

## Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Quality Rated: 👚





Compliance Zone Designation					
01/11/2019	Licensing Study	Good Standing			
09/25/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
01/04/2018	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			

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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

Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

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)	1	2	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	0	4	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	0	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	1	6	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	1				

Support

Deficient

Total Children: 6 Children Present: 1

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 5

## Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/11/2019

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, <a href="http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx">http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx</a>, 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), e-mail the following information to CCSRefutations@decal.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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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 New Deadlines:**

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a> Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:qualityrated@decal.ga.gov">qualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

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## **Findings Report**

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# The following information is associated with a Licensing Study:

# **Activities and Equipment**

## 290-2-3-.12 Equipment and Supplies(CR)

#### Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

## Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

Met

Met

#### Comment

Discussed SIDS and infant sleeping position.

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

N/A

#### Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

#### Comment

There is no pool on the property

# **Children's Records**

## **Records Reviewed: 6**

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 5

Child # 1 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Proof of No Liability Insurance Form

Child # 3 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Proof of No Liability Insurance Form

Child # 4 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Proof of No Liability Insurance Form, Immunization Form - (.08)(2)

Child # 5 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Proof of No Liability Insurance Form

Child # 6 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Proof of No Liability Insurance Form

#### 290-2-3-.08 Children's Records

**Not Met** 

## **Finding**

290-2-3-.08(11) requires that if the Home is not covered by liability insurance sufficient to protect its clients, the Home must notify the Parent of each Child under the care of the program in writing. Each Parent must acknowledge receipt of such notice, and a copy of the acknowledgement shall be kept in the Child's file. It was determined based on observation that six of six children enrolled were observed to be without a signed acknowledgement from parents informing that the home is does not cover liability insurance.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain and maintain documentation.

Correction Deadline: 1/11/2019

### Finding

290-2-3-.08(2) requires the Home to maintain a file for each Child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations; enrollment in the Home may not continue for more than 30 days without such evidence. It was determined based on observation that one of six children enrolled was observed to be without an updated immunization record.

#### **POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home Provider will ensure that an immunization record/signed affidavit is on file for each enrolled Child.

Correction Deadline: 1/11/2019

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 observation that there was not a working smoke detector in the home.

## POI (Plan of Improvement)

The home provider will ensure that a working smoke detector is on each floor and a working fire extinguisher is available in the child care area as required, and is maintained inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 1/14/2019

#### Recited on 1/11/2019

## 290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

290-2-3-.13(1) requires that the Home be clean and free from hazards. It was determined based on observation that the following hazards were observed to be accessible to children:

\* hand sanitizer sitting on a window seal in the child care area

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness and safety of the environment, the Home Provider will make hazardous items inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 1/11/2019

## 290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

Correction Deadline: 10/5/2018

#### **Corrected on 1/11/2019**

The consultant observed the outdoor play area to be free of ants on this date.

#### Comment

The outside area appears clean and well maintained.

**Food Service** 

## 290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition

Met

#### Comment

Menu observed to meet USDA guidelines as the consultant observed carrots, chicken nuggets, mixed fruit, wheat roll and milk being served for lunch.

Correction Deadline: 1/11/2019

#### Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:

**DECAL** 

http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx

**USDA** 

http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks

# **Health and Hygiene**

### 290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Proper hand washing observed throughout the Home.

## 290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)

Met

## Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

<sup>\*</sup>air freshener sitting on the sink in the child care bathroom

<sup>\*</sup>baby powder sitting on the diaper table in the child care bathroom

## 290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)

N/A

#### Comment

The provider stated medication not dispensed.

Licensure

### 290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date.

# **Safety and Discipline**

290-2-3-.11 Animals N/A

#### Comment

The Family Child Care Learning Home does not keep animals on premises.

290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)

#### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)

#### Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

# **Staff Records**

## 290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR)

Met

## Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

#### Comment

Provider provided one file for employees hired since last visit on September 25, 2018...

## 290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR

Met

#### Comment

Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR. Consultant will inquire about CPR/First Aid certification provided to ensure certification meets all requirements.

## 290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

# Staff: Child Ratios and Supervision

# 290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)

Met

### Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

# 290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)

Met

# Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.