

# 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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Compliance Zone Designation					
08/01/2017	Licensing Study	Support			
01/05/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing			
08/12/2016	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)	1	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	2	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	4	2	0	2	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	0	0	0	0
Total Under 13 Years	7	6	0	2	0
Total Under 18 Years	7				

Children Present: 7 Total Children: 8

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

#### Comments

Plan of Improvement: To Be Submitted 08/15/2017

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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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.

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- 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.

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)

Vera Price, Program Official	Date	Melyn Smith, 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

**Observed-Variety Of Equipment** 

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

**Not Met** 

#### **Finding**

Previously Cited: 290-2-3-.19(2)(b) requires that staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items. It was determined, based on observation, that two children were observed asleep in pack-n-plays with blankets. It was further determined that one one-year-old child was observed to be wearing a bib while sleeping in a crib and an infant was observed to have a pacifier strap attached while sleeping in a pack-n-play.

290-2-3-.19(2) requires that a Family Child Care Learning Home shall provide a safe sleep environment in accordance with American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) recommendations as listed in these rules for all infants and one-year-old children when placed for sleep in a safety approved crib or in any other type of equipment approved for infant sleep. Staff shall place an infant to sleep on the infant's back unless the Parent has provided a physician's written statement authorizing another sleep position for that particular infant that includes how the infant shall be placed to sleep and a time frame that the instructions are to be followed. When an infant can easily turn over from back to front and back again, Staff shall continue to put the infant to sleep initially on the infant's back, but allow the infant to roll over into his or her preferred positions and not re-position. the infant. Sleepers, sleep sacks and wearable blankets that fit according to the commercial manufacturer's guidelines and will not slide up around the infant's face may be used when necessary for the comfort of the sleeping infant, however swaddling shall not be used unless the Home has been provided a physician's written statement authorizing its use for a particular infant that includes instructions and a time frame for swaddling the infant. Staff shall not place objects or allow objects to be placed in or on the crib with an infant such as but not limited to toys, pillows, quilts, comforters, bumper pads, sheepskins, stuffed toys, or other soft items and shall not attach objects or allow objects to be attached to a crib with a sleeping infant such as but not limited to crib gyms, toys, mirrors and mobiles. It was determined, based on observation, that one infant and two one-yearold children were observed in pack-n-plays with blankets on this date. It was further determined that one infant was observed in the pack-n-play with a pacifier with a strap attached on this date.

Recited on 8/1/2017  290-2-307 Swimming Pools & Water-related Activities(CR)  Comment No Swimming Activities Provided	Me
Recited on 8/1/2017	Me
Correction Deadline: 8/2/2017	
Correction Deadline: 8/2/2017	

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 1/12/2017

#### Corrected on 8/1/2017

.08(1) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that the Home had a file with all required information for each child enrolled on this date.

**Facility** 

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

**Technical Assistance** 

#### **Technical Assistance**

290-2-3-.11(2)(a) - Consultant discussed with the provider updating the Home's written plan for handling emergencies, including but not limited to fire, severe weather, loss of electrical power or water, and death, serious injury or loss of a child, a threatening event, or natural disaster which may occur at the Home on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/11/2017

#### Comment

Observation-No Hazards Accessible

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

Met

#### Comment

Home Clean, Free of Hazards

#### 290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Outside Area Clean, Well Maintained

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Met

#### Comment

**Provider Stated Appropriate Diapering** 

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

Met

#### Comment

The provider stated that medication is not dispensed at this time.

Licensure

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

Met

#### Comment

290-2-3-.04(1)(d) - The provider was observed to provide care for five unrelated children for pay and two related children for no pay on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/1/2017

# **Safety and Discipline**

290-2-3-.11 Animals Met

## Comment

Appropriate Vaccination Records

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

Comment
Pleasant Interactions Observed

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

Met

Comment
No Routine Transportation Provided

Staff Records

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

Met

## Comment

Criminal Records Check complete

Correction Deadline: 1/6/2017

#### Corrected on 8/1/2017

.21(1)(e) - Previous citation corrected, based on review of records, in that all employees were observed to have satisfactory Fingerprint Records Check Determinations on file on this date.

## 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-Direct Supervision/Attention To Needs