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Date: 6/7/2019 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 9:45 AM **Departure:** 12:30 PM

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Quality Rated: No

Compliance Zone Designation		
06/07/2019	Initial 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)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	0	0	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	0	0	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	4
Total Under 13 Years	0	0	0	0	4
Total Under 18 Years	0				

Children Present: 0 Total Children: 4

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

Comments
The Family Child Care Learning Home was granted Permission to Operate this date. No children 13 years of age or younger, were present or enrolled on the date of the visit.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 06/07/2019

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).

Please refer to the website, http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx , for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at http://www.decal.ga.gov/ or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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)

QUALITY RATED CHILD CARE

CAPS CHILDCARE AND PARENT SERVICES

Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

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

Myia Hart, Program Official Date

Neli Todorova, Consultant Date

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Comment
Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

Comment
On this date, Consultant observed one (1) of one (1) Play yard, used for sleeping and resting, to meet Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials International (ASTM) safety standards. Consultant also discussed all Infant Safe Sleeping and Resting requirements with Provider, prior to the visit and on this date. Further, Consultant observed the correct number of mats and discussed mat disinfecting requirements with Provider on this date.The provider currently has mats that are less than two-inch thick and will double them up until able to purchase new mats.

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

Comment
On this date, the Provider stated that the program will not participate in Swimming activities. Consultant discussed Swimming requirements with the Provider, prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also stated to the Provider that prior to participating in Swimming activities, in water two (2) feet in depth or greater, the Home is required to contact the assigned Bright from the Start: Regional Consultant, to discuss and review Swimming Rules.

Comment
There is no pool on the property

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.

Comment
An operable and appropriately sized fire extinguisher was observed in the home this date.

Comment
Operable smoke detector(s) were observed as required in the home this date.

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

Comment
The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

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

Finding
290-2-3-.13(2)(d) 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 consultant's observation and measurements that there was an eight inch gap between the fence and the house wall, and a four-inch gap at the bottom of the fence gate. Additionally, it was determined that the gaps between the front porch railing measured between six and eight inches and were posing an entrapment hazard.

POI (Plan of Improvement)
The Home will enclose cover the gaps with mesh, wood or other approved material.

Correction Deadline: 6/21/2019

Comment
Supervision plan for safe route to the playground was created on this date.

Comment
There is no pool on the property

Food Service

290-2-3-.10 Food Service & Nutrition **Met**

Comment
CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk
5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk
2 of 5 Components for snack

Provided Updated CACFP Infant Meal pattern and Child/Adult Meal pattern flyers.

The Crediting Handbook for the CACFP can be located on DECAL and USDA's website:
DECAL
http://decal.ga.gov/CACFP/Handbook.aspx
USDA
http://www.fns.usda.gov/cacfp/cacfp-handbooks

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment
There were no children enrolled on this date. Proper hand washing of children and staff was discussed with the provider on this date.

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

Comment
Consultant discussed Diapering requirements with the Provider, prior to the visit and on this date. Additionally, Consultant observed proper diapering facilities; non - porous surface and sink with warm running water.

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

Comment
No children were enrolled in the program on this date. The provider stated and it is reflected in the policies and procedures, that the home will not administer medication. Emergency medication procedures discussed.

Licensure

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

Comment
Application requirements reviewed with the Provider on this date. The provider was approved to care for two additional children ages three and older for two hours.

Safety and Discipline

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

Comment
There were no children enrolled on this date. Consultant observed the Home discipline policy and discussed regulations regarding proper discipline with the Provider, prior to the visit and on this date.

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

Comment
Complete first aid kit observed in the Family Child Care Learning Home

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

Comment
No children were enrolled in the program on this date. The Provider stated that the program will not provide Transportation and/or Field Trips, upon enrollment of children. Prior to the visit and on this date, Consultant discussed all Transportation and Field Trip requirements with the Provider, regarding two (2) hour Transportation Training, CPR - First - Aid, proper Transportation/Field Trip documentation, vehicle and safety restraint requirements, regulations regarding walking field trips, checklists, name tags and parental permission forms.

Staff Records

290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) **Met**

Comment
Comprehensive criminal records checks were observed to be complete for the provider and spouse. The provider reported no other resident 17 years of age or older at the home. The provider provided a notarized statement that one resident of the home without a Satisfactory Background clearance on file, was no longer residing at the home when the License was issued.

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

Comment
Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR.

290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR) **Met**

Comment
Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

Comment
The provider has submitted a variance for the education credential. The provider has six (6) months from today's date to enroll in an approved program of study. The provider will also create their written Professional Learning Plan within six (6) months from today's date. The plan will be reviewed by a consultant at their next visit.

290-2-3-.07 Staff Training **Met**

Comment
Discussed: Health and Safety Training is required for each Staff member with direct care responsibilities within 90 calendar days of their hire date.

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Comment
There were no children enrolled on this date. Consultant discussed proper Staff: child ratios with the Provider, prior to the visit and on this date.Consultant discussed to that an assistant, who must be at least sixteen (16) years of age, must be present to assist with supervision whenever more than three (3) children under the age of twelve (12) months are present, more than six (6) children under the age of three (3) years are present or more than eight (8) children under the age of five (5) years are present.

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

Comment
Consultant discussed proper supervision and watchful oversight, with the Provider, prior to the visit and on this date. Consultant also obtained a signed and dated written Supervision Plan for safe route to the playground.