



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 1/26/2016    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 2:15 PM    **Departure:** 4:10 PM

**FR-34857**

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**Compliance**

Projected FY 2016 Compliance: Compliant  
 End of FY 2015 Compliance: Compliant  
 End of FY 2014 Compliance: Not Compliant

**Legend**

FY 2016 - July 1st, 2015 - June 30th, 2016  
 FY 2015 - July 1st, 2014 - June 30th, 2015  
 FY 2014 - July 1st, 2013 - June 30th, 2014

**Ratios/License Capacity**

Age Ranges	Children Present	Child For Pay	CAPS	Not for Pay	Provider Children
Infant (0-11 mos)	1	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	3	4	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	1	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	2	3	0	1	1
<b>Total Under 13 Years</b>	6	9	0	1	0
<b>Total Under 18 Years</b>	7				

Children Present: 7

Total Children: 11

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2

Total Caregivers/Helpers: 0

**Comments**

1/26/2015: A handwritten updated copy of the cover page and compliance determination worksheet was left with the provider on this date due to technical difficulties.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 01/26/2016



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I have read and understand the Rules and Regulations for Group Day Care Homes, 290-1-1. I acknowledge that the items noted in this report have been discussed with me and I have agreed to a Plan of Improvement (POI) as indicated in this report. I understand that correction of these deficiencies, while required, will not necessarily prevent DECAL from taking adverse action against this facility.

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Charlotte Beard-Battle, Program Official

Date

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Marybeth McGee, 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-.19 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR)**

**Met**

**Comment**

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

**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**

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

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

**Met**

**Comment**

The home appears clean and free from structural hazards.

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

**Technical Assistance**

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Discussed arrange the sand box in a way that does not collect water when not in use.

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**Licensure**

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

License requirements were observed to be met on this date. The provider was observed to be caring for five unrelated children for pay and one child kept for pay on this date.

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**Safety and Discipline**

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

No inappropriate discipline observed on this date.

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

No transportation.

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**Staff Records**

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

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete for all helpers and individuals residing in the home on this date.

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

The facility does not currently have any independent contractors employed.

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

No additional staff

**290-2-3-.07 Staff Training****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.07(4) requires the Family Day Care Home to ensure the Provider, on an annual basis, attends ten clock hours of diverse training which is related to care of children and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department approved source. Records of completion of such training programs shall be maintained in the Family Day Care Home, as required by these rules. It was determined that the provider did not have 10 annual hours of training for 2015

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Family Day Care Home will ensure the Provider completes ten hours of annual training each year.

**Correction Deadline: 3/10/2015**

**Recited on 1/26/2016**

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

No Students-in-training

**Comment**

No Volunteers

**Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision**

**Technical Assistance**

Discussed plans for supervision when the provider must leave the lower level child care room to go other areas of the home.