



Bright from the Start Georgia Department of Early Care and Learning
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Date: 8/15/2019 **VisitType:** Initial Licensing Study **Arrival:** 10:00 AM **Departure:** 1:00 PM

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Quality Rated: No

| Compliance Zone Designation | | | 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. |
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| 08/15/2019 | Initial Licensing Study | Good Standing | |
| | | | 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 |
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| Infant (0-11 mos) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1 & 2 Years | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 & 4 Years | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| School Age(5+) Years | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Under 13 Years | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total Under 18 Years | 2 | | | | |

Children Present: 2

Total Children: 2

Caregivers/Helpers Present: 5

Total Caregivers/Helpers: 1

Comments

Permission to operate was given this date. The program had a posting stating that they do not have childcare 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).



Please refer to the website, <http://www.decal.ga.gov/CCS/RulesAndRegulations.aspx>, for information regarding October 1, 2018 rule changes about Criminal Records Checks that may affect your facility. In summary,

- New records checks will be required to be completed if a staff member experiences a six month break in service from the child care industry
- New clearance is required at least once every five years
- Any staff member solely responsible for supervising children will be required to have completed a comprehensive background clearance
- All staff members are required to have completed at least a national fingerprint based clearance check
- Any staff member with only the national fingerprint based clearance, must be under constant and direct supervision of a staff member with a satisfactory comprehensive records check clearance
- Facilities are required to use DECAL KOALA for Criminal Records Checks, including to verify portability of an employee

You have received permission to operate and the form received with this report is intended to serve as a temporary license which is **valid for thirty(30) days**. Your actual license/ will be emailed to you upon receipt of the licensing fee. You may pay the licensing fee either online at <http://www.decal.ga.gov/> or by certified check or money order mailed to: Bright from the Start, 2 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive SE, Suite 670 East Tower, Atlanta, GA 30334

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)



Important New Deadlines:

Your program must be Quality Rated by December 31, 2020 in order to continue to receive Childcare and Parent Services (CAPS).

Get started today! Sign up by completing a short online application: <https://qualityrated.decal.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@decal.ga.gov

Denise Julius, Program Official

Date

Brianne Walters, Consultant

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Findings Report

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The following information is associated with a Initial Licensing Study:

Activities and Equipment

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

Met

Comment

Equipment and furniture observed to be properly secured, as applicable. A variety of age appropriate materials and toys were observed.

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

Met

Comment

Currently the provider is not caring for infants. Only children age 2-4 years are enrolled.

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

Met

Comment

There was no pool on the property.

Facility

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

Met

Comment

No hazards observed accessible to children on this date. An appropriate fire extinguisher and smoke detector were observed.

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

Met

Comment

The Home appeared clean and free from hazards.

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

Met

Comment

The outside area appears clean and well maintained.

Health and Hygiene

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

Proper hand washing observed throughout the Home.

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

Discussed diapering rules and regulations with the provider.

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

Discussed proper medication documentation and procedures.

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| Licensure |
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| 290-2-3-.04 Application Requirements(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Application requirements reviewed with the Provider on this date. Two children were currently enrolled.

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| Safety and Discipline |
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| 290-2-3-.11 Discipline(CR) | Met |
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Age-appropriate discussion and/or redirection observed. Positive discussions and communication observed during the visit.

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| 290-2-3-.11 Transportation(CR) | Met |
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The provider does not provide routine transportation.

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| Staff Records |
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| 290-2-3-.21 Criminal Records and Comprehensive Background Checks(CR) | Met |
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Comment

Criminal records checks were observed to be complete.

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

Staff observed to be compliant with applicable laws and regulations.

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| Staff:Child Ratios and Supervision |
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| 290-2-3-.07 Staff:Child Ratios(CR) | Met |
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Appropriate ratios were observed on this date.

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| 290-2-3-.07 Supervision(CR) | Met |
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Comment

The provider was observed directly supervising and being attentive to the needs of the children.