



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 1/4/2017      **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit      **Arrival:** 12:55 PM      **Departure:** 1:55 PM

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<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
01/04/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
08/18/2016	Initial 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**

Age Ranges	Children Present	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	3	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	0	0	0	1
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 13 Years</b>	4	3	0	0	1
<b>Total Under 18 Years</b>	4				

Children Present: 4

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Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1

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**Comments**

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/04/2017

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).

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Refutation Process:

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- 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://decal.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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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)

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Sonia Williams, Program Official

Date

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Stacey Foston, Consultant

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### Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

### Activities and Equipment

**290-2-3-.19 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Not caring for infants

**290-2-3-.07 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Children's Records

**290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)**

**Technical Assistance**

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290-2-3-.08(1)(d) - discussed enrollment forms. Please ensure that all information is complete on forms.

### Facility

**290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**

**Not Met**

**Finding**

290-2-3-.11(2)(h) requires at least one UL Approved smoke detector to be on each floor of the Home and such detectors to be maintained in working order. At least one 2-A:10-B:C fire extinguisher shall be kept in the child care area to be located no more than thirty feet from the kitchen. The extinguisher shall be maintained in working order and shall be inaccessible to the children. It was determined based on observations that the fire extinguisher was not the correct size.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The home provider will purchase the correct size fire extinguisher.

**Correction Deadline: 1/27/2017**

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**290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)****Met****Comment**

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

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**290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)****Not Met****Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - The gate to the children play area was observed to be broken. The provider states that the gate was damaged in the hurricane and she is in the process of having the gate replaced. The provider will ensure that gate is repaired and in maintained in good condition.

**Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) requires that outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment, broken glass, open drainage ditches, holes and stagnant water. It was determined based on observations that several large pieces of plastic tarp was exposed and posed a tripping hazard.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

To ensure the health and safety of children, the Home Provider will cover the tarp.

**Correction Deadline: 1/14/2017**

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<b>Licensure</b>
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**290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)****Met****Comment**

290-2-3-.04(1)(d) -Application requirements met on this date. There were three children for pay present.

**Correction Deadline: 1/4/2017**

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<b>Safety and Discipline</b>
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**290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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**290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)****N/A****Comment**

No transportation.

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<b>Staff Records</b>
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**290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR)****Met****Comment**

Criminal Records Check complete

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**290-2-3-.07 Independent Contractors(CR)****N/A****Comment**

No Independent contractors

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**290-2-3-.07 Other Staff Direct Contact with Children(CR)****N/A****Comment**

No additional staff

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**290-2-3-.07 Students-in-Training(CR)**

**N/A**

**Comment**

No Students-in-training

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**290-2-3-.07 Volunteers(CR)**

**N/A**

**Comment**

No Volunteers

<b>Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision</b>
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**290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision