



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 7/19/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 9:55 AM **Departure:** 12:15 PM

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Compliance Zone Designation		
07/19/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
04/18/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
11/21/2016	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)	1	2	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	2	4	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	2	3	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	5	9	0	0	0
Total Under 18 Years	5				

Children Present: 5

Total Children: 9

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2

Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

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)

Latrinka Barnes, Program Official

Date

Lisa Prather, 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-.12 Equipment and Supplies(CR) **Met**

Comment

Observed-Variety Of Equipment

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

Comment

Not caring for infants

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

Comment

Per the Provider. "No Swimming Activities Provided."

Facility

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

Finding

290-2-3-.11(2)(f) requires that poisons, medicines, cleaning agents and other hazardous materials be in locked areas or inaccessible to children. It was determined based on observation that outside, in an unlock storage, the consultant observed a lawn mower, Gasoline can, bug killer, liter fluid, and a rake.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

To ensure the safe storage of hazardous items, the Home Provider will make these items inaccessible to the children.

Correction Deadline: 7/19/2017

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 observation that the play area was un clean in that a water hose and a bowl with over an inch of water out accessible to the children in care.

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: 7/29/2017**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 observation that the fence on the back right of the play area, has four small rusted screws protruding out at the bottom.

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: 7/19/2017

Health and Hygiene

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

290-2-3-.11(1)(j) The consultant and provider discussed that personnel shall wash their hands with liquid soap and warm running water: immediately before and after each diaper change;

Correction Deadline: 7/19/2017

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

290-2-3-.11(1)(f) - Discussed- diapering steps on this date.

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

290-2-3-.11(1)(d) - Per the Provider. "The home does not administer medication at this time."

Licensure

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

Appropriate number of children

Safety and Discipline

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

Pleasant Interactions Observed

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

Per the Provider. "No Routine Transportation Provided."

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 staff records that the providers daughter, who resides in the home, did not have a local criminal records checks or a Satisfactory letter determination on file for the consultant to review.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 7/19/2017

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

Staff qualifications/compliance with law

Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision

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

Appropriate Ratios Observed

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

Observed-Adequate Supervision