



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 1/25/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study **Arrival:** 1:05 PM **Departure:** 2:20 PM

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Compliance Zone Designation			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.
01/25/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing	
08/04/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	
01/11/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing	

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	4	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	3	2	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	7	5	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	7				

Children Present: 7

Total Children: 8

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2


Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

Comments

The purpose of this visit was to complete the licensing study and follow up from the previous visit conducted.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/25/2017

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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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: <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)

Theresa Nix, Program Official

Date

Candace Gilbert, Consultant

Date

Leslie Pettis, 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-.19 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR) **Met**

Comment

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

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) **Met**

Comment

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

Facility

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

Comment

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

Comment

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

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

Comment

Outside Area Clean, Well Maintained

Health and Hygiene

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.11(1)(g) requires diapers to be changed in the Child's own crib or on a non porous surface which is cleaned with a disinfectant and dried with a single use disposable towel after each diaper change. It was determined that the diapering surface was a porous surface. Consultant observed the pattern made by holes in the fabric of the diapering surface.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the control of disease transmission, the Home Provider will change diapers in the child's crib or a non porous surface. The diapering surface will be cleaned and disinfected between use with a single use disposable towel.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2017

Licensure

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

Met

Comment

290-2-3-.04(2)(g) - Provider has 7 children total, 4 for pay, and 3 for non-pay.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2017

Safety and Discipline

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

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)(d) requires each Employee hired on or after January 1, 2014 to have a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination with a Records Check Clearance date that is within the preceding 12 months of the hire date. It was determined by review of records that Provider and resident of the home did not submit their Bright From the Start application to obtain a satisfactory determination letter. Provider did submit for fingerprints. Consultant left one day letter.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will ensure that each employee hired on or after January 1, 2014 has a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination with a Records Check Clearance date that is within the preceding 12 months of the hire date.

Correction Deadline: 1/25/2017

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

No additional staff

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

Appropriate Ratios Observed