



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/7/2017 **VisitType:** Monitoring Visit **Arrival:** 1:20 PM **Departure:** 2:25 PM

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Compliance Zone Designation		
08/07/2017	Monitoring Visit	Good Standing
04/11/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
10/17/2016	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)	0	1	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	2	8	0	1	0
3 & 4 Years	1	3	0	0	0
School Age(5+) Years	0	3	0	2	0
Total Under 13 Years	3	15	0	2	0
Total Under 18 Years	3				

Children Present: 3

Total Children: 18

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2

Total Caregivers/Helpers: 2

Comments

The purpose of today's visit is a monitoring visit. This is the first visit of the fiscal year. the center does not carry liability insurance.

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)

Pamela Stokes, Program Official

Date

Beth Houtz, 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

Observed-Pleasant Naptime Environment

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

Comment

No Swimming Activities Provided

Children's Records

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

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2017

Corrected on 8/7/2017

This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Enrollement forms were observed to be filled out completely with all required information for all children in care.

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2017

Corrected on 8/7/2017

This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. Current Immunizations forms were observed for all children in care.

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2017

Corrected on 8/7/2017

This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. signature pages for the No Liability Insurance acknowledgement were observed in the children's records.

Facility

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

Technical Assistance

Technical Assistance

The power cord from the A.C. unit was observed to be loose. The provider will secure it to the wall.

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2017

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 one of the hooks holding the chain of a swing was not fully closed. Also, the blue infant swing attached to a toddler play structure and slide was cracked and split on the bottom of the seat presenting a pinching and entrapment hazard to 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: 8/17/2017

Technical Assistance

The double gate on the right hand side of the playground is leaning away from the post causing a gap between the post and the fence. The provider will have the gate repaired so it does not have a gap.

Correction Deadline: 8/7/2017

Food Service

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2017

Corrected on 8/7/2017

This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. No infants in care.

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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

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Met

Comment

Provider stated that no medications are currently dispensed.

Licensure

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

Met

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2017

Corrected on 8/7/2017

This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The provider had three children for pay in care.

Safety and Discipline

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

Met

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

Correction Deadline: 4/11/2017

Corrected on 8/7/2017

This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. All adults in the home had a satisfactory records check determination letter.

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

Correction Deadline: 4/21/2017

Corrected on 8/7/2017

This citation was observed to be corrected on this date. The provider had a one:three ratio.

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

Met

Comment

Observed-Adequate Supervision