



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 8/10/2023    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 8:15 AM    **Departure:** 1:10 PM

**CCLC-53044**

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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.
08/10/2023	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
01/04/2023	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
08/30/2022	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	Three Year Olds	1	4	C	8	C	NA	NA	Free Play
Main	B	Infants and One Year Olds	1	3	C	8	C	NA	NA	Story, Floor Play
Main	C		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Main	D	Two Year Olds	1	5	C	10	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Free Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 28					Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0		Building @35 capacity limited by Zoning			
Total # Children this Date: 12			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 28		Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0					

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Main	Playground A	27	C

**Comments**

A Licensing study was completed on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/10/2023

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), 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.state.ga.us](mailto:qualityrated@dec.state.ga.us) for more information. Free technical assistance is available!**

Dorothea Perry, Program Official

Date

Stacey Foston, Regional 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-.03 Activities**

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

591-1-1-.03(2) - Please ensure dates are added to lesson plans.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

**591-1-1-.12 Equipment & Toys(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

A variety of equipment and toys were observed throughout the center.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Center does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Parent authorizations obtained/completed.

**Facility**

**591-1-1-.06 Bathrooms**

**Met**

**Comment**

Please monitor bathrooms for necessary supplies.

**Comment**

Licensed capacity observed to be routinely met by center.

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**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 that two bottles of Lysol spray were stored on the back of the toilet in boys hallway bathroom. In addition, a paint tray and brush with dried up white paint was observed inside a low shelf under the changing table in the infant room.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The items were removed during the visit. The Center will inform all Staff about hazardous items and the safe storage of those items.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(3) requires the Center and surrounding premises to be kept clean, free of debris and in good repair. Hygienic measures such as, but not limited to, screened windows and proper waste disposal procedures shall be utilized to minimize the presence of rodents, flies, roaches and other vermin at the Center. It was determined based on observation that the linoleum tile on the floor was peeling away from around the toilet in the girl's hallway bathroom. In addition, peeling paint was observed on the lower half of the door in room A.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will have someone make the repairs this weekend. The Center will implement a plan to keep areas clean and in good repair that includes regular monitoring.

**Correction Deadline: 8/21/2023****Finding**

591-1-1-.25(8) requires protective caps on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that a multi socket electrical surge protector was placed on top of a low piece of equipment in room B. There were no protective caps in the unused sockets and it was accessible to the children.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will remove the electrical surge protector. The Center will train Staff to check outlets and replace protective caps when needed and identify and monitor how outlets in use are inaccessible to children.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

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**591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)****Not Met****Correction Deadline: 1/6/2023****Corrected on 8/10/2023**

**.26(6) - the previous citation was observed to be corrected. The center repaired the equipment,**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.26(9) requires the playground to be kept clean, free from litter and free of hazards, such as but not limited to rocks, exposed tree roots and exposed sharp edges of concrete. It was determined on observation that several ant beds were observed on the playground. In addition, a small wasp nest was observed on the corner of the door to the playground.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will have pest control company come and treat the playground this weekend. The center will not let the children access the playground until the yard has been treated and is safe for use. The center will monitor for insects and treat as needed.

**Correction Deadline: 8/21/2023****Recited on 8/10/2023**

<b>Food Service</b>
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**591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.15(3) requires baby bottles and formula to be labeled with the individual child's name; supplied by the Parent daily in bottles; and refrigerated at a temperature of forty (40) degrees Fahrenheit or less. Only the current day's formula or breast milk shall be served. If formula must be provided by the Center, only commercially prepared, ready-to-feed formula shall be used. Refrigerated or frozen breast milk shall only be heated or thawed under warm running water or in a container of warm water. It was determined based on observation that the infant bottles in the refrigerator were not labeled with the child's name as required.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The staff will ensure all bottles are labeled upon the child's arrival. The Center will train Staff to follow the required procedures, ensure that parents are fully informed, and will review and monitor regularly.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

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

591-1-1-.18 - Please ensure that all food items are stored in airtight containers and properly labeled.

**Health and Hygiene**

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

Staff stated proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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**591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.17(6) requires garbage and organic waste to be stored in containers that are lined with plastic liners and have tight-fitting covers. Trash and garbage shall be removed from the building daily or as often as necessary to maintain the premises in a clean condition. It was determined based on observation that there were no lids on the trash cans with soiled diapers in room B and D.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center ordered new trash cans with lids during the visit. The Center will provide the required containers and implement a plan to ensure that trash and garbage are taken out daily, or more often, if needed.

**Correction Deadline: 8/21/2023**

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**591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)****N/A****Comment**

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

**Policies and Procedures**

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**591-1-1-.21 Operational Policies & Procedures****Not Met****Finding**

591-1-1-.21(3) requires that the Center conduct drills for fire, tornado and other emergency situations. The fire drills will be conducted monthly and tornado and other emergency situation drills will be conducted every six months. The Center shall maintain documentation of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined based on a review of records that the center did not have documentation of emergency drills for the year 2023.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center will conduct a fire drill this month and other drills as required. The Center will hold the drills as required and keep the documentation of the drills on file for two years.

**Correction Deadline: 8/31/2023**

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**591-1-1-.29 Required Reporting** **Met**

**Comment**

Discussed reporting requirements.

**Safety**

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

**Comment**

Age-appropriate discussion and redirection observed.

**591-1-1-.13 Field Trips(CR)** **N/A**

**Comment**

Center does not participate in field trips at this time.

**591-1-1-.36 Transportation(CR)** **N/A**

**Comment**

Center does not provide routine transportation.

**Sleeping & Resting Equipment**

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

**Finding**

591-1-1-.30(1)(a)3 requires that each crib shall have only an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant. It was determined based on observation that one of the three crib sheets in classroom B was not tight fitting. In addition, two of the three crib sheets were soiled and needed to be changed.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The center changed the sheets and order additional sheets. The center will ensure that each crib has an individual, tight-fitting sheet which is changed daily or more often as needed and prior to a change of occupant.

**Correction Deadline: 8/10/2023**

**Staff Records**

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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.

**591-1-1-.14 First Aid & CPR** **Not Met**

**Finding**

591-1-1-.14(1) requires the Center Director and, at any given time, at least fifty percent (50%) of the caregiver Staff to successfully complete a biennial training program in cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) and a triennial training program in first aid. The first aid training must be done by certified or licensed health care professionals or trainers and must deal with the provision of emergency care to infants and children. The Center shall maintain current evidence of the successful completion of such training which shall be available to the Department for inspection. It was determined based on a review of records that the director and 50% of the staff did not have current CPR and first aid training.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The staff has enrolled in a CPR and first aid class that will take place at the end of August. The Center Director and at least 50% of the caregiver Staff will complete the needed training. The Director will send written verification to the consultant upon completion and will develop a plan to ensure that at least 50% of the caregiver Staff have completed this training at any given time and that evidence of successful completion of the training is on file available for inspection.

**Correction Deadline: 9/9/2023**

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

**Comment**

Documentation observed of required staff training for the year 2022.

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**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.

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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<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)** **Met**

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.