



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 9/13/2021 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:30 AM **Departure:** 10:30 AM

CCLC-132

Sheltering Arms - Stonewall Tell

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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. |
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| 09/13/2021 | Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| 03/17/2021 | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing | |
| 12/02/2020 | Complaint Closure | 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 | 1 | Infants | 2 | 3 | C | 13 | C | NA | NA | Floor Play |
| Main | 10 | PreK | 2 | 7 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Outside |
| Main | 11 | PreK | 2 | 8 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | 12 | Three Year Olds | 2 | 11 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | 13 | | 0 | 0 | C | 24 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| Main | 14 | | 0 | 0 | C | 24 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| Main | 15 | | 0 | 0 | C | 24 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| Main | 16 | Three Year Olds | 2 | 13 | C | 24 | C | NA | NA | Outside |
| Main | 2 | | 0 | 0 | C | 13 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| Main | 3 | One Year Olds | 1 | 7 | C | 17 | C | NA | NA | Centers |
| Main | 4 | One Year Olds | 2 | 8 | C | 17 | C | NA | NA | Circle Time |
| Main | 5 | | 0 | 0 | C | 17 | C | NA | NA | Not In Use |
| Main | 6 | Two Year Olds | 2 | 4 | C | 17 | C | NA | NA | Circle Time |
| Main | 7 | Two Year Olds | 2 | 5 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Outside |
| Main | 8 | Two Year Olds | 2 | 11 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Outside |
| Main | 9 | PreK | 2 | 11 | C | 25 | C | NA | NA | Centers |

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 340

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 88

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 340

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0


| Building | Playground | Playground Occupancy | Playground Compliance |
|----------|------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| Main | Pre-K | 90 | C |

Comments

An Administrative Review was conducted on September 13, 2021. Staff files, children's files, training, and background checks were all reviewed. A virtual inspection was conducted on September 13, 2021 with the Director. An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/13/2021

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).

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|  | <p>Please refer to the website, http://www.dec.al.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 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 |
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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.al.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.al.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)



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.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

Melody Johnson, Program Official

Date

Jessica Grant, Consultant

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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

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

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

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities, per the Director.

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**

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Comment

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

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

Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense medication.

Safety

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

Comment

Age-appropriate redirection observed.

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

Comment

Center does not provide routine transportation, per the Director.

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: 34

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 1

| | |
|--------------------------|-----|
| Staff # 1 | Met |
| Staff # 2 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 08/05/2019 | |
| Staff # 3 | Met |
| Staff # 4 | Met |
| Staff # 5 | Met |
| Staff # 6 | Met |
| Staff # 7 | Met |
| Staff # 8 | Met |
| Staff # 9 | Met |
| Staff # 10 | Met |
| Staff # 11 | Met |

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|---|---------|
| Staff # 12 | Met |
| Staff # 13 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/13/2020 | |
| Staff # 14 | Met |
| Staff # 15 | Met |
| Staff # 16 | Met |
| Staff # 17 | Met |
| Staff # 18 | Met |
| Staff # 19 | Met |
| Staff # 20 | Met |
| Staff # 21 | Met |
| Staff # 22 | Met |
| Staff # 23 | Met |
| Staff # 24 | Met |
| Staff # 25 | Met |
| Date of Hire: 01/27/2020 | |
| Staff # 26 | Met |
| Staff # 27 | Met |
| Staff # 28 | Met |
| Staff # 29 | Not Met |
| <u>"Missing/Incomplete Components"</u> | |
| .09-Criminal Records Check Dissatisfied | |
| Staff # 30 | Met |
| Staff # 31 | Met |
| Staff # 32 | Met |
| Staff # 33 | Met |
| Staff # 34 | Met |

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

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(d) requires the Center to ensure that every Provisional Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center and must be supervised at all times by a Director or Employee with a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination. The Fingerprint Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Provisional Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination is required. It was determined based on review of documents that staff person #29 was observed to have a fingerprint records check determination letter that had expired 7/29/2021.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will monitor the fingerprint records check determination letters to ensure that every Provisional Employee has a valid and current satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination on file prior to being present at the Center while any child is present for care or before an individual age 17 or older resides in the Center and must be supervised at all times by a Director or Employee with a valid and current satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination. The Fingerprint Records Check Determination must have a Records Check Clearance Date that is no older than the preceding 12 months of the hire date; provided, however, if the Provisional Employee has had a lapse of employment from the child care industry that lasted for 180 days (6 months) or longer, a new satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination is required. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will monitor the fingerprint records check determination letters to ensure CRC rules are maintained.

Correction Deadline: 9/13/2021

Finding

591-1-1-.09(1)(l)3. requires the Center to immediately require a new Comprehensive Records Check Determination for a Director, Employee or Provisional Employee at least once every five years. It was determined based on review of documents that staff person #29 was observed to have a comprehensive records check determination letter that had expired 7/29/2021.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

IMMEDIATE CORRECTION - The Center will monitor the fingerprint records check determination letters to ensure that each Director, Employee and Provisional Employee has a Comprehensive Records Check Determination on file that has been issued within the past five years. The program's owner or an officer/member of the corporation must view the A to Z Background Check video units pertaining to this records check rule and return the signed affidavit within one week from this visit date. The Center will review the fingerprint records check determination letters to ensure CRC rules are maintained.

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591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR

Met

Comment

Evidence observed of 50% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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.

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

Comment

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Met

Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.