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Date: 3/13/2017 **VisitType:** Licensing Study

Arrival: 9:20 AM

Departure: 10:35 AM

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Compliance Zone Designation

03/13/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
10/05/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
03/30/2016	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 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)	1	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	7	8	0	1	0
3 & 4 Years	0	2	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	1	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	8	12	0	1	0
Total Under 18 Years	8				

Children Present: 8

Total Children: 13

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3

Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2

More than 6 for pay

6 for pay present & no-pay present does not have a notarized no-pay statement

Comments

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a licensing on this date.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 03/13/2017

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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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.

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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.

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)

Cathy Bentley, Program Official

Date

LaQuita Clark, 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-.09 Activities

Met

Comment

Developmentally appropriate activities observed.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2017

290-2-3-.12 Equipment and Supplies(CR)

Met

Comment

Observed-Variety Of Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Consultant observed safety approved pack-n-plays on this date. Consultant discussed replacing loose sheet observed in unoccupied pack-n-play.

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

Comment

Observed-Records Complete/Well Organized

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

Met

Comment

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

Facility**290-2-3-.08 Physical Plant - Safe Environment****Met****Comment**

Current documentation of fire and tornado drill observed.

Correction Deadline: 4/12/2017

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

Observation-No Hazards Accessible. An operable fire extinguisher and smoke detector were observed.

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

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(a) requires 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. It was determined, based on the consultant's observation, that animal feces was observed on the deck on the route to the playground.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the health and safety of children, the Home Provider will check the playground and route for hazards.

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2017

Finding

290-2-3-.13(2)(b) requires that climbing and swinging equipment that are not portable be securely anchored to eliminate accidents or injuries and have a resilient surface beneath the equipment and the fall zone from such equipment which is adequately maintained by the Home to assure continuing resiliency. It was determined, based on the consultant's observation, that approximately one inch of mulch was observed beneath the swings on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will ensure that climbing and swinging equipment is securely anchored and that there is a resilient surface under and in the fall zone of the equipment. The Home will inspect equipment and resilient surfacing material regularly and repair or replenish as needed.

Correction Deadline: 3/23/2017

Health and Hygiene**290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)****Met****Comment**

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Provider stated that medication is not administered at this time.

Licensure

290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Provider was observed to have a valid license on file.

Correction Deadline: 3/18/2017**Finding**

290-2-3-.04(1)(d) requires a person that provides care for more than six children for pay, as defined in the rules, to make application to the Department for a license to operate as a Child Care Learning Center. It was determined, based on the consultant's observation, that the provider cared for seven unrelated children for pay under the age of three-years-old on this date.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home caring for more than six children shall reduce number of children in care to six. The Home will submit an application for a Child Care Learning Center and receive a license to operate from the Department before caring for more than six children for pay.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2017

Safety and Discipline

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

Observed-Discussion/Redirection. Provider stated appropriate use of discipline methods on this date.

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

No transportation.

Staff Records

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

Criminal Records Checks complete.

290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR**Met****Comment**

Current certification observed on file.

Correction Deadline: 4/12/2017

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**

Other direct contact staff- Satisfactory records check

290-2-3-.08 Staff Training**Met****Comment**

Complete documentation of training observed on file.

Correction Deadline: 3/13/2017

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

No Students-in-training

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

No Volunteers

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)	Met
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Comment

Appropriate Ratios Observed

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

Observed-Adequate Supervision