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Date: 9/21/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 11:40 AM **Departure:** 1:30 PM

CCLC-23135

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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.
09/21/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
02/07/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/26/2016	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-Room 104	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	4	13	C	18	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	B-Room 105		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	
Main	C-Room 106	Two Year Olds	2	9	C	17	C	NA	NA	Nap
Main	D-Room 107		0	0	C	20	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	E-Room 108		0	0	C	16	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	F- Room 109		0	0	C	17	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	G- Room 103	One Year Olds	2	5	C	18	C	NA	NA	Story
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 75						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0	Building @35 capacity limited by Fire Marshall Limitations			
Total # Children this Date: 27		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 75			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground	49	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to complete a licensing study to follow up to the previous visit conducted on February 7, 2017.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/21/2017

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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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@decga.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://decga.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)

DeGina Scoggins, Program Official

Date

Candace Gilbert, 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

Observed-Variety Throughout Center

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

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 5**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Child # 1	Met
Child # 2	Met
Child # 3	Met
Child # 4	Met
Child # 5	Met

591-1-1-.08 Children's Records**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.08(6) - Please ensure that on arrival and departure sheets that parents sign children out at arrival and departure with initials or signature and not with "mom" or "dad". Please ensure that there are individual signatures or initials for arrival and departure each day the child attends.

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2017

Facility

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

Comment

Licensed Capacity Routinely Met

591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR) **Not Met**

Finding

591-1-1-.25(13) requires that potentially hazardous equipment, materials and supplies be stored in a locked area inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation by consultant there was an adult purse/bag on the ground and accessible to children in Classroom 104. Additionally in the bathroom that adjoins Classroom 104 and Classroom 103 diaper cream and lip therapy are located in a plastic shoe holder within reach of children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will identify all hazardous items and keep them in a locked area inaccessible to children. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2017

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

Comment

Discussed-Fluff/Redistribute Surface

Food Service

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

Comment

Menu Meets USDA Guidelines

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations **Technical Assistance**

Comment

Consultant observed Health Department inspection dated September 6, 2017 with a score of 100.

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.18(5) - Please ensure that there are working thermometers in refrigerators located in classrooms.

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2017

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Comment

Observed-Proper Hand Washing Throughout

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

Comment

Provider stated that no medications are administered at the center.

Policies and Procedures

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.21(3) - Please ensure that a lock down drill is conducted and recorded at least every six months.

Correction Deadline: 9/26/2017

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals **Met**

Comment

No Animals Kept

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

Comment

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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

Comment

No Field Trips at This Time

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

Comment

No Routine Transportation Provided

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

591-1-1-.30 Safe Sleeping and Resting Requirements(CR) **Not Met**

Comment

No infants enrolled at center.

Finding

591-1-1-.30(1)(b) requires that cots and mats are provided for each child who is two (2) years of age or older and who is required to take a nap. and for each child under the age of two (2) years who can climb out of a crib. It was determined based on observation by consultant that in Classroom C two-year-old children were napping on "nap mats" (blanket type sleeping bags) directly on the floor without a cot or mat that met requirements.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The center will ensure that cots and mats are provided for each child who is two (2) years of age or older and who is required to take a nap. and for each child under the age of two years who can climb out of a crib.

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2017

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1	Met
Date of Hire: 07/01/2008	

Staff # 2	Met
Date of Hire: 08/01/2016	

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 3	Met
Staff # 4	Met
Date of Hire: 02/14/2017	
Staff # 5	Met
Date of Hire: 01/12/2016	
Staff # 6	Met
Date of Hire: 02/06/2017	
Staff # 7	Met
Date of Hire: 07/01/2014	

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

591-1-1-.09 Criminal Records Check(CR) **Met**

Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

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

Comment

Observed-100% Certified First Aid & CPR

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

Comment

Observed - Documentation Of Training

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

Comment

591-1-1-.31(13) - Consultant observed staff to follow all applicable laws and regulations.

Correction Deadline: 9/21/2017

Staffing and Supervision

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

Comment

Observed-Appropriate Staff:Child Ratios

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

Comment

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attentive Staff