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Departure: 6:10 PM

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Compliance Zone Designation

07/28/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
03/01/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
09/08/2016	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)	0	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	7	4	0	3	0
3 & 4 Years	1	0	0	1	0
School Age(5+) Years	1	1	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	9	5	0	4	0
Total Under 18 Years	9				

Children Present: 9

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Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2

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Comments

One day letter left.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 07/28/2017

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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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.

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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.

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)

Janice Powell, Program Official

Date

Stephen Knighton, 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)

Met

Comment

Discussed-Add Toys to Enhance Learning Environment

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 3/1/2017

Corrected on 7/28/2017

.19(4) - Previous citation has been corrected in that the provider currently stores the mats in one storage back without bedding, no longer posing a potential hazard to children in care.

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

Met

Comment

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 potentially hazardous materials were not kept out of the reach of children in that cough syrup and other prescription medications were observed to be within the children's reach throughout the home. Consultant also observed cleaning agents, aerosols, and insect spray to be within the children's reach in the dining room next to the kitchen.

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: 7/28/2017

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 by observation that the fire extinguisher was in the hall next to the play room on the floor. It was further determined that there was no working smoke detector in the home.

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. Consultant left a brand new smoke detector with the provider.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017

Recited on 7/28/2017

290-2-3-.13 Physical Plant-Structural/Mechanical(CR)**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.13(1)(e) prohibits the use of multiple plugs and electric extension cords. Electrical outlets within reach of children shall be plugged or covered. It was determined based on observation that five outlets within the children's reach were left uncovered presenting a potential hazard to children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will not use multiple plugs and electric extension cords and will check regularly to ensure electrical outlets are plugged or covered.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017

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 not kept clean and free of hazards. It was further determined that that a broken dust pan was located on the table near the back door.

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: 8/11/2017

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 and consultants measurements, that there was an 11 inch gap on the bottom of the left fence of the outdoor play area presenting a potential hazard to children in care.

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: 8/4/2017

Health and Hygiene

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

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Observed-Proper Diapering

290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)	Not Met
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Finding

290-2-3-.11(1)(d) prohibits Personnel from dispensing prescription or nonprescription medications to a Child without specific written authorization from the Child's physician or Parent. All medications shall be stored as authorized by Georgia law or in accordance with the prescription or label instructions and kept in places that are inaccessible to children. Each dose of medication given to a Child shall be documented showing the Child's name, name of medication, date and time given, and the name of the person giving the medication. It was determined based on observation that cough syrup was found in one child's backpack and other prescription medications were observed to be within the reach of children in care.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will obtain written authorization before giving medicine to a Child; will document each time medicine is administered to a child; will store medicine as required in an area that is locked or not accessible to children; and will store medicine that must be refrigerated in a leak-proof container that is inaccessible to children.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017

Licensure

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

290-2-3-.04(1)(d) - The provider cared for five unrelated children for pay and four unrelated children for no pay on this date.

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017

Safety and Discipline

290-2-3-.11 Animals	Met
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Comment

Appropriate Vaccination Records

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

Pleasant Interactions Observed

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

Reminder-Replace/Add Item

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

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 by review of files that the provider and one resident of the home did not have a fingerprint determination letter or application on file as required.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

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

Correction Deadline: 7/28/2017**Recited on 7/28/2017**

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

Observed-Provider Certified First Aid & CPR

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

Staff qualifications/compliance with law

290-2-3-.07 Staff Training**Not Met****Finding**

290-2-3-.07(6) requires the Home to maintain for the Provider and any Provisional Employee or Employee, current evidence of successful completion of ten (10) clock hours of diverse training which is related to the care of children and which is offered by an accredited college, university or vocational program or other Department approved source annually. The annual ten (10) clock hours of training shall be chosen from the following fields: child development, including discipline, guidance, nutrition, injury control and safety; health, including sanitation, disease control, cleanliness, detection and disposition of illness; child abuse and neglect, including identification and reporting, and meeting the needs of abused and/or neglected children; and business related topics, including parental communication, recordkeeping, etc.; provided however that such business related training shall be limited to no more than two (2) of the required ten (10) clock hours of training. Records of completion of such training programs shall be maintained in the Home by the Provider, as required by these rules. It was determined based on a review of records that the provider only obtained eight of the ten required hours of annual training.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home will obtain the required annual training and will keep certificates, cards, or other proof of training on file. The Home will submit proof of training to the Department, if requested.

Correction Deadline: 8/27/2017

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