



**Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning  
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**Date:** 8/10/2018    **VisitType:** Licensing Study    **Arrival:** 12:20 PM    **Departure:** 2:25 PM

**FR-000012502**

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**Quality Rated:** No

| <b>Compliance Zone Designation</b> |                  |               |
|------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|
| 08/10/2018                         | Licensing Study  | Good Standing |
| 06/19/2018                         | Licensing Study  | Good Standing |
| 11/02/2017                         | 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)           | 1                | 1             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |
| 1 & 2 Years                 | 5                | 4             | 0    | 1           | 0                 |
| 3 & 4 Years                 | 1                | 1             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |
| School Age(5+) Years        | 0                | 0             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |
| <b>Total Under 13 Years</b> | 7                | 6             | 0    | 1           | 0                 |
| <b>Total Under 18 Years</b> | 7                |               |      |             |                   |

Children Present: 7

Total Children: 7

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2

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**Comments**

The purpose of the visit was to conduct a licensing visit and to follow-up on the previous visit on June 19, 2018.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/10/2018

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).

**Reminder:** All employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit [www.decalkoala.com](http://www.decalkoala.com). You are encouraged not to wait and to complete the process as soon as possible.

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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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@decals.ga.gov](mailto:CCSRefutations@decals.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://decals.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.

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**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)



**Important New Deadlines:**

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS). Sign up for Quality Rated by June 30, 2018 in order to be eligible to receive a bonus package.

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decals.ga.gov/>  
Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or [qualityrated@decals.ga.gov](mailto:qualityrated@decals.ga.gov)

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Linda Fonseca, Program Official

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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**

A variety of equipment and toys were observed.

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

**Met**

**Comment**

Pleasant naptime environment observed.

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

**N/A**

**Comment**

Home does not provide swimming activities.

### Children's Records

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

**Technical Assistance**

**Technical Assistance**

The consultant discussed the required documentation for children's files.

### Facility

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

**Met**

**Correction Deadline: 7/19/2018**

**Corrected on 8/10/2018**

**.11(2)(c) - The consultant observed the required emergency drills since that last visit.**

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

**Comment**

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

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**290-2-3-.13 Playgrounds(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

The outside area appears clean and well maintained.

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**Health and Hygiene**

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

**Technical Assistance**

The consultant discussed proper hand washing practices.

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

**Technical Assistance**

The consultant discussed proper diapering practices with the provider on this date.

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**290-2-3-.11 Medications(CR)** **N/A**

**Comment**

The provider stated that medications have not been administered since the last visit.

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**Licensure**

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

**Comment**

The provider had six children for pay and one child not for pay on this date.

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**Safety and Discipline**

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**290-2-3-.11 Animals** **N/A**

**Comment**

The Family Child Care Learning Home does not keep animals on premises.

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

**Comment**

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care.

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

**Comment**

Complete first aid kit observed in the Family Child Care Learning Home

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**290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR)** **N/A**

**Comment**

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

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**Staff Records**

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

**Comment**

Consultant requested to view all Criminal Record checks for employees hired after last visit. Provider stated that there have been no new hires since last visit. Criminal record checks were observed to be complete.

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

**Comment**

Evidence observed that the provider was certified in First Aid and CPR.

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

**Comment**

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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**290-2-3-.07 Staff Training** **Met**

**Comment**

The consultant observed annual training for 2018 and the required health and safety training documentation.

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| <b>Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision</b> |
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**290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)** **Met**

**Comment**

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

**Comment**

Adequate supervision observed on this date.