8

Not Met

Date of Hire: 08/22/2018

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

.14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing,.33(3)-Health & Safety Certificate

Staff # 9

Met

Date of Hire: 04/01/2007

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 9

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

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 3/16/2018****Corrected on 12/12/2018****.09(1)(c) - Previous citations corrected. It was determined based on review of staff records that all staff had updated Records Check on file for the consultant to review.****591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR****Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on a review of staff records that five out of six staff members did not have the CPR and First Aid training documentation on file for the consultant to review. It was determined based on a review of staff records that a staff member with a start date of November 7, 2017 did not have CPR and first aid on file for the consultant to review. It was determined based on a review of staff records that two staff members did not complete First Aid and CPR within 90 days from the hire date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will develop a schedule to ensure there is always a staff person with current first aid and CPR training present and will develop and implement a plan to ensure all staff members have satisfactorily completed first aid and CPR training by the specified date.

Correction Deadline: 12/14/2018

Recited on 12/12/2018

591-1-1-.24 Personnel Records	Met
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Correction Deadline: 3/21/2018

Corrected on 12/12/2018

.24(1) - Previous citations corrected. It was determined based on a review of staff records that all staff members had files for the consultant to review.

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Staffing and Supervision

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

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Adequate supervision observed on this date.