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Compliance Zone Designation		
03/22/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
09/13/2016	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
01/11/2016	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 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	2	2	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	1	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	3	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	3	7	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	3				

Children Present: 3

Total Children: 7


Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1

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Comments

Plan of Improvement: No Plan Developed

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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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)

Sara Gaines, Program Official

Date

Lisa Prather, 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

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)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.13(2)(c) requires that outside play areas be protected from traffic or other hazards by fencing or other barriers at least four feet in height and approved by the Department. Fencing material shall not present a hazard to children. A fence shall be provided around swimming pools to make them inaccessible when not in use. It was determined based on observation that the fence door is not sturdy and has small nails protruding out of the top and bottom area.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will enclose the outside play area(s) with a four-foot high fence or other Department-approved barrier and inspect regularly to ensure fencing material is safe and any hazards identified are repaired or replaced. The Home will install or repair a fence around swimming pools that makes them inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2017

Licensure

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

290-2-3-.04(2)(g) - Provider meets requirements and keep six children for pay and zero for no pay.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2017

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-.08 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.08(5) requires the Provider to maintain copies of satisfactory criminal records check determinations, or preliminary records check applications and (fingerprint) records check applications, if determinations are in the application process in the Home. It was determined based on a review of records that four of the people who visits or resides in the home did not have a satisfactory criminal record check on file for the consultant to review.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will secure the records check for anyone listed.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2017

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records Check(CR)**Met****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) **Not Met**

Finding

290-2-3-.07(14)(a) requires the Home to ensure that volunteers age seventeen (17) and older that provide consistent services have a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination. It was determined based on a review of staff records that one of the volunteers did not have a satisfactory criminal records check on file for the consultant to review.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will obtain required records checks and ensure that every volunteer, who is age seventeen (17) and older, and provides consistent services has a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination on file. Volunteers who are seventeen (17) and older and provide consistent services MUST have a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination to be at the Home when a Child is present for care.

Correction Deadline: 3/22/2017

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision