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**Date:** 1/24/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 1:45 PM

**Departure:** 2:45 PM

**FR-0001380010**

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<b>Compliance Zone Designation</b>		
01/24/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
07/26/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
03/31/2016	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	0	0	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	2	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	1	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 13 Years</b>	0	3	0	0	0
<b>Total Under 18 Years</b>	0				

Children Present: 0

Total Children: 3

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1


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**Comments**

The provider stated that no new staff has been hired and no residents reside at the home on this date. The provider has completed health and safety orientation training on this date. On this date no children were present during the time of the inspection.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/24/2017

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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- 1) Facility name, license number and visit date
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- 3) Specific rule number(s) that you are refuting, along with your concerns or questions regarding the rule citation

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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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Alvinnia Thomas, Program Official

Date

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Kesha McNeal, Consultant

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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: 3/31/2016

Corrected on 1/24/2017

It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the provider had secured a variety of appropriate equipment on this date.

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

**Comment**

No children present

**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 Children's Records** **Met**

Correction Deadline: 3/24/2016

Corrected on 1/24/2017

It was determined based on the consultant's review of records that the provider has obtained the missing information.

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

**Comment**

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

<b>Facility</b>
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**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 the consultant's observation that the provider did not document or conduct fire drills for the month(s) of November- 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: 2/23/2017**

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

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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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)****Met****Correction Deadline: 8/5/2016****Corrected on 1/24/2017**

It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the provider had removed the broken shopping cart on this date.

<b>Licensure</b>
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**290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)****Met****Correction Deadline: 3/31/2016****Corrected on 1/24/2017**

It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the provider met registration requirements on this date.

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

No Animals Kept

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

No children present

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**290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit****Met****Correction Deadline: 3/31/2016****Corrected on 1/24/2017**

It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the provider has added the missing item on this date.

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

No transportation.

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

Criminal Records Check complete

**Comment**

No new hires

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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**

Other direct contact staff- Satisfactory records check

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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

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

No children present

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

No children present