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Date: 1/19/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 8:25 AM

Departure: 10:05 AM

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Compliance Zone Designation		
01/19/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
08/22/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
07/18/2016	Complaint Closure	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)	2	2	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	1	1	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	4	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	1	0	0	2
Total Under 13 Years	4	8	0	0	1
Total Under 18 Years	4				

Children Present: 4

Total Children: 10


Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1

Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/19/2017

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).

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

- 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.

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)

Christina Skipper, Program Official

Date

Brandi Mangino, Consultant

Date



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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)

Met

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2016

Corrected on 1/19/2017

.12(4)(a)-(f) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date.

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

Please monitor the kids mats for exposed foam. The provider stated that she has cots in storage that she will get out and start to use.

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

Met

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

Records Reviewed: 10

Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3

Child # 2 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(1)(c)

Child # 3 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(1)(c)

Child # 8 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Physician & Emergency Contact Information - (.08)(1)(b)

290-2-3-.08 Children's Records**Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Please ensure that all immunization records are up-to-date as two were observed to be expired on this date. In addition, please ensure that the pediatrician information is on the enrollment form as one enrolled child did not have this listed.

Correction Deadline: 1/19/2017**290-2-3-.08 Parental Authorization(CR)****Met****Comment**

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

Facility**290-2-3-.08 Physical Plant - Safe Environment****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.08(8) requires the Home to conduct drills for fire monthly and for tornado and other emergency situations every six months. The Home shall maintain documentation in the Home of the dates and times of these drills for two years. It was determined based on a review of records on this date that the provider did not conduct fire drills for November and December 2016.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The provider will develop and implement a plan and schedule for conducting the required drills, completing the documentation, keeping the documentation on file for two years.

Correction Deadline: 2/18/2017**290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)****Met****Comment**

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)**Met****Correction Deadline: 7/18/2016****Corrected on 1/19/2017****.13(1) - Citation observed to be corrected on this date.****290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)****Technical Assistance****Technical Assistance**

Consultant discussed with the provider about a crack with sharp edges on the bottom of the door on the little tikes house. In addition, the tree roots were sprayed, but they need to be covered.

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

Application requirements met on this date. Four children for pay present.

Correction Deadline: 1/24/2017**Safety and Discipline**

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

Comment

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit **Met**

Comment

Please monitor expiration dates on items in the first aid kit.

Correction Deadline: 1/29/2017

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

Comment

No transportation.

Staff Records

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR) **Not Met**

Finding

290-2-3-.21(1)(a) requires the Home to ensure that the Provider, every actual and potential Employee and Provisional Employee has a Satisfactory Records Check Determination before the individual is present at the Home while any child is present at the Home. It was determined based on a review of records on this date that a new helper started on January 17, 2017 and has no criminal record check. The provider has sent the helper for fingerprints through cogent, but the application has not been submitted, and no clearance letter from the department has been received.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain the required satisfactory records check determination(s). The Home will ensure that the Provider, every actual and potential Employee and Provisional Employee has a Satisfactory Records Check Determination. The Provider, Employees, and Provisional Employees MUST have a Satisfactory Records Check Determination to reside in and be at the Home when a child is present for care.

Correction Deadline: 1/19/2017

Finding

290-2-3-.21(1)(e) requires every Employee hired before January 1, 2014 must have either a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check Determination or a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination on file. If the Employee has only a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check, the Employee must obtain a Fingerprint Records Check Determination before January 1, 2017. It was determined based on a review of records on this date that the provider and spouse had initial record check from when the center opened in 2010. At this time, neither have checks through the cogent system.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that every employee has a Satisfactory Determination as required by the Rules.

Correction Deadline: 1/19/2017

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

Comment

No Independent contractors

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

Comment

Other direct contact staff- Satisfactory records check

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

Comment

No Students-in-training

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

Met

Comment

No Volunteers

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision