



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning**  
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**Date:** 3/6/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

**Arrival:** 12:25 PM

**Departure:** 2:00 PM

**FR-9105100768**

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**Compliance Zone Designation**

03/06/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
10/27/2016	POI Follow Up	Good Standing
09/28/2016	Monitoring Visit	Support

**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	6	5	0	1	0
3 & 4 Years	0	0	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	6	5	0	1	0
Total Under 18 Years	6				

Children Present: 6

Total Children: 6

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2

Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

**Comments**

The provider stated that no new residents or no new staff reside at the home on this date. The provider has completed health and safety orientation training on this date. The consultant and provider also discussed that all employees with BOE clearance letters must undergo the comprehensive background check and have that clearance by October 1, 2017.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/06/2017

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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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Wilda Kirkland, 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-.19 Infant-Sleeping Safety Requirements(CR)**

**Not Met**

**Comment**

Not caring for infants

**Finding**

290-2-3-.19(1)(b) requires that cots and mats shall be provided for each child who is two (2) years of age or older and who is required to take a nap and for each child under the age of two years who can climb out of a crib or other equipment approved for infant sleep. It was determined based on the consultant's observation that children who were two (2) years of age or older were observed sleeping on blankets on this date.

**POI (Plan of Improvement)**

The Home Provider will ensure children sleep on mats or cots

**Correction Deadline: 3/6/2017**

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

**N/A**

**Comment**

No Swimming Activities Provided

### Children's Records

**Records Reviewed: 6**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 2**

Child # 5

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

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

Child # 6

Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

**290-2-3-.08 Children's Records****Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.08(1)(c) 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 day without such evidence. It was determined based on the consultant's review of children's records that the Home did not have such evidence for 2 of 6 enrolled 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: 3/6/2017****Recited on 3/6/2017****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**

Please ensure that outdoor play areas be kept clean and free of hazards such as exposed sharp corners of concrete or equipment, rust and splinters on equipment, broken glass, open drainage ditches, holes and stagnant water. On this date there was a sharp edge on the white little tikes slide and a black truck was missing the door.

**Correction Deadline: 3/16/2017****Health and Hygiene****290-2-3-.11 Diapering Areas & Practices(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

It was determined based on the consultant's observation that the provider met registration requirements in that the provider was caring for five children for pay on this date.

<b>Safety and Discipline</b>
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**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 the consultant's review that the home did not have current evidence of vaccinations on this date.

**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: 3/6/2017****290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR)****Met****Comment**

Pleasant Interactions Observed

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

Observed Kit Complete

**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

**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

<b>Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision</b>
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**Comment**

Observed-Adequate Supervision