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Date: 8/2/2018 **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:10 AM **Departure:** 4:20 PM

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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.
08/02/2018	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
08/02/2018	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
03/27/2018	Monitoring Visit	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	B-Gabriel		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	C-Sarah		0	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	
Main	David		0	0	C	25	C	NA	NA	
Main	E-Seraphine		0	0	C	23	C	NA	NA	
Main	F-Eagles		0	0	C	22	C	NA	NA	
Main	I-Asher		0	0	C	17	C	23	C	
Main	J- Daniel	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds and Five Year Olds	1	14	C	16	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Main	Jonah	Three Year Olds	1	15	C	17	C	24	C	Nap
Main	Michael		1	0	C	12	C	NA	NA	Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 156						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 169				
Total # Children this Date: 29			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 156			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 169				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A	32	C
Main	B- Preschool	102	C

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a monitoring visit and to follow-up on the previous visit conducted on March 27, 2018. Consultant discussed Quality Rated, Comprehensive Background Check, update in USDA guidelines, update of the existing Emergency Preparedness Plan to include all required topics, conducting lockdown drills every six months in addition to fire drills and tornado drills, changes in Provider Search and new features in the provider's Koala account.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/02/2018

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).



Reminder: All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit www.decalkoala.com. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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@decals.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://decals.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). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decals.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@decals.ga.gov

Cera Wallace, Program Official

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)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-.12(4) requires that equipment and furniture is secured if it is of a weight or mass that could cause injury from tipping, falling, or being pulled or pushed over. It was determined based consultant's observation that a 34 inch television was not secured to a table in a way that would prevent it from tipping over. Consultant observed the television to be accessible to the children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that the identified equipment or furniture and any other such existing or future items are secured adequately and will have a system for checking these for stability.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2018

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

Met

Comment

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

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Playground not observed on this date due to inclement weather.

Health and Hygiene

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

There were no infants enrolled in the program on this date. Proper diaper facilities were observed with warm running water and proper ventilation.

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**

Documentation for medication dispensing observed complete.

Safety

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

A current/completed inspection was observed for all vehicles used in transporting children this date.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

591-1-1-.30(1)(b)3 requires that sheets or similar coverings for cots or mats shall either be marked for individual use or laundered daily. If marked for individual use, they must be laundered weekly or more frequently if needed. It was determined based on consultant's observation that seven out of fifteen children did not have sheets on their cots in classroom J- Daniel.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Center will ensure that sheets are marked for individual use or washed daily and that marked sheets are washed at least weekly.

Correction Deadline: 8/2/2018

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 7**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 07/17/2018

Records Reviewed: 7

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 2 Date of Hire: 06/04/2018	Met
Staff # 3 Date of Hire: 07/19/2019	Met
Staff # 4 Date of Hire: 07/30/2018	Met
Staff # 5 Date of Hire: 07/30/2018	Met
Staff # 6 Date of Hire: 06/26/2018	Met
Staff # 7 Date of Hire: 07/30/2018	Met

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.09 - Consultant discussed the following criminal record check rule changes with the director on this date:

- That local background checks (with purpose code "W") will no longer be accepted (no more 21-day provisional employment).
- Everyone must have at least a fingerprint-based background check letter before they can be present at the center to care for children.
- The new definition of Provisional Employee includes those with only a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination. People with this type of clearance are allowed on site, but must be under the direct and continuous supervision of a Director or Employee with a satisfactory Comprehensive Records Check Determination.
- A new comprehensive background check must be run for anyone who has had a lapse of employment in the child care industry that lasts 6 months or longer. (Students-in-Training are considered "employed in the child care industry" if they've been enrolled in a child care related curriculum.)
- Letters will only be accepted at a new facility if they are "ported" electronically.

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training

Met

Comment

Discussed: Health and Safety Training is required for each staff member with direct care responsibilities within 90 calendar days of their hire date.

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

Met

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

Staff observed to provide direct supervision and be attentive to children's needs.