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Cover Sheet

Date: 5/20/2021 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit

Arrival: 9:00 AM

Departure: 10:00 AM

CCLC-48439

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Quality Rated: ★ ★

Compliance Zone Designation		
05/20/2021	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
12/18/2020	Licensing Study	Good Standing
10/31/2019	Licensing Study	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
Building I	A - 3's		0	0	C	8	C	NA	NA	
Building I	B - 2's potty trained only	Three Year Olds	2	9	C	8	NC	NA	NA	Centers
Building I	C - 1's and 2's	One Year Olds	1	2	C	8	C	NA	NA	Circle Time
Building I	D - 6 wks - 18 months	Infants	1	4	C	8	C	NA	NA	Floor Play
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 32						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Building II	E - 4's and up		0	0	C	32	C	NA	NA	
Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 32						Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				
Total # Children this Date: 15			Total Capacity @35 sq. ft.: 64			Total Capacity @25 sq. ft.: 0				

Building	Playground	Playground Occupancy	Playground Compliance
Building I	A - Infant/Toddler	17	C
Building II	B - 3 and up	57	C

Comments

Background checks were all reviewed on May 19, 2021. A virtual inspection was conducted on May 20, 2021 with the (Director/Provider). An in-person visit was not conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 1, 2021 was reviewed during the virtual inspection. Additionally, Consultant discussed Rule changes that took effect on October 1, 2020 and emailed the Provider handouts with Frequently Asked Questions and related resources. Consultant e-mailed the provider a copy of the COVID-19 Guidance for Georgia Childcare Facilities, Interim Guidance as of May 1, 2021.

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



Important New Deadlines:

Due to the ongoing COVID restrictions, the deadline to become Quality Rated for programs who want to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS), has been extended to at least December 31, 2021.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.dec.al.ga.gov/>
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.al.ga.gov

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.al.ga.gov.

- 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.al.ga.gov/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.



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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**

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.

Facility

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

Technical Assistance

The consultant discussed with the provider that Room B is licensed for a maximum of 8 children. The provider stated that they are aware of the license capacity limits. One child was a drop in care and was immediately picked up by the parents.

Correction Deadline: 5/20/2021

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

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date.

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

Comment

Consultant discussed that while Playground B is being renovated that children three and up may use Playground A as long as they do not exceed 17 children at a time. Additionally, Consultant discussed that children ages three and up cannot use the playground at the same time as children younger than three years of age.

Comment

Consultant discussed with the Provider fall zone requirements for swings and climbing equipment and provided a handout with the Department's policies.

Comment

Please ensure to monitor the playground areas for the following hazards: - Normal wear and tear of playground equipment and toys. Potential entrapment hazards in the fence surrounding the playground area. Biting and/or stinging insects (i.e. ants, bees, etc.). Loose and/or weak tree branches surrounding the playground area. Standing water in and around playground equipment after inclement weather.

Comment

The provider will notify the DECAL when the renovations on Playground B are completed so Consultant can determine compliance before children are allowed to be present.

Health and Hygiene

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

Met

Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

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

Met

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were also discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date.

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

Met

Comment

The Provider currently does not dispense/administer medication.

Safety

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

Met

Comment

A Virtual Visit was conducted due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Discipline was not directly observed during the virtual walk through. Regulations regarding proper discipline were discussed with the Director/Provider on this date.

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/23/2020

Corrected on 5/20/2021

.36(4)(a) - The previous citation was corrected on this date as the consultant observed the vehicle annual safety check was completed and repairs were made per the mechanics recommendations.

Correction Deadline: 12/19/2020

Corrected on 5/20/2021

.36(7)(d)1. This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed first check signatures on transportation records for the weeks of May 3-7, 2021 and May 10-14, 2021.

Correction Deadline: 12/18/2020

Corrected on 5/20/2021

.36(7)(d)2. - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Consultant observed second check signatures on transportation records for the weeks of May 3-7, 2021 and May 10-14, 2021.

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

Records Reviewed: 9

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 0

Staff # 1 Met

Date of Hire: 01/17/2017

Staff # 2 Met

Date of Hire: 01/17/2017

Staff # 3 Met

Date of Hire: 01/23/2019

Staff # 4 Met

Date of Hire: 03/19/2021

Reminder - Health & Safety training is required within 90 calendar days of hired

Staff # 5 Met

Date of Hire: 07/30/2019

Staff # 6 Met

Staff # 7 Met

Date of Hire: 02/25/2019

Staff # 8 Met

Date of Hire: 10/07/2019

Staff # 9 Met

Date of Hire: 09/03/2019

Staff Credentials Reviewed: 7

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

Comment

Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

Comment

Additional cleaning and sanitizing requirements due to the COVID-19 pandemic were discussed and observed during a virtual walk through on this date. The program was in compliance with the Executive Order issued on May 1, 2021.

Correction Deadline: 12/18/2020

Corrected on 5/20/2021

.31(2)(b)2. - Staff member #4 has enrolled in a CDA program and has until November 10, 2022 to complete. Staff Member #7 received a variance for credentials.

Staffing and Supervision

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.

591-1-1-.32 Supervision(CR)**Met****Comment**

Discussed new revision to the supervision rule which states: Staff shall 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.