



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/3/2023 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:45 AM **Departure:** 2:45 PM

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Quality Rated: ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
08/03/2023	Licensing Study	Support
02/28/2023	Complaint Closure	Good Standing
02/23/2023	Complaint Investigation 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	Staff	Children	NC/C	Max 35 SF.	35 SF. Comp.	Max 25 SF.	25 SF. Comp.	Notes	
I	Room A	Infants	2	9	C	10	C	NA	NA	Floor Play, Nap	
I	Room B	One Year Olds	2	9	C	12	C	NA	NA	Snack	
I	Room C	One Year Olds and Two Year Olds	2	9	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers, Diapering	
I	Room D	Three Year Olds and Four Year Olds	1	10	C	12	C	NA	NA	Transitioning, Outside	
I	Room E	Three Year Olds	1	8	C	12	C	NA	NA	Outside, Story	
I	Room F	Two Year Olds	2	9	C	14	C	NA	NA	Centers	
I	Room G		0	0	C	10	C	NA	NA		
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:					84	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:					0
Total # Children this Date: 54			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.:			84	Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.:				0

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
I	Playground	33	C

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is a Licensing Study. The center does not provide routine transportation, field trips, swimming activities, or administer medications.

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 08/17/2023

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 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 for more information. Free technical assistance is available!

Natasha Duncan, Program Official

Date

Jerica Davis, 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

Please ensure that Center keeps current lesson plans on site that reflect appropriate instruction practices and activities to support children's development The Center shall have sufficient and varied play and learning equipment and materials to support the above program of activities in all developmental areas. Please ensure current lesson plans are posted in each classroom.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2023

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

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

Evening Care

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

Met

Comment

No evening care hours provided

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

Comment

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

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 the infant bottle warmer with hot water present was stored on a low tray table stored accessible to children and was not stored inaccessible to children as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2023

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that protective caps are on all unused electrical outlets within children's reach and requires that electrical outlets in use be made inaccessible to children. Please ensure that all outlets accessible to children are covered.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2023

591-1-1-.26 Playgrounds(CR)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Discussed maintenance of resilient surface. Please fluff and redistribute under the swings.

Food Service

591-1-1-.15 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

Comment

Center menu meets USDA guidelines.

591-1-1-.18 Kitchen Operations

Met

Comment

Kitchen appears clean and well organized.

Health and Hygiene

591-1-1-.07 Children's Health

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that Center Staff do not permit children to wear around their necks or attach to their clothing pacifiers or other hazardous items. Please ensure that children do not wear necklaces while at the center.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2023

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

Met

Comment

Proper diapering procedures observed.

591-1-1-.17 Hygiene(CR)

Not Met

Finding

591-1-1-17(7) requires that children wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water upon arrival for care, when moving from one child care group to another, upon re-entering the child care area after outside play, before and after eating meals and snacks, handling or touching food, playing in water; after toileting and diapering, playing in sand, touching animals or pets, and contact with bodily fluids and after contamination by any other means. It was determined based on observation that in classroom C, a staff member changed a one-year-old child's diaper and did not wash their hands after with liquid soap and warm running water as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2023

591-1-1-.20 Medications(CR)

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Policies and Procedures

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 a lock down drill was not conducted during the months of January through July, a time period of seven months, when a lock down drill is required to be conducted at least once every six months.

Correction Deadline: 8/31/2023

Correction Deadline: 3/1/2023

Corrected on 8/3/2023

.21(4) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Center staff stated that all families received a copy of the center's policies and procedures.

Safety

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

The correct number of mats, sheets and blankets were observed on this date. Cleaning and disinfecting of mats was discussed with the director on this date.

Staff Records

Staff # 3 Not Met
 Date of Hire: 09/08/2022
"Missing/Incomplete Components"
 .14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

Staff # 8 Not Met
 Date of Hire: 01/18/2016
"Missing/Incomplete Components"
 .33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 9 Not Met
 Date of Hire: 07/01/2020
"Missing/Incomplete Components"
 .33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 10 Not Met
 Date of Hire: 03/02/2018
"Missing/Incomplete Components"
 .33(5)-10 Hrs. Annual Training

Staff # 12 Not Met
 Date of Hire: 02/24/2023
"Missing/Incomplete Components"
 .14(2)-First Aid Missing,.14(2)-CPR missing

Staff # 18 Not Met
 Date of Hire: 02/24/2023
"Missing/Incomplete Components"
 .14(2)-CPR missing,.14(2)-First Aid Missing

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

Comment

Director provided five files for employees hired since the last visit.

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

Finding

591-1-1-.14(2) requires a Staff member who is trained in CPR and first aid to be on the premises and on any field trip whenever any child is present. In addition, Staff who provide direct care to children must satisfactorily obtain certification in first aid and CPR by December 29, 2016 if employed prior to September 30, 2016 and within 90 days of their hire date if employed after September 30, 2016. It was determined based on a review of records that staff member # 3, staff member # 12, and staff member # 18 did not have evidence of completed CPR and First Aid training within the first 90 days of employment as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/3/2023

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Please ensure that staff be attentive and participating with all children during mealtimes and shall be seated within an arm's length away from children thirty-six (36) months of age and younger. Please ensure that staff are seated with the children during meals.

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