



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 1/17/2017    **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit    **Arrival:** 11:00 AM    **Departure:** 1:00 PM

**FR-000013697**

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| <b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> |                  |               |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| 01/17/2017                         | Monitoring Visit | Good Standing |
| 04/05/2016                         | Licensing Study  | Good Standing |
| 12/22/2015                         | Monitoring Visit | 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                 | 1                | 1             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |
| 3 & 4 Years                 | 5                | 5             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |
| School Age(5+) Years        | 0                | 0             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |
| <b>Total Under 13 Years</b> | 6                | 6             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |
| <b>Total Under 18 Years</b> | 6                |               |      |             |                   |

Children Present: 6

Total Children: 6

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1


Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2

**Comments**

The Technical Assistant Consultant was unable to print the Monitoring Visit on site. KOALA Support notified. The provider stated that medication is not dispensed and no transportation is provided. Please disregard total number of children present. Error reported to KOALA Support. Issues have been corrected to reflect the correct total number of children present.

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).

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|  | <p><b>Reminder:</b> All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before <b>January 1, 2017</b>. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <a href="http://www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.</p> |
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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.

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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](mailto: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: <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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Karyn Raulerson, Program Official

Date

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Linda A. Barge, 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**

No enrolled children in cribs. Rule discussed with provider.

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

**Comment**

Observed-Pool Not in Use-Gates Locked

#### Children's Records

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

**Comment**

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed for 6 of 6 records reviewed on this date.

#### Facility

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

**Comment**

290-2-3-.11(2)(f) - Observed no unsafe storage of hazardous items on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

**Comment**

290-2-3-.11(2)(g) - No fire arms observed accessible to children on this date

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

**Comment**

290-2-3-.11(2)(h) - Observed a working fire extinguisher and smoke detector in the home on this date.

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

**Comment**

290-2-3-.11(2)(i) - No flammable liquids observed inside or outside the home on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

**Comment**

290-2-3-.11(2)(i) - Observed no flammable liquids stored in the home.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

**Comment**

290-2-3-.13(1)(d) - No fire combustible materials observed on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

**Comment**

290-2-3-.13(1)(e) - The heating equipment was not accessible to the children on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

**Comment**

290-2-3-.13(1)(f) - No unvented heaters were observed in the home on this date.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - Play area observed clean on this date.

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

**Comment**

290-2-3-.13(2)(b) - No equipment needed anchoring on this date.

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

**Comment**

290-2-3-.13(2)(c) - Adequate fencing observed on this date. Pool was not accessible to children. Pool observed enclosed with fence/gated lock.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

**Licensure**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

290-2-3-.04(1)(d) - Observed home operating with six children for pay.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

**Safety and Discipline**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Positive Learning Environment. The provider stated that redirection is used with the children.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No transportation.

**Staff Records**

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**290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

290-2-3-.21(1)(e) - Observed finger print date for staff hired prior to 2014.

**Correction Deadline: 1/17/2017**

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**290-2-3-.07 Independent Contractors(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

No Independent contractors

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No additional staff

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No Students-in-training

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

**Met**

**Comment**

No Volunteers

**Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision**

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Observed-Direct Supervision/Attention To Needs