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Compliance Zone Designation		
02/21/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
10/27/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
01/27/2016	Licensing Study	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 the 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)	3	4	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	2	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	0	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	5	7	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	5				

Children Present: 5

Total Children: 7


Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2

Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 02/21/2017

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)

Joya Cooper, Program Official

Date

Patty Malone, 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)

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.12(1) - The consultant discussed the use of the rocking horse in the day care area.

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)

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

290-2-3-.11 Children's Records

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.11(1)(b) requires the Home to maintain a file for each Child that includes evidence of age-appropriate immunizations or a signed affidavit against such immunizations; enrollment in the home may not continue for more than 30 days without such evidence. The Home did not have such evidence for 1 of 5 children.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that an immunization record/signed affidavit is on file for each enrolled child.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2017

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) **Technical Assistance**

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) - The consultant discussed the maintenance of the outside play area and the play equipment after inclement weather.

Correction Deadline: 11/10/2016

Corrected on 2/21/2017

.13(2)(c) - This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The provider had a four foot barrier around the deck fencing preventing the children in care from having access to the area.

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Comment

The provider stated that she is not currently administering medications.

Licensure

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

Comment

290-2-3-.04(1)(a) - The provider met licensing requirements on this date as she was caring for five children on this date.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2017

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Animals **Not Met**

Finding

290-2-3-.11(1)(n) requires pets in the Home be properly vaccinated in accordance with the requirements of the local county Boards of Health. Unconfined pets shall not be permitted in child care areas when any Child is present except for supervised learning experiences. It was determined based on observation that the provider had two dogs that were not confined away from the child care area used for nap time.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will ensure that all animals are properly vaccinated and that unconfined animals are not allowed in child care areas.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2017

Comment

Appropriate Vaccination documentation was observed for both dogs.

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

Met

Comment

Pleasant Interactions Observed

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

N/A

Comment

No transportation.

Staff Records

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

Met

Comment

The consultant reviewed three staff files. Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR

Met

Comment

290-2-3-.07(5) - The consultant observed documentation of the provider's current CPR and First Aid certification.

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2017

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

N/A

Comment

No Independent contractors

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

N/A

Comment

No additional staff

290-2-3-.07 Staff Training

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The consultant discussed the Health and Safety Orientation requirements.

290-2-3-.08 Staff Training

Met

Comment

290-2-3-.08(6) - The consultant observed documentation of the annual training for 2016.

Correction Deadline: 2/21/2017

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

N/A

Comment

No Students-in-training

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

N/A

Comment

No Volunteers

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.07(8) - The consultant discussed proper supervision.