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Compliance Zone Designation		
08/10/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
04/10/2017	Licensing Study	Good Standing
07/18/2016	Monitoring Visit	Support

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	0	0	0	0
1 & 2 Years	3	3	0	0	0
3 & 4 Years	3	2	0	0	1
School Age(5+) Years	2	1	0	0	2
Total Under 13 Years	9	6	0	0	3
Total Under 18 Years	9				

Children Present: 9

Total Children: 11

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 3

Total Caregivers/Helpers: 10

Comments

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/10/2017

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.

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)

Rachel Searcy, Program Official

Date

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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

Comment

Discussed with the provider regarding SIDS and no items in the pack and play with the children.

Finding

290-2-3-.19(1)b)3 requires that sheets or similar coverings for cots or mats shall either be marked for individual use or laundered daily. If individually marked, they must be laundered weekly or more frequently if needed. It was determined based on observation that three children sleeping on cots did not have a sheet or blanket during nap time.

POI (Plan of Improvement)

The Home Provider will launder sheets for cots or mats as required.

Correction Deadline: 8/10/2017

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 a bottle of hand sanitizer and Vaseline was observed on a low table and accessible to the children in care.

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: 8/10/2017

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 there was an unraveled hose on the right side of the playground upon exiting.

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: 8/20/2017

Health and Hygiene

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

Comment

Observed-Proper Handwashing

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

Comment

Staff Stated Proper Knowledge

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

Comment

The provider stated that no medication is dispensed at the facility.

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

Observed-Discussion/Redirection

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

Comment

No new hires

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