

# Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, 670 East Tower Atlanta, GA 30334

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Date: 4/26/2018 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 8:35 AM Departure: 11:00 AM

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Quality Rated: \*

Compliance Zone Designation				
04/26/2018	Licensing Study	Good Standing		
11/16/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing		
05/31/2017	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 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	1	1	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	2	2	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	2	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	4	6	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	4				

Children Present: 4 Total Children: 6

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 1 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

### Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 04/26/2018

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).



Reminder: <u>All</u> employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <a href="www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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)





# **Important New Deadlines:**

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a> Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:gualityrated@decal.ga.gov">gualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

Mildred Buchanan, Program Official	Date	Dianne Clarke, 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)

Comment

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

Met

Met

Comment

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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

Met

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

# **Children's Records**

### **Records Reviewed: 6**

**Records with Missing/Incomplete Components: 3** 

Child #3 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2), Mom Work # Missing -(.08)(1), Dad Work # Missing -(.08)(1)

Child #4 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Infant Feeding Plan - (.10)(4)

Child #5 Not Met

"Missing/Incomplete Components"

Immunization Form - (.08)(2)

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

**Not Met** 

### **Finding**

290-2-3-.08(1) requires the Home to have a current and updated record for each Child in care and for a period of one (1) year after each Child leaves. Such records shall include: identifying information (Child's name, birth date, Parent's name, home and business addresses, telephone numbers); name, address and telephone number of persons, including Child's physician, to contact in emergencies; and name, address, telephone numbers, relationship to Child and to Parent(s) and other identifying information of person(s) to whom the Child may be released. It was determined based on a review of children's records that one child's was missing their mother's and father's work number.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will obtain the missing information and maintain the Children's records as required.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2018

Recited on 4/26/2018

Correction Deadline: 11/16/2017

### Corrected on 4/26/2018

.08(11) - The previous citation was observed to be corrected in that all children had liability forms on file.

Facility |

### 290-2-3-.11 Physical Plant - Safe Environment(CR)

Met

### Comment

Please be mindful to keep items that pose a hazard inaccessible to children.

### 290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)

**Not Met** 

### Finding

290-2-3-.13(1) requires that the Home be clean and free from hazards. It was determined based on observation that in the bathroom in an unlocked cabinet, hand soap, hand sanitizer and shaving cream were observed to be accessible. It was also determined that a mop was accessible in the bathroom. It was further determined that a stapler, potting soil, and plastic grocery bags were observed to be accessible in the kitchen.

### POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the cleanliness and safety of the environment, the Home Provider will make hazardous items inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2018

# 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 observation that two inflatable toys were observed on the playground and were cracking. It was also determined that a plastic trash bag was observed on the playground, a broken purple and white hoola hoop and broken pretend play vehicles.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will repair any and all identified outdoor hazards and will monitor playground daily or more often as needed to ensure that the Home's outdoor play area is kept clean and free of hazards.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2018

### Recited on 4/26/2018

# **Food Service**

### 290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition

**Not Met** 

### Finding

290-2-3-.10(4) requires that for the feeding of children under one year old the Home Provider must secure from Parents infant formula and a feeding plan. It was determined based on a review of records that there was no feeding plan for an infant enrolled.

# POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will ensure that infant formula and a feeding plan is secured for children under one year old.

Correction Deadline: 4/26/2018

# **Health and Hygiene**

### 290-2-3-.11 Children's Health and Hygiene(CR)

Met

### Comment

Proper handwashing procedures observed.

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff state proper knowledge of diapering procedures.

# 290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)

Met

### Comment

The provider stated that no medication was dispensed since the last visit.

Licensure

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

Met

#### Comment

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date.

# **Safety and Discipline**

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

Met

### Comment

Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed.

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

Met

### Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

Staff Records

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

Met

### Comment

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Director stated that there have been no new hires since last visit

#### Commen

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

# 290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)

Met

### Comment

Discussed staff qualifications and compliance with applicable laws and regulations.

# **Staff: Child Ratios and Supervision**

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

Met

### Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

### 290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR)

Met

### Comment

Adequate supervision observed on this date.