



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/25/2018 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 11:00 AM **Departure:** 12:30 PM

CCLC-39232

Open Doors Child Development Center

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Quality Rated: ★ ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
04/25/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
08/14/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
06/05/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing

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.

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	One Room	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds	2	12	C	12	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Nap, Circle Time, Lunch
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 12						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 12			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 12			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground 1	31	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is a monitoring visit and to follow up on any previous rule citations. The center does not provide transportation and does not currently dispense any medication. There have been no new hires since the last visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/25/2018

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

Shula Durden, Program Official

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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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.12(2) - The consultant observed a blue vinyl couch to have a rip in the middle of the seat. The Director stated that they would tape the rip in the couch to ensure that the couch is washable and that the children cannot access the foam inside.

Correction Deadline: 4/25/2018

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

Met

Comment

Center does not provide swimming activities.

Facility

591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms

Met

Comment

Please secure cleaning tools (i.e., broom, plunger) out of reach of children.

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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

591-1-1-.25(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. The consultant discussed replacing the vinyl tiles in the bathroom that have rips and tears in them to ensure the flooring remains washable and cleanable.

Correction Deadline: 5/25/2018

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

Playground observed to be clean and in good repair.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2017**Corrected on 4/25/2018****.26(9) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. No hazards were observed on the playground.**

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**

The Director stated that no medication is currently dispensed.

Policies and Procedures

591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures**Met****Correction Deadline: 8/19/2017****Corrected on 4/25/2018****.21(3) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Fire and Safety drills were observed to be documented and up to date.**

591-1-1-.27 Posted Notices**Met****Comment**

Please make sure that all required signs are posted and up to date. Please post 2018 license.

Safety

591-1-1-.05 Animals**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.05(2) - The consultant discussed keeping the yellow dog secured in the house next door to the center during hours that children are in attendance at the center. The consultant observed the dog to be friendly and not able to gain access to the playground area but the dog could walk up to the front door of the center. The Director stated that the dog is usually in the house but did not want to go back inside today.

Correction Deadline: 4/25/2018

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

Sleeping & Resting Equipment

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

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

Staff Records

Records Reviewed: 3**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0**

Staff # 1

Met

Date of Hire: 10/05/2005

Staff # 2

Met

Date of Hire: 01/01/2015

Staff # 3

Met

Date of Hire: 08/28/2006

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 3

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

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR**Met****Correction Deadline: 8/31/2017****Corrected on 4/25/2018****.14(1) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The Director and employee have current CPR and First Aid cards on file.****Correction Deadline: 8/31/2017****Corrected on 4/25/2018****.14(2) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Two out of three employees at the center have current CPR and First Aid cards.**

591-1-1-.33 Staff Training**Met****Correction Deadline: 7/19/2017****Corrected on 4/25/2018****.33(5) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The consultant observed completed 10 hours of annual training for the 2017 calendar year for the two employees.**

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.

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.