



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 1/31/2023    **VisitType:** Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 10:30 AM    **Departure:** 12:55 PM

**CCLC-52325**

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**Quality Rated:** ★ ★

<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>			<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> - 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.  <b>Good Standing</b> - Program is demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules. <b>Support</b> - Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting rules. <b>Deficient</b> - Program is not demonstrating an acceptable level of performance in meeting the rules.
01/31/2023	Complaint Investigation & Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
09/23/2022	Complaint Closure	Good Standing	
09/01/2022	Complaint Investigation & 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 Infants	Infants	2	7	C	15	C	NA	NA	Diapering, Floor Play
Main	B 1yrs Suite 100		0	0	C	15	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	C 1-2yrs Suite 150	One Year Olds	1	6	C	15	C	NA	NA	Free Play, Centers
Main	D 4-12yrs GYM		0	0	C	58	C	NA	NA	Not In Use
Main	E 5yrs Suite 500	Four Year Olds	1	8	C	23	C	NA	NA	Circle Time, Transitioning, Music
Main	F Suite 400 GA PreK	GA PreK	2	12	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers, Art
Main	G Suite 350 GA PreK	GA PreK	2	14	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	H 3yrs Suite 300	Three Year Olds	2	7	C	22	C	NA	NA	Centers, Free Play
Main	I 3yrs Suite 250	Two Year Olds	1	7	C	23	C	NA	NA	Centers
Main	J 3yrs Suite 200	Two Year Olds	2	8	C	23	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Centers

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 239

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Total # Children this Date: 69

Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 239

Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	A Toddlers	31	C

Main	B Preschool	132	C
Main	C Preschool	66	C
Main	D Toddlers	40	C

**Comments**

The investigation remains open on this date, pending additional information. Upon completion the finding will be reviewed with the provider and a final copy of the report will be sent.

The purpose for today's visit was to conduct a complaint investigation and a monitoring visit, Technical assistance was provided in the area of physical plant maintenance and equipment storage. All questions were answered and a copy of the report was provided during the exit conference.

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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.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,

- 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), do the following:

- 1) Log into DECAL KOALA [www.decalkoala.com](http://www.decalkoala.com) with the userid for your program
- 2) On the home page scroll down to the Inspection Reports and select 'Refute Citation' for the visit report in dispute
- 3) Select the specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, add the reason for disagreement regarding the rule citation, and upload supporting documentation
- 4) Submit the refutation in DECAL KOALA to Child Care Services (CCS) within 10 business days of the completion date.

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 Quality Rated/CAPS Update:**

As January 1, 2022, child care providers must be Quality Rated to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Newly licensed, or new to CAPS providers may be eligible for the new CAPS/QR Provisional Status, allowing for scholarships while working toward a star rating.

**Contact the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@dec.al.ga.gov) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

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Yvette Drake, Program Official

Date

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Twantaye Compton, Consultant

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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**

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591-1-1-.12(3) - This rule requires that equipment and furniture be placed so as to permit the children's freedom of movement and to minimize danger of accident and collision. Stacked chairs were observed in room E 5Yrs Suite 500 while children were present. Please be advised that stacked chairs pose a collision, climbing or freedom of movement danger. Chairs should not be stacked while children are present.

**Correction Deadline: 1/31/2023**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities at this time.

**Facility**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be met by center on this date.

**591-1-1-.25 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**

**Technical Assistance**

**Comment**

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.25(3) - Requires that the facility be in good repair. Please ensure that walls and ceilings do not have chipped paint in any classroom. Additionally, please ensure that all vents are free from dust and rust.

**Correction Deadline: 1/31/2023**

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

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute. Also please ensure that sticks and leaves are removed from playground areas.

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**Health and Hygiene**

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**591-1-1-.07 Children's Health****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.07(5) requires Center Staff to not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items. It was determined based on observation that an infant child in room A was observed to have a pacifier attached to their clothing

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will instruct Staff regarding this safety requirement.

**Correction Deadline: 1/31/2023**

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

Proper diapering procedures observed on this date.

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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**

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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**Policies and Procedures**

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**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures****Defer****Defer**

591-1-1-.21(3)- Deferred until next licensing study to allow time for documentation.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will hold the drills as required and keep the documentation of the drills on file for two years.

**Correction Deadline: 9/6/2022**

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**Safety**

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

Staff were observed to maintain a positive learning environment on this date.

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

Center does not provide routine transportation.

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**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

591-1-1-.30(2)(c) requires that infants shall not sleep in equipment other than safety-approved cribs, such as, but not limited to, a car safety seat, bouncy seat, highchair, or swing. Infants who arrive at the Center asleep or fall asleep in such equipment, on the floor or elsewhere, shall be transferred to a safety-approved crib. It was determined based on observation that a one-year-old child was asleep on the floor and was not transferred immediately to a safety-approved crib or mat as required. Center staff confirmed that the one-year-old was asleep on the floor for approximately thirty (30) minutes before being moved.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will only place infants in safe cribs to sleep and will transfer them to a safe crib when the infants are asleep in other equipment.

**Correction Deadline: 1/31/2023**

<b>Staff Records</b>
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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.

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**591-1-1-.33 Staff Training****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.33(4) requires within the first year of employment, the Director and person with primary responsibility for food preparation shall have four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving, proper dish washing and food storage. It was determined based on observation and a review of records that a center staff was observed preparing and serving food at the center without the required four clock hours of training in food nutrition planning, preparation, serving and food storage as required. Staff #7 was observed preparing and serving food on the day of the review.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Center will schedule food preparation training, as required, and follow up to ensure the training is completed.

**Correction Deadline: 3/2/2023****Correction Deadline: 12/31/2022****Corrected on 1/31/2023**

During a review of records, two of two center staff files observed obtained the required 10 clock hours of annual approved 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**

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

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**591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 9/1/2022**

**Corrected on 1/31/2023**  
**Observed adequate and direct supervision throughout the center on this date.**