



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 9/12/2019    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 11:00 AM    **Departure:** 3:00 PM

**CCLC-48378**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
09/12/2019	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
05/31/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing
08/07/2018	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	Room A - 1L (1 - 2 year olds)		0	0	C	11	C	NA	NA	
Main	Room B - 2L - (Infants)	Infants	1	1	C	6	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Main	Room C - 1R (3 - 12 year olds)	Infants and One Year Olds and Two Year Olds and Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	0	7	NC	14	C	NA	NA	Feeding
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 30			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0			Building @35 capacity limited by Zoning				
Total # Children this Date: 8			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 30			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	31	C

**Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 09/12/2019

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/Regulations.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](mailto: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](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us)

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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)** **Met**

**Correction Deadline: 9/19/2019**

**Corrected on 9/12/2019**

**.12(4) - Previous citation corrected on this date the microwave was removed.**

**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)** **Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.25(11) requires that floor coverings be tight, smooth, free of odors and washable or cleanable. It was determined based on observation that there were floor tiles that were missing in Room C.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

Floors will be maintained to be safe and sanitary.

**Correction Deadline: 9/12/2019**

**Recited on 9/12/2019**

**Correction Deadline: 9/12/2019**

**Corrected on 9/12/2019**

**.25(13) - Previous citation corrected on this date no hazardous were found.**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 9/12/2019****Corrected on 9/12/2019****.26(9) - Previous citation corrected on this date based on consultants observation all hazards were removed from the playground.****Food Service**

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**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.15(7) prohibits the serving of peanuts, hotdogs, raw carrots, popcorn, fish with bones, and grapes to children under three years of age. Children older than three (3) years of age may be served these foods provided that the foods are cut in such a way as to minimize choking. Foods and drinks with little or no nutritional value, i.e., sweets, soft drinks, etc. shall be served only on special occasions and only in addition to the required nutritious meals and snacks. Powdered nonfat dry milk shall only be used for cooking purposes. It was determined based on observation that an one-year-old child was served whole meatballs and broccoli that were not cut into small pieces on this date.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will train Staff and monitor food served to children to ensure that the food does not present a choking hazard. The Center will not serve food and drinks with little or no nutritional value except for special occasions and in addition to the required nutritious meals and snacks. The Center will limit the use of powdered nonfat dry milk for cooking only.

**Correction Deadline: 9/12/2019****Recited on 9/12/2019****Health and Hygiene**

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**591-1-1-.10 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)****Met****Comment**Staff were observed to remind children to wash hands.

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**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)****Met****Comment**The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

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**Safety**

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**591-1-1-.05 Animals****Met****Comment**Center does not keep animals on premises.

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

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

**Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

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

**Correction Deadline: 9/12/2019**

**Corrected on 9/12/2019**

**.36(4)(f)1. - Previous citation corrected on this date all seat belts are working.**

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Comment**

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

**Staff Records**

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**Records Reviewed: 3**

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

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 08/20/2013

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 01/12/2018

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 08/13/2014

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**Staff Credentials Reviewed: 1**

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

**Comment**

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

**Correction Deadline: 5/31/2019**

**Corrected on 9/12/2019**

**.09(1)(c) - Previous citation corrected on this date consultant observed completed background check for all staff members.**

**Correction Deadline: 5/31/2019**

**Corrected on 9/12/2019**

**.09(1)(d) - Previous citation corrected on this date consultant observed completed background check for all staff members.**

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

**Comment**

Evidence observed of 100% of center staff certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

**Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training.

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

Met

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

<b>Staffing and Supervision</b>
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591-1-1-.32 Staff:Child Ratios and Group Size(CR)

Met

**Comment**

Center observed to maintain appropriate staff:child ratios.

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

Not Met

**Finding**

591-1-1-.32(7) requires that children be supervised at all times and that the persons supervising in the child care area be alert, able to respond promptly to the needs and actions of the children being supervised, as well as the actions of the chaperones and Students-in-Training, and provide timely attention to the children's actions and needs. It was determined by consultants observation upon entering classroom C there was not a staff member present leaving one nine-month-old, two one-year-olds, two two-year-olds, one three-year-old, one four-year-old unattended.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will train Staff and monitor to ensure they are providing supervision and watchful oversight to the children at all times.

**Correction Deadline: 9/12/2019**