



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/19/2023 **VisitType:** TA Follow Up **Arrival:** 9:15 AM **Departure:** 10:30 AM

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Same

Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
07/19/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing
06/23/2023	TA Follow Up	Good Standing
05/17/2023	TA Follow Up	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	Max 35 SF.	Max 25 SF.
Main	Room 215 Infants/Ones	Infants	15	NA
Main	Room 217 Infants/Ones	One Year Olds	14	NA
Main	Room 219 - Twos	Two Year Olds	14	NA
Main	Room 220 - Threes	Three Year Olds	21	NA
Main	Room 221 - Fours	Four Year Olds	14	NA
Main	Room 222 - Fours	Four Year Olds	23	NA
		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 101	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0	
Total # Children this Date: 0		Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 101	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0	

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy
Main	Playground A	60
Main	Younger Playground	34

Comments

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a health and safety coaching visit on the rules and regulations with management on this date. All staff have completed the Core rules training through Olli and the center looks great. One goal was developed and discussed during the visit. No children or staff were observed during the visit. The teachers return on August 1st and the TA consultant will conduct a coaching visit/training on how to implement the core rules and non-core rules on August 3, 2023, at 9:30am.

Strength Based TA

Plan of Improvement:

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.decgal.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 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 1 855-800-7747 or qualityrated@decgal.ga.gov for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Angela Naples, Program Official

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Lisa Johnson, Technical Assistance Unit Consultant

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Staff Records

Rule: 591-1-1-.33(5) - (5) Annual Training. Every calendar year after the first year of employment, all supervisory and caregiver Personnel, except independent contractors, Students-in-Training and volunteers, shall attend ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is task-focused in on-going health, safety, and early childhood or child development related topics and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department-approved source. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training shall be maintained, as required by these rules.

S.M.A.R.T Goal: All staff will ensure that all rules and regulations will be implemented daily to ensure that all children are healthy and safe as required.

Step Number	Action Step	Person Responsible	Due Date	Status	Completion Date	Action Taken
1	-All staff will ensure that all rules and regulations are implemented daily for the health and safety of the children in care as required. -Management will schedule a hands on rules and regulations training with the TA H&S consultant as a coaching visit upon the teachers return on August 1st to ensure that all staff have knowledge of the rules and can implement them as required daily.	All staff	08/03/2023	Developed		The TA consultant will conduct a coaching rules and regulations training in the classroom with all staff on August 3, 2023 at 9:30am during teacher planning time before the children start school.

Materials Needed:

Resources Provided: