

# 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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Date: 8/14/2018 VisitType: Licensing Study Arrival: 11:10 AM Departure: 12:30 PM

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Quality Rated: No

| Compliance Zone Designation |                  |               |  |  |  |
|-----------------------------|------------------|---------------|--|--|--|
| 08/14/2018                  | Licensing Study  | Good Standing |  |  |  |
| 01/04/2018                  | Licensing Study  | Good Standing |  |  |  |
| 08/31/2017                  | 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.

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Support - Program

- Program performance is demonstrating a need for improvement in meeting

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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          | 0                | 0             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |
| 3 & 4 Years          | 1                | 1             | 0    | 0           | 0                 |
| School Age(5+) Years | 0                | 6             | 0    | 1           | 3                 |
| Total Under 13 Years | 1                | 7             | 0    | 1           | 2                 |
| Total Under 18 Years | 1                |               |      |             |                   |

Children Present: 1 Total Children: 11

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 2 Total Caregivers/Helpers: 3

## Comments

The purpose of this visit was to conduct a licensing study. The consultant discussed with the provider to ensure that the comprehensive background check process is completed by October 1, 2018.

Plan of Improvement: Developed This Date 08/14/2018

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: <u>All</u> employees of child care programs must be fingerprinted before **January 1, 2017**. For instructions and to submit records check applications online, please visit <a href="www.decalkoala.com">www.decalkoala.com</a>. 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.

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: <a href="http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx">http://decal.ga.gov/ChildCareServices/RefutationInformation.aspx</a>

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)





# **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: <a href="https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/">https://qualityrated.decal.ga.gov/</a> Request free technical assistance to help you earn your star rating by contacting the Quality Rated help desk at 855-800-7747 or <a href="mailto:gualityrated@decal.ga.gov">gualityrated@decal.ga.gov</a>

| Augustine Awuah Program Official | Date | LaQuita Clark 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-.09 Activities Met

Comment

The provider was observed to offer developmentally appropriate activities.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2018

Met 290-2-3-.12 Equipment and Supplies(CR)

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable.

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

Met

Comment

Currently the provider is not caring for infants. (This rule was not evaluated on this date)

Please ensure a cot or mat is provided for each child for rest time.

Correction Deadline: 8/24/2018

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

Met

Comment

Home does not provide swimming activities.

**Children's Records** 

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

Met

## Comment

Records were observed to be complete and well organized.

**Facility** 

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

Met

#### Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date. An operable fire extinguisher and smoke detector were observed. Complete documentation of drills and an emergency plan observed on file. The consultant provided an updated copy of the emergency drill log to incorporate lock down drills.

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

Met

#### Comment

The Home appears clean and free from hazards.

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

Met

#### Comment

The outside area appears clean and well maintained. Consultant discussed with the provider to please ensure that the trampoline is not used until the netting is replaced.

**Food Service** 

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

Met

#### Comment

CACFP Meal Pattern Requirements effective October 1, 2017 will be implemented October 1, 2018: 3 Components for breakfast: Grains, Vegetables, Fruits or both, Milk

5 Components for lunch – Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, Fruits, Vegetable, and Milk OR Grains, Meat/Meat alternates, 2 different types of vegetables, and Milk

2 of 5 Components for snack

The provider was observed to have a current menu for the week on file.

# **Health and Hygiene**

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

Met

#### Commen

The provider stated appropriate handwashing procedures.

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

Met

#### Comment

There are no diapered children currently enrolled in the program.

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

Met

#### Comment

The director stated that medication is not administered within the home.

Licensure

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

Met

#### Comment

Appropriate number of children observed in Family Child Care Learning Home this date. The provider was observed to have a current 2018 license. The provider cared for one unrelated child for compensation on this date.

# **Safety and Discipline**

290-2-3-.11 Animals Met

#### Comment

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

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

Met

#### Comment

Pleasant interactions observed between the provider and children in care. The provider stated use of redirection as the form of discipline.

290-2-3-.11 First Aid Kit

#### Comment

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

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

Met

#### Comment

The provider does not provide routine transportation.

# Staff Records

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

Met

#### Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete. The provider stated that there have been no new hires since the previous visit. The consultant discussed with the provider that he must obtain the comprehensive background check by October 1, 2018.

# 290-2-3-.07 First Aid & CPR

Met

### Comment

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

# 290-2-3-.07 Staff Qualifications(CR)

Met

#### Comment

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

# 290-2-3-.07 Staff Training

Met

#### Comment

Annual training requirement and documentation observed.

# **Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision**

# 290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR)

Met

# Comment

Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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

**Not Met** 

# **Finding**

290-2-3-.07(13) requires at least one Adult to supervise Children at all times and requires plans to be made to obtain additional adult help in cases of emergencies. It was determined, based on observation, that a staff member stepped outside of the home, leaving one child inside the home without adult supervision on this date.

Correction Deadline: 8/14/2018