



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 4/13/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 10:55 AM **Departure:** 12:40 PM

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Compliance Zone Designation		
04/13/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
10/13/2016	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/02/2016	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)	2	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	2	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	2	2	0	2	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	3	0	2	0
Total Under 13 Years	6	9	0	4	0
Total Under 18 Years	6				

Children Present: 6

Total Children: 14

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3


Total Caregivers/Helpers: 4

Comments

The purpose of this visit is to conduct a monitoring visit and follow-up to the visit conducted on October 13, 2016.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/13/2017

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

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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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Regina Ellis, Program Official

Date

Jennifer Bailey, Consultant

Date



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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Monitoring Visit:

Activities and Equipment

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

Technical Assistance

Comment

Discussed-SIDS/Infant Sleeping Position

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.19(1)(a)3 - Discussed the sheets on the Pack 'N' Plays and ensuring that they are tight-fitting.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2017

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.19(2)(b) - Discussed objects in Pack 'N' Plays with the Provider on this date.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2017

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

N/A

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

290-2-3-.08 Children's Records

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

290-2-3-.08(4) - Discussed ensuring that a notarized no compensation form is on file for the Provider's new granddaughter. Consultant provided a copy of the form.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2017

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

Met

Comment

Parent Authorizations Obtained/Completed

290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)**Not Met****Comment**

Reminder-Keep Hazards Inaccessible

Finding

290-2-3-.11(2)(h) requires at least one UL Approved smoke detector to be on each floor of the Home and such detectors to be maintained in working order. At least one 2-A:10-B:C fire extinguisher shall be kept in the child care area to be located no more than thirty feet from the kitchen. The extinguisher shall be maintained in working order and shall be inaccessible to the children. It was determined based on observation that the fire extinguisher was observed to not be in working order in that it needed to be recharged.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The home provider will ensure that a working smoke detector is on each floor and a working fire extinguisher is available in the child care area as required, and is maintained inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2017**Comment**

Observed working smoke detector.

Correction Deadline: 4/23/2017

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 consultant observation that potential hazards existed as follows:

- an accumulation of vines were observed growing through and above the back fence
- a blue riding police car was cracked posing a potential pinching hazard and also had exposed screws which presented signs of rust
- several metal poles were observed present on the outdoor play area
- a concrete block from the water spout was observed to be disconnected and in the play area
- a red and black bicycle had broken wheels

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the health and safety of children, the home provider will remove broken toys from the play area, remove the vines, and make any corrections noted.

Correction Deadline: 4/27/2017**Recited on 4/13/2017**

290-2-3-.10 Kitchen Operations**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.10(10) makes the following requirements for the storage of garbage: 1) garbage must be stored in trash containers with lids; 2) containers must be emptied and cleaned as needed; 3) areas around the outside containers must be kept clean. It was determined based on observation that the Home did not meet requirements for storage of garbage in that the trash container did not have a lid.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the proper storage of garbage, the Home Provider will add a lid to the trash container.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2017

Licensure

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

Met

Comment

Consultant observed five unrelated children for pay, one related child for no pay, the Provider, and the Provider's helper and spouse present on this date. Discussed no compensation forms.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2017

Safety and Discipline

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Positive Learning Environment

Comment

Pleasant Interactions Observed

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

Met

Comment

Transportation requirements met on this date.

Staff Records

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

Not Met

Finding

290-2-3-.21(1)(e) requires every Employee hired before January 1, 2014 must have either a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check Determination or a satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determination on file. If the Employee has only a satisfactory Preliminary Records Check, the Employee must obtain a Fingerprint Records Check Determination before January 1, 2017. It was determined based on a review of Employee records that two residents of the home did not obtain a Fingerprint Records Check Determination before January 1, 2017 as required. The residents obtained the Fingerprint Records Check Determination in March 2017.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that every employee has a Satisfactory Determination as required by the Rules.

Correction Deadline: 4/13/2017

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

No additional staff

290-2-3-.07 Staff Training

Met

Correction Deadline: 12/31/2016

Corrected on 4/13/2017

.07(4) - Previous citation corrected on this date in that the Provider completed 2016 annual training.

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

Comment

No Students-in-training

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

Comment

No Volunteers

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision